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Strengthening of Coordination and Collaboration amongst Members of the Interagency Coordination Committee through the Signature of an Amended Memorandum of Cooperation

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On 18 March 2026, the members of the Interagency Coordination Committee ('ICC'), chaired by the Governor of the Bank of Mauritius, and comprising Anti-Money Laundering and Combating the Financing of Terrorism ('AML/CFT') Supervisors and the Attorney General's Office, have signed an Amended Memorandum of Cooperation ('Amended Memorandum').

The Amended Memorandum, which was signed at the seat of the Bank of Mauritius, builds on the initial Memorandum of Cooperation, signed on 26 August 2020, under which the ICC was established for, inter alia, the optimal implementation of the AML/CFT regime in Mauritius and to combat Money Laundering and the Financing of Terrorism and Proliferation.

The Amended Memorandum marks a significant step in reinforcing the existing collaborative framework and further streamlines coordination among supervisory and enforcement bodies. Additionally, the ICC welcomed a new member – the Registrar of Co-operative societies (ROCS), which is the supervisory authority for cooperative credit unions registered under the Co-Operatives Act. The Amended Memorandum further makes provision for other competent authorities to participate in the meetings of the ICC on an ad-hoc basis.

The Amended Memorandum reinforces the bond of trust and commitment between the AML/CFT supervisors to safeguard the integrity of the Mauritius Financial System, including the Financial Services, Designated Non-Financial Businesses and Professions ('DNFBPs') and Non-Profit Organisation ('NPO') sectors. It also illustrates that all Members of the ICC, along with its three technical Sub-Committees, are fully committed to fulfilling their mandate and sustaining the effectiveness of the country's national AML/CFT framework, especially in view of upcoming rounds of mutual evaluation.

The parties to the Amended Memorandum are:

- the Bank of Mauritius (BOM)
- the Attorney General's Office (AGO)
- the Financial Services Commission (FSC)
- the Financial Intelligence Unit (FIU)
- the Registrar of Companies (ROC)
- the Gambling Regulatory Authority (GRA)
- the Registration of Associations (ROA)
- the Mauritius Institute of Professional Accountants (MIPA), and
- the Registrar of Co-Operative Societies (ROCS)

At the signing of the Amended Memorandum, Dr Priscilla Muthoora Thakoor, Governor of the Bank of Mauritius and Chairperson of the ICC, underscored the importance of all Members of the ICC to *'work as a team and foster synergy among our institutions to demonstrate effectiveness in enhancing our AML/CFT framework'* and emphasized that coordination and collaboration are essential components in this ongoing journey.



From left to right - Ms Lovania Devina Ouma Pyndiah Pertab (Director, FIU), Mr Noel Antoine Thomasoo (Chief Legal Secretary, AGO), Mr Rajeshsharma Ramloll, SC (Solicitor General, AGO and Vice-Chairperson of the ICC), Dr Priscilla S. Muthoora Thakoor (Governor and Chairperson of the ICC), Mr Ramsamy Chinniah (Second Deputy Governor), Mr Vinesh Sanasy (Registrar of Associations), Mrs Geeta Beegoo (Registrar of Co-operative Societies), Ms Jasbine Heenaye (AML/CFT Manager, MIPA) and Mr Désiré Vencatachellum (Chief Executive, FSC)