

## FEBRUARY 2021 FATF STATEMENT

On 21 February 2021, the Financial Action Task Force (FATF) issued an updated public statement identifying jurisdictions that may pose a risk to the international financial system. Relevant Persons should familiarise themselves with the updated statements and take appropriate measures, including in accordance with their respective AML/CFT obligations. This is an ongoing requirement.

## **FATF Public Statement**

The FATF has issued a public statement identifying jurisdictions that have strategic deficiencies in their anti-money laundering and counter-terrorist financing (AML/CFT) regimes for which a call for action applies.

The FATF public statement can be found <u>here</u>.

## Jurisdictions under Increased Monitoring

The FATF has also issued an updated statement on Jurisdictions under increased monitoring that are actively working with the FATF to address strategic deficiencies in their regimes to counter money laundering, terrorist financing, and proliferation financing. In addition, the FATF provides information on jurisdictions that are no longer under increased monitoring by FATF.

FATF requests that members consider the information for the specified countries as part of their AML/CTF assessments and related actions.

The FATF Jurisdictions under Increased Monitoring can be found here.

Further information in relation to high-risk AML/CTF and other monitored jurisdictions can be sourced at the <u>FATF Website</u>.

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