



June 13, 2019

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Dear Sirs,

MANDATORY OFFER BY STERLING CAPITAL INVESTMENTS (PRIVATE) LIMITED TO PURCHASE ALL THE REMAINING ISSUED AND PAID UP ORDINARY VOTING SHARES OF PEOPLES MERCHANT FINANCE PLC ("OFFER")

Pursuant to Rule 31(1) of the Code, Sterling Capital Investments (Private) Limited (the "Offeror") posted the Mandatory Offer Document ("Offer Document") pertaining to the above mentioned Offer to the shareholders of People's Merchant Finance PLC (the "Offeree Company") on May 30, 2019 identifying the First Closing Date of the Offer as 4.30 p.m. on June 19, 2019.

In terms of Rule 13(2), the Board of the Offeree Company is required to forward to every shareholder its views, comments and advice on the Offer Document and the advice given to it by an Independent Advisor (the "Report") within 14 days of the receipt of the Offer Document by the Board of the Offeree Company, i.e. on or before June 12, 2019.

However, due to the delay in finalizing the Report submitted by the Independent Advisor to the Securities and Exchange Commission of Sri Lanka ("SEC") for its approval, the SEC by their letter dated June 11, 2019, has instructed the Offeror to extend the Offer until June 27, 2019, in order to enable the shareholders of the Offeree Company to make an informed decision in respect of the Offer, upon receiving the approved documents referred to above. The Offeror has also been directed by the SEC to make an immediate market announcement in respect of the extension of the Offer period.

The terms and conditions of the Offer in all other respects will remain unchanged as set out in the Offer Document posted to the shareholders of the Offeree Company on May 30, 2019.

FOR AND ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF STERLING CAPITAL INVESTMENTS (PRIVATE) LIMITED

Director

CC: NDB INVESTMENT BANK LIMITED - MANAGERS TO THE OFFER