## CERTIFICATION REGARDING CORRESPONDENT ACCOUNTS FOR FOREIGN BANKS

## [OMB CONTROL NUMBER 1506-0043]

The information contained in this Certification is sought pursuant to Sections 5318(j) and 5318(k) of Title 31 of the United State Code, as added by sections 313 and 319(b) of the USA PATRIOT Act of 2001 (Public Law 107-56).

This Certification should be completed by any foreign bank that maintains a correspondent account with any U.S. bank or broker-dealer in securities (a covered financial institution as defined in 31 CFR 1010.605(e)). An entity that is not a foreign bank is not required to complete this Certification.

A foreign bank is a bank organized under foreign law and located outside of the United States (see definition at 31 CFR 1010.100(u)). A bank includes offices, branches, and agencies of commercial banks or trust companies, private banks, national banks, thrift institutions, credit unions, and other organizations chartered under banking laws and supervised by banking supervisors of any state (see definition at 31 CFR 1010.100(d)).<sup>1</sup>

A **correspondent account** for a foreign bank is any account to receive deposits from, make payments or other disbursements on behalf of a foreign bank, or handle other financial transactions related to the foreign bank.

Special instructions for foreign branches of U.S. banks: A branch or office of a U.S. bank outside the United State is a foreign bank. Such a branch or office is not required to complete this Certification with respect to Correspondent Accounts with U.S. branches and offices of the same U.S. bank.

Special instructions for covering multiple branches on a single Certification: A foreign bank may complete one Certification for its branches and offices outside the United States. The Certification must list all of the branches and offices that are covered and must include the information required in Part C for **each** branch or office that maintains a Correspondent Account with a Covered Financial Institution. Use attachment sheets as necessary.

A. The undersigned financial institution, BANCA MONTE DEI PASCHI DI SIENA ("Foreign Bank") hereby certifies as follows:

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> A "foreign bank" does not include any foreign central bank or monetary authority that functions as a central bank, or any international financial institution or regional development bank formed by treaty or international agreement.

В.	Correspondent Accounts Covered by this Certification: Check one box.			
	☐ This Certification applies to all accounts established for Foreign Bank by Covered Financial Institutions.			
	☐ This Certification applies to Correspondent Accounts established by(name of Covered Financial Institution(s)) for Foreign Bank.			
C.	. Physical Presence/Regulated Affiliate Status: Check one box and complete the blanks.			
	<ul> <li>Foreign Banks maintains a physical presence in any country. That means:</li> <li>Foreign Bank has a place of business at the following street address: Piazza Salimbeni 3, 53100 Siena, where Foreign Bank employs one or more individuals on a full-time basis and maintains operating records related to its banking activities.</li> <li>The above address is in Italy, where Foreign Bank is authorized to conduct banking activities.</li> <li>Foreign Bank is subject to inspection by Bank of Italy, the banking authority that licensed Foreign Bank to conduct banking activities.</li> </ul>			
	<ul> <li>Foreign Bank does not have a physical presence in any country, but Foreign Bank is a regulated affiliate. That means:</li> <li>Foreign Bank is an affiliate of a depository institution, credit union, or a foreign bank that maintains a physical presence at the following street address:         where it employs one or more persons on a full-time basis and maintains operating records related to its banking activities.</li> <li>The above address is in</li></ul>			
	☐ Foreign Bank does <b>not</b> have a physical presence in a country and is <b>not</b> a regulated affiliate.			
D.	Indirect Use of Correspondent Accounts: Check box to certify.			
	No Correspondent Account maintained by a Covered Financial Institution may be used to indirectly provide banking services to certain foreign banks. Foreign Bank			

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hereby certifies that it does **not** use any Correspondent Account with a Covered Financial Institution to indirectly provide banking services to any foreign bank that does not maintain a physical presence in any country and that is not a regulated affiliate.

Ownership Information: Check box 1 or	r 2 below, <b>if applicable.</b>
Form FR Y-7 and has disclosed its ow 2. Foreign Bank's shares are public on an exchange or an organized over-	Bank has filed with the Federal Reserve Board a current mership information on Item 4 of Form FR Y-7. Ely traded. Publicly traded means that the shares are traded the-counter market that is regulated by a foreign securities 50) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C.)
If neither box 1 or 2 of Part E is checked	d, complete Item 3 below, if applicable.
owner means any person who, directly percent or more of any class of voting controls in any manner the election of a functions) of Foreign Bank. For purpobank, corporation, partnership, limits securities or other voting interests a vote for or select directors (or individuant same family shall be considered one	
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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The same family means parents, spouses, children, siblings, uncles, aunts, grandparents, grandchildren, first cousins, stepchildren, stepsiblings, parents-in-law and spouses of any of the foregoing. In determining the ownership interests of the same family, any voting interest of any family member shall be taken into account.

## F. Process Agent: complete the following.

The following individual or entity: GLOBAL PAYMENTS ADVISORY GROUP ("GPAG") is a resident of the United States at the following street address: 90 Village Green – Bardonia – NY 10954, and is authorized to accept service of legal process on behalf of Foreign Bank from the Secretary of the Treasury or the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Section 5318(k) of title 31, United States Code.

## G. General

Foreign Bank hereby agrees to notify in writing each Covered Financial Institution at which it maintains any Correspondent Account of any change in facts or circumstances reported in this Certification. Notification shall be given within 30 calendar days of such change.

Foreign Bank understands that each Covered Financial Institution at which it maintains a Correspondent Account may provide a copy of this Certification to the Secretary of the Treasury and the Attorney General of the United States. Foreign Bank further understands that the statements contained in this Certification may be transmitted to one or more departments or agencies of the United States of America for the purpose of fulfilling such departments' and agencies' governmental functions.

We, Mario De Luca and Roberto Regoli, certify that we have read and understand this Certification, that the statements made in this Certification are complete and correct, and that we are authorized to execute this Certification on behalf of Foreign Bank.

BANCA MONTE DEI PASCHI DI SIENA SPA

Mario De Luca

Head of International Division

Roberto Regoli Head of AML-CFT

Executed on this 18 day of September 2024.

Attachment to BMPS CERTIFICATION REGARDING CORRESPONDENT ACCOUNTS FOR FOREIGN BANKS (OMB CONTROL NUMBER 1506-0043)

[for the purposes of sections 5318(j) and 5318(k) of title 31 of the Unites States Code, as added by Sections 313 and 319(b) of the USA Patriot Act of 2001 (Public Law 107-56)]

RANCA MONTE DEI PASCHI DI SIENA SPA RRANCHES COVERED RY THE CERTIFICATION

Local Supervisory Authority	Bank of Italy	China Banking Regulatory Commission
Branch Address (physical presence) Local Supervisory Au	Piazza Salimbeni, 3 53100 Siena (SI) Italy	Unit 2501-2504, 25th Floor Platinum Building 233, Taicang Road Shanghai 200020 P.R.China
NIE DEI FASCHI DI SIENA SE Branch	BMPS Head Office and all Italian Branches	BMPS Shanghai Branch
Country	Italy	P.R.China

Siena, 18 September 2024

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