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# NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

The Superintendent of Banks,

In due compliance with the provisions of Article 16, Letter I, Number 7 of Banking Law and Article 9 of Rule No. 1-2004,

### INFORMS:

**STANFORD BANK (PANAMÁ), S.A.** is a corporation duly registered in Document 427208, Number 419999 of Microfilms (Mercantile) v of the Public Registry of Panama, holder of a General Banking License granted by means of Resolution No. 033-2005 of 1 April 2005 issued by this Office;

**STANFORD INTERNATIONAL HOLDINGS (PANAMA), S.A.**, corporation duly registered in Document 444870, Number 559962 of Microfilms (Mercantile) Section of the Public Registry of Panama, is the wholly-owner of **STANFORD BANK (PANAMÁ), S.A.**,

**STANFORD BANK (PANAMÁ), S.A.** is currently under Reorganization process, ordered by this Office, for the due protection of the best interests of depositors and creditors of the Bank, as it is set forth in Article 141 of Banking Law, as the Authorities of the United States of America took legal actions against the only final owner of **STANFORD BANK (PANAMÁ), S.A.**;

Among the powers and responsibilities of the Reorganization are, in one hand, to coordinate the efforts to repatriate funds and assets of **STANFORD BANK** (**PANAMÁ**), **S.A.** that are hold by financial institutions in other jurisdictions, which is ongoing; and by the other, as a result of the above, to procure the restart of banking operations for the benefit of depositors and creditors;

Up to date, and after all diligences made in liaison with the Interim Administrator of the Bank, in due time, and after by the Reorganizer, with the support of the Trustee appointed by the Judge of the District of Dallas, Texas, United States of America, and other authorities in that country, the percentage of assets managed by **STANFORD BANK (PANAMÁ), S.A.** is over 95%;

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Among the choices to restart operations, is being managed, in coordination with the Trustee appointed by the Judicial Authorities of the United States, the possibility of selling 100% of shares of **STANFORD BANK (PANAMÁ), S.A.**;

**STRATEGIC INVESTORS GROUP INC.**, is a corporation duly registered in Document 675348, Number 1649734 of Microfilms (Mercantile) Section of the Public Registry of Panama;

STRATEGIC INVESTORS GROUP INC., has formally submitted to this Office its request to acquire 100% of the shares of STANFORD BANK (PANAMÁ), S.A., currently under control of STANFORD INTERNATIONAL HOLDINGS (PANAMÁ), S.A.;

The Directors and Dignitaries of **STRATEGIC INVESTORS GROUP INC** are the following persons:

Name	Position	Identity Document
George Francis Novey	Director – President	ID No. 8-193-553 of the
De La Guardia	Director – President	Republic of Panama
Arturo Del Valle Cueto		Passport No.
	Director – Vice	014111626 of the
	President	Bolivarian Republic of
		Venezuela
Ramón Fernández	Director – Secretary –	ID No. 8-378-388 of the
Quijano	Treasurer	Republic of Panama

The offer to acquire 100% of shares of **STANFORD BANK** (**PANAMÁ**), **S.A.** by **STRATEGIC INVESTORS GROUP INC.**, was evaluated and accepted, among several proposals, by the Trustee appointed by the Judge of the District of Dallas, Texas, United States of America, who executes the economic rights on the shares of **STANFORD BANK** (**PANAMÁ**), **S.A.**'s holder;

**STRATEGIC INVESTORS GROUP INC.** has submitted to this Office the required information for the acquisition of the shares of **STANFORD BANK (PANAMÁ)**, **S.A.** complying with the provisions set forth in Rule No. 1-2004;

**STRATEGIC INVESTORS GROUP INC.** has accredited before this Office that, after acquiring 100% of the shares of **STANFORD BANK (PANAMÁ), S.A.** the Directors and Dignitaries of the latter will be following persons:

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Ellis Cano Plata	Director	ID No. 8-210-1430 of the
		Republic of Panama

Given in the city of Panama, on the fifth (5<sup>th</sup>) January, two thousand ten (2010)

(Original signed) Alberto Diamond R. Superintendent

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