Foreign Exchange Policy Department

Bangladesh Bank Head Office Dhaka

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FE Circular Letter No. 30

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Head Offices/Principal Offices of all Authorized Dealers in Bangladesh

Dear Sirs,

Use of International Cards from Bangladesh for online payments abroad

Please refer to Circular Letter No. 26, dated 14/11/2019 in terms of which Authorized Dealers

(ADs) were advised to observe extended due diligence including Online Transaction Authorization

Form (OTAF) formalities before allowing International Cards (ICs) for online payments abroad

through internet from Bangladesh.

02. To bring further simplification in online transactions, it has been decided to waive OTAF

formalities for online payments abroad through ICs. In this context, it is advised that ADs shall take

necessary arrangements to guard against illegitimate online payments abroad through ICs from

Bangladesh like payments for participating in online casino/gambling, trading in forex/stock

exchanges, purchase of crypto currencies/lottery ticket, purchase of goods/services originated in

Bangladesh, etc.

03. ADs shall strictly observe KYC and AML/CFT standards, follow usual reporting routine

to Bangladesh Bank, and ensure compliance of regulations concerning duties/taxes applicable against

the transactions.

Please bring the contents of this circular letter to the notice of all concerned constituents.

Yours faithfully,

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