

Republic of Panama
Superintendency of Banks of Panama

RESOLUTION SBP-2023-00768

25th January 2023

THE ACTING SUPERINTENDENT OF BANKS,
In exercise of her legal powers, and

WHEREAS:

BI-BANK, S.A. is a bank organized and existing according to the laws of the Republic of Panama. It is authorized to conduct banking operations in and from Panama under a General Banking License granted by the Superintendency of Banks of Panama through Resolution SBP-0137-2015, dated 1st September 2015.

Law 179 of 2020, which regulates the real estate financial leasing, governed by Executive Decree 8, dated 31st May 2022, establishes that banks, trust companies, and legal entities authorized by the Superintendency of Banks of Panama may engage in the real estate financial leasing business. The law also stipulates that the Superintendency of Banks of Panama will establish a registry to monitor and control the entities authorized to engage in the real estate financial leasing business.

Through Rule 10-2022, dated 16th August 2022, the Superintendency established the basic criteria for the authorization and registration of legal entities engaging in the real estate financial leasing business in the Republic of Panama.

Article 5 of Rule 10-2022 stipulates that state-owned banks, general license banks, and trust companies holding a banking or trust license, respectively, intending to engage in the real estate financial leasing business, must notify the Superintendency of Banks in advance of providing this service.

BI-BANK, S.A. has informed the Superintendency of its intention to engage in the real estate financial leasing business in accordance with the provisions of Rule 10-2022.

After the relevant analyses, the submitted request raised no objections.

Pursuant to Article 16(I)(27) of the Banking Law, the Superintendent of Banks is the approving authority for this request.

By means of Resolution SBP-JD-0002-2023 dated tenth (10th) January of two thousand twenty-three (2023), Ms. **NAHILA MELGAR** was appointed as Interim Superintendent from the twenty-third (23) to the twenty-sixth (26) of January of the year two thousand twenty-three (2023), or until the incumbent Superintendent returns to his duties.

RESOLVES:

SOLE ARTICLE: To Register **BI-BANK, S.A.** as a bank entity that, in addition to engaging in the banking business, will also participate in the real estate financial leasing business in Panama, in accordance with the current legislation.

LEGAL GROUNDS: Law 179 of 2020, governed by Executive Decree 8, dated 31st May 2022; Banking Law; and Rule 10-2022, dated 16th August 2022.

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Given in Panama City this twenty-fifth (25th) day of January, of the year two thousand twenty-three (2023).

FOR COMMUNICATION, PUBLICATION, AND ENFORCEMENT.

THE ACTING SUPERINTENDENT OF BANKS,

(signed)
Nahíla Melgar



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