

THE BAHAMAS AML/CFT 2018 RISK MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE

“What’s happening across regulators?”

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HOW WE GOT HERE

- OECD blacklisting of 35 countries based on its concern with the exchange of information to enhance onshore tax compliance.
- Response of the Government of The Bahamas to mitigate the damage to The Bahamian economy
 - New and amended legislation implemented.
- Regulatory response
 - Creation of the Group of Financial Services Regulators (GFSR)



GROUP OF FINANCIAL SERVICES REGULATORS

(a) Joint Endeavors

- Annual Publication
- Annual Flagship Conference
- AML/CFT Website
- AML/CFT Penalty & Sanctioning Framework

(b) Joint Guidance

- Proliferation Financing
- Sound Management of Financial Crimes



COMPLIANCE COMMISSION

- Responsible for oversight of DNFBPs
 - Expanded to include Dealers in Precious Stones and Metals
- Technology Upgrades
- Enforcement Unit Established
- Codes of Practice Updated
- Training
- Enforcement
 - Participating in GFSR Working Group on Sanctions



THE GAMING BOARD

- Action Plan
- AML/CFT Guideline Booklet
- Risk Based Supervisory Framework
- Occasional Transactions Threshold



INSURANCE COMMISSION OF THE BAHAMAS

- Life Insurance always subject to AML Regime
 - Now defined as FI therefore additional standards apply
- FTRA 2018 introduced obligation for STRs to General Insurance
- Jan 2018 – NRA Briefing
- Feb 2018 – Industry Briefing specific to Insurance Industry
- May 2018 – Board and Employee training
- One-on-One Prudential Meetings with licensees
- Enhanced Risk Based Supervision Program



CENTRAL BANK OF THE BAHAMAS

- Supervisor of Banks, Trusts, Credit Unions and Money Transmission Business
- Supervisory Reforms
 - AML/CFT Focus
 - AML/CFT Supervisory Framework
 - AML Analytics Unit

2019 Reforms

- ❑ SFI Risk Management arrangements
- ❑ AML/CFT Approach 2.0



SECURITIES COMMISSION OF THE BAHAMAS

- Supervises Capital, Securities and Investment fund sectors and is Inspector of FCSPs
- Supervisory Reforms
 - Risk Based Supervision Framework
 - Risk Analytics Unit
 - Risk scoring tool
 - Examination Programs
 - Sanctions
- Legislative Reforms
 - Securities Industry Act/Investment Funds Act
 - Securities Industry (AML/CFT Rules) 2015
- Financial and Corporate Service Providers Act
 - Financial And Corporate Service Providers Handbook and Code of Practice



CONCLUDING POINTS

- International focus on AML/CFT continues
- Legislation replaced to keep pace
- Continued assessment of risk imperative
- Commitment to meet changing Standards
- Continuing role for the GFSR



THANK YOU





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