Republic of Panama Superintendency of Banks

RESOLUTION S.B.P. 193-2009 (dated 25 August 2009)

THE INTERIM SUPERINTENDENT OF BANKS

in use of his legal powers, and

CONSIDERING:

That HSBC BANK (PANAMÁ), S.A. is a bank holding a General Banking License;

That by means of Resolution S.B.P. 173-2009 dated 5 August 2009, **HSBC BANK** (**PANAMÁ**), **S.A.** was authorized to close its branch office located in Plaza Belen, Calle 50, district of Panama, province of Panama, as of 31 August 2009;

That subsequently, **HSBC BANK (PANAMÁ)**, **S.A.** announced a new date for carrying out the closure authorized by Resolution S.B.P. 173-2009 dated 13 April 2009;

That pursuant to the provisions of Paragraph I, Subparagraph 2 of Article 16 of the Banking Law, the Superintendent of Banks is the approving authority for closing banking establishments;

That after the relevant analysis, the request submitted by **HSBC BANK (PANAMÁ)**, **S.A.** raises no objections.

RESOLVES:

To authorize **HSBC BANK (PANAMÁ), S.A.** to close its branch office located in Plaza Belen, Calle 50, district of Panama, province of Panama, as of 30 September 2009.

LEGAL GROUNDS: Paragraph 2, Article 58; and Subparagraph 2, Paragraph I, Article 16 of the Banking Law.

Given in the city of Panama on the twenty-fifth (25th) day of August, two thousand nine (2009).

FOR COMMUNICATION, PUBLICATION AND ENFORCEMENT,

Amauri A. Castillo Interim Superintendent of Banks

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