

Press release 2015-004

Willemstad – The *Centrale Bank van Curaçao en Sint Maarten* (CBCS) has taken note of an anonymous news report suggesting that the President of the CBCS has given a certain bank preferential treatment in granting that bank permission for a master license for Western Union.

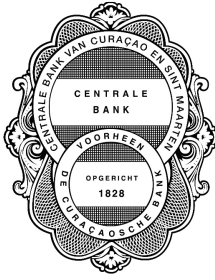
The CBCS emphatically refutes and denies these allegations. The CBCS has never, at any moment, granted permission for a master license, given that – only until last Friday – there was no legislation concerning the supervision on these master licenses, thus there was no legal framework for the CBCS to act accordingly.

As mentioned, the national ordinance concerned entered into force last Friday and the CBCS is now developing a policy with respect to the application requirements to qualify for a master license permit. Only when this policy is implemented, will the CBCS start handling applications for permissions. The CBCS confirms that, currently, there are no applications under consideration.

In conclusion, the CBCS emphasizes that no permission for a master license has been granted to any bank or other financial institution. These are false allegations which are not based on any fact and can only be seen as yet another attempt to damage the reputation of the CBCS and its President.

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Willemstad - Banko Sentral di Kòrsou i Sint Maarten (Banko Sentral) a tuma nota di un notisia anónimo riba retnan sosial ku ta sugerí ku a base di un trato preferensia, presidente di Banko Sentral lo a otorgá e pèrmit pa un ‘master’-lisensia di Western Union na un banko di un amigu.

Banko Sentral ta refutá i desmentí e informashon eróneo aki enfátikamente. Realidat ta ku Banko Sentral ningun momento no a otorgá ningun pèrmit pa ‘master’-lisensia, mirando ku e lei ku ta regla e supervishon riba e tipo di pèrmitnan aki no tabata eksistí, i pues no tabatin instrumentonan legal pa por supervisá di un forma adekuá.

Entretantu e lei konserní a keda publiká i Banko Sentral ta den e proseso pa desaroyá un maneho pa loke ta trata e kondishonnan ku mester kumpli ku n’e pa por bini na remarke pa un pèrmit. Ora ku e maneho aki ta kla i aprobá por kuminsá trata e petishonnan pa pèrmit. Aktualmente no ta tratando ningun petishon pa pèrmit.

Pa resumí nos ke enfatisá ku no tin ningun pèrmit pa ‘master’-lisensia nobo otorgá, i ku qualke insinuashon den e direkshon aki ta basá riba mentira i un intento mas, kaminda a base di historianan inventá, ta purba dañá e bon nòmber di Banko sentral i su Presidente direktor.

Curaçao, 2 mart 2015

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