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The Chairmen/CEOs of all Scheduled Commercial Banks(Excluding RRBs)/Local Area Banks / All India Financial Institutions

Dear Sir.

Anti-Money Laundering (AML)/Combating of Financing of Terrorism (CFT) - Standards

Please refer to our letter <u>DBOD. AML.No.13738/14.01.001/ 2010-11 dated March 14, 2012</u> on risks arising from the deficiencies in AML/CFT regime of certain jurisdictions.

2. Financial Action Task Force (FATF) has updated its Statement on the subject and document 'Improving Global AML/CFT Compliance: on-going process' on June 22, 2012 (copy enclosed). The statement / document can be accessed from the following URL also:

http://www.fatf-gafi.org/documents/repository/fatfpublicstatement-22june2012.html and http://www.fatf-gafi.org/topics/high-riskandnon-cooperativejurisdictions/documents/improvingglobalamlcftcomplianceon-goingprocess-22june2012.html

- 3. All banks and financial institutions are accordingly advised to consider the information contained in the enclosed statement.
- 4. This, however, does not preclude Indian banks or financial institutions from legitimate trade and business transactions with these countries and jurisdictions.
- 5. Please advise your Principal Officer to acknowledge receipt of this circular letter. Yours faithfully,

(Sudha Damodar) Chief General Manager

Encl: As above