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## **Circular to Money Service Operators**

## Amendment to Guideline on Anti-Money Laundering and Counter-Terrorist Financing

The Customs and Excise Department ("C&ED") published in the Gazette on 27 March 2015 (G.N. 2446 of 2015) an amended Guideline on Anti-Money Laundering and Counter-Terrorist Financing ("amended AML Guideline") which takes effect from 1 April 2015.

The amended AML Guideline was made in order to reflect the amendment of section 18(5) of Schedule 2 to the Anti-Money Laundering and Counter-Terrorist Financing (Financial Institutions) Ordinance to enable financial institutions to continue relying on certain specified intermediaries to carry out customer due diligence measures until 31 March 2018.

The amended AML Guideline is available on the C&ED's website (<u>https://eservices.customs.gov.hk/MSOS/common/guidelines?request\_locale=</u> <u>en</u>).

Should you have any queries regarding the contents of this circular, please contact us on 3759 3742.

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