



COMMUNIQUE

By means of Resolution SBP-0058-2017 dated 12 April 2017, the Superintendency of Banks of Panama ordered the extension of the REORGANIZATION of **BALBOA BANK & TRUST, CORP.**, to be completed within thirty (30) days from two thirty post meridiem (2:30 p.m.) on Saturday, April 15, two thousand seventeen (2017). This period may be curtailed or extended by the Superintendency under Paragraph 3 of Article 142 of the Banking Law.

The decision to extend the period is based on the Reorganizer's recommendation, in order to give him more time to assess the viability of new alternatives and to continue with the negotiation process, in accordance with the provisions of the Banking Law.

Currently, there is a purchase offer which includes certain conditions that must be accepted by the Bank's depositors. Significant progress has been made to date on achieving this acceptance.

During the last few weeks, there have been meetings and gatherings, and alternate sale formulas have been worked on. During this timeframe, the Reorganizer has received a letter from a group of depositors interested in purchasing the Bank's shares.

This proposal needs to be substantiated from the legal, operating and financial point of view, taking into consideration the required due diligence and other legal provisions.

The Superintendency of Banks of Panama recommends the community pay attention only to the official communiqués issued by this Institution and to ignore baseless and malicious rumors that are circulated or posted on social networks and other media. We reiterate that this type of baseless news jeopardizing the national economy or public trust may incur in the commission of offenses under Article 260 of the Penal Code.

Panama, 12 April 2017.