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Dear Readers,

This is just to inform you that the Central Bank yesterday allowed foreign banks with a branch in Myanmar to service local business entities in the same manner as local banks. Previously, foreign banks were only allowed to service foreign-invested entities and provide export financing to local entities.

An English translation of the directive can be downloaded here: <u>https://tinyurl.com/yd9envu3</u>

This is a major market access improvement. Furthermore, local businesses will have better access to financing and – possibly and hopefully – better banking services in general.

Foreign banks are still barred from providing banking services to Myanmar individuals.

We hope that you have enjoyed reading our newsletter and found it useful.

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