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Banking and Finance

NBC: New Provisions on Management of Payment Service Provider

On 14 June 2017, the National Bank of Cambodia ("**NBC**") issued Prakas No. B14-107-161 on the Management of Payment Service Provider ("**Prakas**") to manage and set out legal procedures on licensing application for legal entities that provide payment services in Cambodia.

The Prakas is applicable to all banks and financial institutions under the supervision of the NBC, as well as legal entities that provide payment services. This Prakas is effective from 14 June 2017.

The payment services, as provided under this Prakas, include:

- services enabling cash to be placed on and withdrawn from a payment account, and any operations required for operating a payment account;
- execution of payment transactions including transfer of funds on a payment account with the user's payment service provider or with another payment service provider;
- execution of payment transactions where funds are covered by a credit line for a payment service user;
- issuing of payment instructions and/or acquiring payment transaction;
- moneyremittance;
- payment initiation service;
- electronic money is suance;
- other payment services as defined by NBC.

According to Article 8 of the Prakas, any legal entity that wishes to provide the payment services shall obtain licenses from the NBC, whereas bank and financial institution that wish to provide the payment services shall seek for prior permission from the NBC.

The Prakas also sets out general requirements applicable to the operation of the payment services including topics such as fund management, usage of service agents, customer protection, confidentiality obligation, issuance of electronic money; etc.

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