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SPECIFIC ACTIONS REQUIRING THE PRIOR APPROVAL OF THE EXCHANGE

Dealing Member Firms are reminded that pursuant to the following Rules and Regulations Governing Dealing Members of The Exchange, firms are required to obtain prior approval of The Exchange before engaging in the specific actions listed in the referenced Articles:

- I. Article 7 "Alterations to the particulars of all directorships and shareholdings of Dealing Members shall be with the prior approval of The Exchange..."

- II. Article 144:
 1. "A Dealing Member shall not be allowed to do the following without the prior written consent of The Exchange:
 - (b) Allow or agree to any change in the control or shareholding structure of the Company;
 2. In no circumstances shall a Dealing Member neglect, ignore or fail to obtain prior consent on specific actions as required by The Exchange.
 3. If a Dealing Member contravenes the above stated rules, it shall be liable to a fine of **Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand Naira** in addition to any other sanction which the Council may impose as it deems fit."

- III. Article 156 "Prior written approval of Council shall be required for any change in the name, directorate, shareholding, share capital structure or control of a Dealing Member."

Please note that where a Dealing Member Firm conducts any of the activities listed above without obtaining the **prior approval** of The Exchange, the penalty stated above shall be enforced and the action of the firm shall be deemed null and void until the approval of The Exchange is obtained and the penalty settled.

For any further clarification on the above, do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Please be guided accordingly.

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