

MARKET CIRCULAR 37

To: Market Participant

From: NASD OTC Securities Exchange

Date: 31 January 2020

Subject: Notice of VAT INCREMENT from 5% to 7.5%

In reference to the recently executed 2019 Finance Bill and increment of Value Added Tax (VAT) on Capital Market Transactions.

Please note that effective 03 February 2020, VAT at 7.5% is to be charged on all commissions applicable to capital market transactions which includes Commissions –

- a. earned on traded value of shares;
- b. payable to the NASD OTC Securities Exchange; and
- c. payable to the Central Securities Clearing System.

Please note that the CSCS will automate the deduction of VAT charged on the commissions payable to the NASD and the CSCS.

We thank you for your cooperation in this regard and look forward to a smoother and more transparent OTC market.

For further clarifications, kindly send a mail to <u>marketoperations@nasdng.com</u> or call Veronica/Chinwendu on 09024559686.

Best Regards,

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