## In case of discrepancies between the French and the English text, the French text shall prevail

Luxembourg, 22 May 2006

To all persons and undertakings under the supervision of the CSSF

## CIRCULAR CSSF 06/244

**Re**: restrictive measures against President Lukashenko and certain officials of Belarus

Ladies and Gentlemen,

We are pleased to inform you of the publication of Council Regulation (EC) No 765/2006 of 18 May 2006 concerning restrictive measures against President Lukashenko and certain officials of Belarus.

We draw you attention in particular to article 2 of this Regulation which provides for the freezing of funds and economic resources belonging to President Lukashenko and to certain other officials of Belarus and whose names are listed in Annexe I to this Regulation.

Articles 3 and 4 of this Regulation provide for derogations from the freezing of funds and economic resources as laid down in article 2.

Regulation (EC) No 765/2006 is binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States. It entered into force on the day of its publication in the Official Journal of the European Union No L 134, pages 1-11, of 20 May 2006.

According to article 5 of the Regulation, please supply immediately any relevant information relating to the Regulation to the Commission de Surveillance du Secteur Financier, which will forward the information to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Immigration, Division of International Economic Relations, as well as to the Ministry of Finance.

Yours faithfully,

COMMISSION DE SURVEILLANCE DU SECTEUR FINANCIER