

TRANSLATION

August 27, 1998
CIRCULAR No. 10-98

General Manager

Dear General Manager:

Hereby, we would like to inform you that by means of S.B. Resolution No. 12-98 of 26 August 1998, this Office has ordered the intervention of **BANCO DE PRESTAMOS (PANAMA), S.A.**

We have made this decision because the Bank had a committed liquidity issue and the Bank's Parent Company, in Ecuador, was object of measures that may affect the situation of its subsidiary **BANCO DE PRESTAMOS (PANAMA), S.A.**, located in Panama.

Best regards,

Carlos A. Vallarino R.
Superintendent of Banks

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