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To All Commercial Banks Operating in the Sultanate

After compliments,

Subject: Withholding ID Cards Pertaining to Visitors of Commercial Banks

1. With reference to Circular No. 5223/2007/د ت م/ق ب ت issued on 8 Sha'ban 1428 AH, corresponding to 8 August 2007;
2. Please note that Royal Oman Police has recently contacted us regarding the withholding of ID cards pertaining to visitors of commercial banks. ROP has warned that this act is illegal and contradicts the core objectives of carrying the ID card at all times, based on Article (44) of the Civil Status Law issued under Royal Decree No. (66/99) wherein the ID card shall be carried at all times and presented to public authorities only.
3. Therefore, all commercial banks operating in the Sultanate shall abide by the above law and desist from observing the Article stipulating the withholding of the ID card mentioned in the Guidebook for Banking Security Precautionary Measures 2007 in accordance with Circular No. د ت م/ق ب 5223/2007/ت and find other means to achieve the purpose of withholding the card.

Regards,

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The Executive President**