



## CERTIFICATION REGARDING CORRESPONDENT ACCOUNTS FOR FOREIGN BANKS

**The information contained in this Certification is sought pursuant to Sections 5318(j) and 5318(k) of Title 31 of the United States Code, as added by sections 313 and 319(b) of the USA PATRIOT Act of 2001 (Public Law 107-56).**

This Certification should be completed by any foreign bank that maintains a **Correspondent Account** with any U.S. bank or U.S. broker-dealer in securities (a Covered **Financial Institution as defined in 31 CFR 1010.605(e)**). An entity that is not a foreign bank is not required to complete this Certification.

A **foreign bank** is a bank organized under foreign law and located outside of the United States (see definition at 31 CFR 1010.100(u)). A bank includes offices, branches, and agencies of commercial banks or trust companies, private banks, national banks, thrift institutions, credit unions, and other organizations chartered under banking laws and supervised by banking supervisors of any state (see definition at 31 CFR 1010.100 (d)). [A "foreign bank" does not include any foreign central bank or monetary authority that functions as a central bank, or any international financial institution or regional development bank formed by treaty or international agreement.]

A **correspondent account** for a foreign bank is any account to receive deposits from, make payments or other disbursements on behalf of a foreign bank, or handle other financial transactions related to the foreign bank.

**Special instruction for foreign branches of U.S. banks:** A branch or office of a U.S. bank outside the United States is a foreign bank. Such a branch or office is not required to complete this Certification with respect to Correspondent Accounts with U.S. branches and offices of the same U.S. bank.

**Special instruction for covering multiple branches on a single Certification:** A foreign bank may complete one Certification for its branches and offices outside the United States. The Certification must list all of the branches and offices that are covered and must include the information required in Part C for each branch or office that maintains a Correspondent Account with a Covered Financial Institution. Use attachment sheets as necessary.

A. The undersigned financial institution, **NIC Asia Bank Limited**, on behalf of itself and its branches (collectively, the "Foreign Banks"), hereby certifies as follows:

**B. Correspondent Accounts Covered by this Certification:**

This Certification applies to **all accounts** established for the Foreign Banks by Covered Financial Institutions.

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**C. Physical Presence/Regulated Affiliate Status:**

Foreign Bank maintains a physical presence in any country. That means:

- **NIC ASIA Bank Limited** has a place of business at the street address **Kamaladi, Kathmandu, Nepal**, where it employs one or more individuals on a full-time basis and maintains operating records related to its banking activities;
- The above address is in **Nepal** where **NIC ASIA Bank Limited** is authorized to conduct banking activities; and
- **NIC ASIA Bank Limited** is subject to inspection by the banking authority i.e. **Nepal Rastra Bank (Central Bank of Nepal)** that licensed it to conduct banking activities.

**D. Indirect Use of Correspondent Accounts:**

No Correspondent Account maintained by a Covered Financial Institution may be used to indirectly provide banking services to certain foreign banks. **NIC ASIA Bank Limited** hereby certifies that it does **not** use any Correspondent Account with a Covered Financial Institution to indirectly provide banking services to any foreign bank that does not maintain a physical presence in any country and that is not a regulated affiliate.

**E. Ownership Information:**

NIC ASIA Bank's shares are **publicly traded** at Nepal Stock Exchange Limited (**stock exchange of Nepal**).

Publicly traded means that the shares are traded on an exchange or an organized over-the-counter market that is regulated by a foreign securities authority as defined in section 3(a)(50) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. 78c(a)(50)).

**F. Process Agent:**

Global Payment Advisory Group (GPAG), LLC, is a resident of the United States at the following street address: 90 Village Green Bardonia, NY 10956, and is authorized to accept service of legal process on behalf of the Foreign Banks from the Secretary of the Treasury or the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Section 5318(k) of title 31, United States Code.

**G. General:**

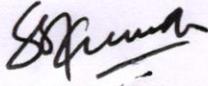
NIC ASIA Bank hereby agrees that notice will be given in writing to each Covered Financial Institution at which Foreign Bank maintains any Correspondent Account of any change in facts or circumstances reported in this Certification. Notification shall be given within 30 calendar days of such change.

NIC ASIA Bank understands that each Covered Financial Institution at which it maintains a Correspondent Account may provide a copy of this Certification to the Secretary of the Treasury and the Attorney General of the United States. NIC ASIA Bank further understands



that the statements contained in this Certification may be transmitted to one or more departments or agencies of the United States of America for the purpose of fulfilling such departments' and agencies' governmental functions.

I, Sujit Kumar Shakya, certify that I have read and understand this Certification, that the statements made in this Certification are complete and correct, and that I am authorized to execute this Certification on behalf of NIC Asia Bank Limited.



**Sujit Kumar Shakya**  
**NIC Asia Bank Limited**  
**Chief Executive Officer**



Executed on this 26<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2026.

**Received and reviewed by:**

Name:

Title:

For:

[Name of Covered financial institution]

Date: