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## Restoration Of Banking Services Following A Cyber Security Incident

The Central Bank of Lesotho issued a statement on 12 December 2023 notifying the public that it had suffered a cybersecurity breach. Following the incident, the Bank shut down its network and systems, including the national payment systems, in order to invoke the recovery protocols.

The Bank is pleased to announce that it has recovered and the payment system services have been restored with effect from 22 December 2023, and regrets the inconvenience and the frustration that the disruption has caused.

The Bank wishes to thank the Bankers Association of Lesotho (BAL) for ensuring that inter-bank payments did not come to a complete halt. The Bank gratefully acknowledges the endeavours of all banks of working harder, going beyond their normal modes, to ensure the continuity of payment services. The Bank also wishes to thank the public for their patience during this period.

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