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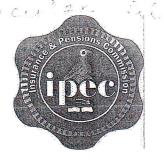
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COMPLIANCE DIRECTIVE TO INSURANCE AND PENSION FUNDS INDUSTRY ON PRESCRIBED ASSET HOLDINGS

This is to advise that the Minister of Finance has issued a directive to the above industry to comply with prescribed asset requirements by the 28th November 2008.

The Insurance and Pensions Commission Board discussed the directive and resolved to seek some clarification and guidance from the Minister on how best to implement the directive. We hope to get this guidance in time for the deadline to be met.

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RE: COMPLIANCE DIRECTIVE TO THE INSURANCE AND PENSION FUND INDUSTRY ON PRESCRIBED ASSET HOLDING

This letter is a follow-up to my Directive of 13 November 2008, which appears not to have been implemented.

The Directive was as follows:

- The Ministry of Finance has noted with grave concern that the Insurance and Pension Fund Industries are overthy violating the statutory requirement that 30 % and 35 % of their assets be held in prescribed Government assets respectively.
- 2. At current levels of under 1 % of prescribed assets holdings, the Insurance companies and Pension Funds are directly subverting Government's National Development Programmes, as well as, undermining the medium and long-term stability of the country's Financial Sector.
- Accordingly, therefore, and without exception, all Insurance companies and Pensions
 Funds are expected to fully comply with the prescribed assets holding requirement
 no later than end of business day on 28 November 2008.
- Non-compliance will attract very serious remedial measures.

5. Please be advised accordingly.

Hon. Dr. S. C. Mumbengegw MINISTER OF FINANCE

CC: Commissioner of the Insurance & Pensions Commission