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9 September 2022

The Chief Executive
All Authorized Institutions

Dear Sir / Madam,

<u>Circular Issued by the Insurance Authority ("IA") on</u>

<u>Extension of Phase 2 of the Temporary Facilitative Measures ("TFM") to</u>

Tackle the Outbreak of COVID-19

I am writing to draw your attention to the attached circular "Extension of Phase 2 of the temporary facilitative measures to tackle the outbreak of COVID-19" issued by the IA today. Phase 2 of the TFM will be further extended by seven months to <u>30 April 2023</u> in light of the current COVID-19 situation.

Authorized institutions may continue to adopt the TFM outlined in the circular "Phase 2 of the temporary facilitative measures to tackle the outbreak of COVID-19" issued by the IA on 27 March 2020 for their non-face-to-face distribution of the in-scope products until 30 April 2023.

For the avoidance of doubt, the clarifications and reminder set out in the circular entitled "Circular Issued by the Insurance Authority ("IA") on Phase 2 of the Temporary Facilitative Measures ("TFM") to Tackle the Outbreak of COVID-19" issued by the Hong Kong Monetary Authority on 27 March 2020 remain applicable.

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Yours faithfully,

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