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Imposing Penalties on an Exchange Company Regulated by the Central Bank of Kuwait

The Board of Directors of the Central Bank of Kuwait has decided to impose a penalty consisting of one “written warning” and two “financial penalties” totaling 20,000 K.D on one of the exchange companies in the State of Kuwait, in accordance with the provisions of Article (15) of Law No. (106) of 2013 issued on combating money laundering and terrorist financing, as amended.

The imposition of this penalty comes as a result of the inspection mission conducted on the exchange company in the field of verifying its compliance with the requirements of combating money-laundering, terrorist financing and the financing of the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction in line with the instructions issued by the Central Bank of Kuwait in this regard. The penalty was imposed as a result of:

- Repeated violation of Article (Nineteenth/6) of the instructions issued on 16/02/2023 regarding Anti-Money Laundering and Combating the Financing of Terrorism.
- Repeated violation of Article (Twentieth/11) of the instructions issued on 16/02/2023 regarding Anti-Money Laundering and Combating the Financing of Terrorism.
- Violation of Article (Tenth) of the instructions issued on 16/02/2023 regarding Anti-Money Laundering and Combating the Financing of Terrorism.

The Central Bank of Kuwait always seeks, through its supervisory and regulatory functions, to ensure that all exchange companies and their employees comply with the laws in force in the State of Kuwait, and the regulations and standards approved by it, with the aim of maintaining the transparency and integrity of work in exchange companies and protecting the financial system of the State.