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Republic of Panama Superintendency of Banks

January 24, 2002 **CIRCULAR No. 006-2002**

Mr. General Manager In Your Office.

Manager, Sir:

In connection with our Circular 40-2001 of November 20, 2001, we kindly inform you that this Superintendency has considered that the requested Strategic Plans will not require to be remitted physically to our institution.

However, these Strategic Plans are an indispensable requirement within the concept of corporate governance, and shall be available to the Superintendency of Banks whenever it may require so.

There being no further matter, we remain,

Yours truly,

Delia Cárdenas Superintendent