COMMISSION de SURVEILLANCE du SECTEUR FINANCIER

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

Luxembourg, 23 March 2009

To all persons and undertakings under the supervision of the CSSF

CIRCULAR CSSF 09/396

Re: restrictive measures against the Democratic Republic of the Congo

Ladies and Gentlemen,

We are pleased to inform you of the publication of Commission Regulation (EC) No 242/2009 of 20 March 2009 amending Council Regulation (EC) No 1183/2005 imposing certain specific restrictive measures directed against persons acting in violation of the arms embargo with regard to the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

This new Regulation provides for the replacement of Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 1183/2005, which lists the natural and legal persons, groups and entities to whom the freezing of funds and economic resources should apply.

The Regulation was published in the <u>Official Journal of the European Union No L 75</u>, pages 8-10 of 21 March 2009 and entered into force on the day of its publication.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Please report immediately any relevant information relating to this 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.

We would also like to point out the notice of the European Commission, published in the Official Journal of the European Union No C 68, pages 43-44 on 21 March 2009, for the attention of the persons and entities added to the above-mentioned list by virtue of Regulation (EC) No 242/2009.

Yours faithfully,

COMMISSION DE SURVEILLANCE DU SECTEUR FINANCIER

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