

PARTICIPATING ORGANISATIONS' CIRCULAR

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**AMENDMENTS TO THE RULES OF BURSA MALAYSIA SECURITIES BERHAD
("RULES OF BURSA SECURITIES") IN RELATION TO BRANCHING**

Kindly be advised that amendments have been made to the Rules of Bursa Securities pertaining to branching ("the said Amendments").

The said Amendments are set out in Annexure 1 attached herewith. With the said Amendments, there will no longer be the requirement to make contribution for the purpose of development of the securities industry upon approval given to establish a branch office.

The said Amendments shall take immediate effect.

All rules, directives, circulars in force which make reference or contain provisions relating to the above matters shall have effect from the date hereof as if such reference or provisions relate the amendments made herein.

This Circular is available at

http://www.bursamalaysia.com/website/bm/rules_and_regulations/bursa_rules/bm_securities.html

In the event of any queries in relation to the said Amendments kindly contact the following persons:

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Rule		Rule	
504.3(2)	<p>(2) Approval:</p> <p>(a) The Exchange may, on application by a Participating Organisation to establish a branch office in the manner prescribed in these Rules, undertake an initial evaluation of such application and henceforth forward its recommendation of such application to the Commission.</p> <p>(b) In determining whether or not to recommend an approval of such application to the Commission, the Exchange may consider all matters relevant including but not limited to the following in respect of the applicant Participating Organisation -</p> <p>(i) area which the Participating Organisation is applying to establish a branch office;</p> <p>(ii) business integrity;</p> <p>(iii) financial standing;</p>	504.3(2)	<p>(2) Approval:</p> <p>(a) The Exchange may, on application by a Participating Organisation to establish a branch office in the manner prescribed in these Rules, undertake an initial evaluation of such application and henceforth forward its recommendation of such application to the Commission.</p> <p>(b) In determining whether or not to recommend an approval of such application to the Commission, the Exchange may consider all matters relevant including but not limited to the following in respect of the applicant Participating Organisation -</p> <p>(i) area which the Participating Organisation is applying to establish a branch office;</p> <p>(ii) business integrity;</p> <p>(iii) financial standing;</p> <p>(iv) experience of dealing in securities.</p>

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	<p>(iv) experience of dealing in securities.</p> <p>(c) <i>A Participating Organisation approved by the Exchange to establish a branch office, shall make a contribution for purpose of development of the securities industry, to the Exchange of a sum to be determined by the Exchange and such sum may be varied from time to time at the Exchange's discretion.</i></p> <p>(d) Where an approval is being granted by the Commission in respect of the applicant Participating Organisation to operate a branch office, the Exchange may, in addition to any conditions imposed by the Commission, attach its own conditions which may be varied from time to time.</p>		<p>(c) [Deleted].</p> <p>(d) Where an approval is being granted by the Commission in respect of the applicant Participating Organisation to operate a branch office, the Exchange may, in addition to any conditions imposed by the Commission, attach its own conditions which may be varied from time to time.</p>