

Republic of Panama  
Superintendency of Banks

**RESOLUTION SBP-REG-0014-2019**  
(dated 9 August 2019)

**THE SUPERINTENDENT OF BANKS**  
in use of his legal powers, and

**WHEREAS:**

By means of Law 23 dated 27 April 2015, amended by Law 21 dated 10 May 2017, the measures to prevent money laundering, the financing of terrorism and the financing of the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction were adopted;

Article 22 of Law 23 dated 27 April 2015, amended by Article 123 of Law 21 dated 10 May 2017, provides that exchange bureaus, in any of their forms, whether by physical delivery or the purchase of future contracts, whether or not it is their main activity, will be supervised and regulated by the Superintendency of Banks on matters related to the prevention of money laundering, the financing of terrorism and the financing of the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction as financial reporting entities, among others;

By means of Other Financial Reporting Entities AML Rule 2-2018 dated 21 August 2018, the requirements and the registration process were established for exchange bureaus to be issued a Registration Certificate as a Financial Reporting Entity by the Superintendency of Banks on matters related to the prevention of money laundering, the financing of terrorism and the financing of the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction;

Article 2 of Other Financial Reporting Entities AML Rule 2-2018 dated 21 August 2018, establishes that exchange bureaus must be registered with the Superintendency of Banks as financial reporting entities in order to comply with the stipulations of Law 23 of 2015 adopting the measures to prevent money laundering, the financing of terrorism and the financing of the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction;

Article 4 of the aforementioned Other Financial Reporting Entities AML Rule 2-2018 dated 21 August 2018 sets forth the requirements exchange bureaus must comply with in order to be registered as Financial Reporting Entities with the Superintendency of Banks;

Article 11 of Other Financial Reporting Entities AML Rule 2-2018 dated 21 August 2018 establishes that exchange bureaus currently in operation will have up to one hundred twenty (120) days from the enactment of the Rule to start the registration process at the Superintendency of Banks;

**MELIAS, S.A.** is a corporation established and existing according to the laws of the Republic of Panama, filed on Page 337034 in the Mercantile Section of the Public Registry, holding Operation Notice 56791-2-337034-2007-11780 dated 20 December 1997, issued by the Ministry of Commerce, and whose activity is that of an exchange bureau, among others;

Through its resident agent and in compliance with the provisions of Other Financial Reporting Entities AML Rule 2-2018 dated 21 August 2018, **MELIAS, S.A.** has submitted a request for the Superintendency of Banks to authorize it to be registered as a Financial Reporting Entity;

After the relevant analysis and evaluation, the request submitted by **MELIAS, S.A.** raises no objections;

Pursuant to Article 20 of Law 23 dated 27 April 2015, the Superintendent of Banks is the approving authority for requests such as this;

**RESOLVES:**

To **issue** an Exchange Bureau Registration Certificate to **MELIAS, S.A.** as a Financial Reporting Entity. The code assigned to it is **CACAM-007**.

**LEGAL GROUNDS:** Law 23 dated 27 April 2015, amended by Law 21 dated 10 May 2017, Other Financial Reporting Entities AML Rule 2-2018 dated 21 August 2018.

Given in the city of Panama on the ninth (9<sup>th</sup>) day of August, two thousand nineteen (2019)

**FOR COMMUNICATION, PUBLICATION, AND ENFORCEMENT,**

**THE SUPERINTENDENT OF BANKS,**

Ricardo G. Fernandez D.

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