



Merchant Bank of Sri Lanka & Finance PLC

Co.Reg.No. PQ 10

10th April 2023.

MBSL/HO/CSSD/2023/031

Mr. Renuke Wijayawardhane
Chief Regulatory Officer
Colombo Stock Exchange
04-01, West Block
World Trade Centre
Colombo 01.

Dear Sir,

**MERCHANT BANK OF SRI LANKA & FINANCE PLC (MBSL)
MINIMUM PUBLIC HOLDING AS A CONTINUOUS LISTING REQUIREMENT
ANNOUNCEMENT UNDER SECTION 7.14.2 OF THE LISTING RULES**

In terms of Section 7.14.2 of the Listing Rules of the Colombo Stock Exchange, we wish to inform you of the following:

- (i) MBSL is non-compliant with the Minimum Public Holding Requirement specified in Rule 7.14.1 (a) of the Listing Rules with effect from 1st November 2021. Pursuant to the listing of 358,665,096 shares of the Rights Issue on 1st October 2021, the public float of the Company dropped to 15.50%.
- (ii) Status of the Company as of 31st March 2023 is given below:
 - a. Existing Float Adjusted Market Capitalization - Rs. 276,404,944.80
 - b. Public Holding Percentage - 15.50%
 - c. Number of Public Shareholders - 11,167

We further wish to inform you that MBSL is currently taking necessary steps to rectify the situation and will make a market announcement soon in this regard.

Yours faithfully,

MERCHANT BANK OF SRI LANKA & FINANCE PLC


Dammika Hapuhinna
Chief Executive Officer

