Syrian Arab Republic

Monetary and Credit Council

الجمهوريَّة العربيَّة السوريَّة

مجلس النقد والتسليف

Decision No. (661/M.C.C)

Monetary and Credit Council,

Pursuant to:

The provisions of the Law of Central Bank of Syria and the Basic Monetary Law No. /23/2002,

Prime Minister's Letter No. 1/276, dated 13/01/2010 on the approval of the recommendation of the Economic Committee at its session No. 1, dated 04/01/2010, which included the request to the Monetary and Credit Council to complete the investigation of the possibility of amending Decision No. 395/M.C.C/B4 dated 29/05/2008, which provides a greater opportunity for banks to finance while considering not to incur high credit risks that exceed their ability,

Government Commission Directorate's Letter No. 1817/100/5 dated 17/05/2010,

The revision thereof in its session held on 27/05/2010,

Decided the following:

Article. 1 Amending the definition of interrelated groups contained in Clause /3/, Article 1 of Monetary and Credit Council's Decision No. (395/M.C.C//B4) dated 29/05/2008 regarding the adoption of instructions for the permitted maximum facilities and financing, in accordance with the following:

First: Amending Para. /C/ of the above Clause as follows:

C. Institutions and companies where the client directly or indirectly contributes as follows:

1. The client's sole proprietorship.
2. Partnerships where the client is a partner.
3. Commandite companies where the client is an active partner.
4. Limited liability companies where the client owns 40% or more of their equity, and contributes to the management upon granting or each renewal.
5. Joint-stock companies where the client owns 20% or more of their equity, and contributes to the management upon granting or each renewal.

Second: the following paragraph shall be added to the aforesaid Clause /3/:

F. Credit facilities granted to the joint account where the client is a party thereto.

Article. 2 Credit facilities granted to the government or other public entities guaranteed thereby through unconditional guarantee are excluded from the instructions on the permitted maximum facilities and financing.

Article. 3 The Decision shall be deemed valid as of this date, and for the facilities existing in the effective date, the interrelated groups shall be defined as per the above principles upon renewal.

Issued in Damascus, on 27/05/2010

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