DEALINGS WITH SPECIFIED PERSONS AND IN RESTRICTED CURRENCIES

In exercise of the powers conferred by subsection 216(1) and section 261 of the Financial Services Act 2013 [Act 758] and subsection 227(1) and section 272 of the Islamic Financial Services Act 2013 [Act 759], the Bank, with the approval of the Minister, issues the following direction:

Commencement date
1. This Direction shall come into operation on 30 June 2013.

Definition
2. In this Direction, unless the context otherwise requires –

“restricted currency” includes –
(a) currency notes or coins which are legal tender in the State of Israel;
(b) any right to receive such currency or coins -
   (i) in respect of any credit or balance at a licensed onshore bank or any other similar institution in or outside Malaysia; or
   (ii) from any person in or outside Malaysia; or
(c) any document or device of kind intended to enable the person to whom the document or device is issued to obtain such currency from another person on the credit of the person issuing it, and in particular, any traveller’s cheque or other draft or letter of credit so intended;

“specified person” means –
(a) the State of Israel or its residents; or
(b) any entity owned or controlled, directly or indirectly, by the State of Israel or its residents including any authority or agency of the State of Israel in whatever name or style;
Dealings with specified person
3. A resident or a non-resident in Malaysia shall not undertake or engage in any dealing or transaction with the specified person.

Dealings in the restricted currency
4. A resident or a non-resident in Malaysia shall not undertake or engage with any person in any dealing or transaction using or involving the restricted currency.

Requirement on licensed onshore bank
5. A licensed onshore bank shall open an account for the specified person or in the restricted currency with the approval of the Bank.