

26th June 2020

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

Dear Sir,

Extension of Timelines for Publication of Interim Financial Statements for Quarter ending 31st March 2020 - Merchant Bank of Sri Lanka & Finance PLC

With reference to the Circular No. 03-04-2020 and 06-05-2020 issued by the Colombo Stock Exchange, we wish to make following disclosures.

1. The Company will be utilizing the extension of timeline for the publication of interim Financial Statements as at 31st March 2020 as per the above CSE Circulars.

2. Turnover / Total Income

	Unaudited (Rs.)
1 st Quarter ended 31 st March 2020	1.40 billion

3. Future outlook relating to operation

The business operations of the Company expected to perform at a slower pace during the financial year 2020 due to slowdown of local economy resulted from the negative impact of COVID-19 outbreak. However, being an NBFIs with a strong parental support of Bank of Ceylon (BOC), the Company will take all possible actions to minimize the risk exposures in credit, liquidity and operations to sustain business and to expand operations whilst managing possible costs to minimize adverse impact on our profitability.

Currently, the Company is evaluating the moratorium requests received from customers in connection with the directions issued by the Central Bank which give relief for the payment of rentals during the moratorium period.



4. Message to investors who wish to trade in the absence of Financial Statements

We are mindful that the situation is volatile with an uncertain outlook, depend on the duration of the Covid-19 outbreak. However, we assure our investors that all measures will be taken by the Company to minimize the impact of this crisis on the bottom line and ensure long term viability intact.

Further, we affirm that the Directors, Key Management Personnel and other related parties who have access to unpublished sensitive and confidential information, to refrain from trading during the period, delayed.

Yours faithfully,
MERCHANT BANK OF SRI LANKA & FINANCE PLC



Jude Gamalath
Chief Executive Officer (Actg)