

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

The Superintendency of Banks of the Republic of Panama, as the promoter of public trust in the banking system, reiterates that fraudulent notices to the public using the names of Banks in Panama's International Banking Center and requesting clients update their information, are circulating by way of electronic media.

Therefore, you must avoid answering these email announcements requesting confidential data. Should you have any doubts about requests made through the internet, we recommend you communicate directly with your Bank.

Panama, March 6, 2007.

(signed) Amauri Castillo Interim Superintendent