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## Mr. Dian Ediana Rae

Vice Head Indonesian Financial Transaction Reports and Analysis Centre – INTRAC/PPATK Jalan Ir. H. Juanda No. 35 Jakarta, Indonesia

Dear Dian,

Subject: Membership application of Lao PDR FIU

Reference: Your letter B/03/KS.02/X/2019 dated 13 November 2019

I would like to thank you for your letter mentioned in the reference, where in your capacity as Regional Representative for Asia Pacific and on behalf INTRAK/PPATK, you kindly provided an update on the progress made by candidate Lao PDR FIU during the recent months. There is indeed an important progress made by the applicant FIU thanks to the strong support from the co-sponsors INTRAK/PPATK and FIU Thailand.

In relation to the next steps, please be advised that currently this membership application is under Step 3 of the Membership Procedure (Monitoring Phase). For moving forward to Step 4 (Preparation of the On-site Visit), it is under the co-sponsor's mandate to identify that the time is appropriate for a final onsite visit that will allow them to confirm the operational and the legal status of the FIU. If this is the case, the co-sponsors should inform the Chair of the MSCWG of the planned onsite visit dates, and should forward any other relevant documents or legislation. For the MSCWG Chair to make a decision on the proposed on-site visit, the sponsors should also provide the complete Membership Criteria Template (MCT) document to identify relevant law/regulations and operational practices that satisfactorily address each criteria, or note if deficiencies have been identified.

Based on the above-mentioned aspects stipulated in the Membership Procedure, and in case they have identify that the time is appropriate for an onsite visit, I would like to

encourage both co-sponsors INTRAK/PPATK and FIU Thailand to engage directly with the MSCWG Chair and provide as soon as possible the required information.

Finally, I would like to thank you for your strong commitment to the Egmont Group, and to the Asia and Pacific Region in particular, by looking to expand our membership with suitable and trusted new partners in the fight against money laundering and terrorist financing. We look forward to have Lao PDR FIU on board soon.

Yours sincerely,

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## Enclosures:

- Letter from INTRAC/PPATK B/03/KS.02/X/2019 dated 13 November 2019