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To the financial intermediaries

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Information on the introduction of a new data processing system at MROS

Dear Sir / Madam,

The Money Laundering Reporting Office Switzerland MROS is introducing a new system for submitting and processing suspicious activity reports. The new system will allow financial intermediaries to submit their reports through an online platform.

What will change with the new system and what are its advantages?

- In the future, suspicious activity reports, their attachments and additional information will be uploaded and submitted online only.
- Documents that must be submitted to MROS upon request may no longer be sent by fax or post but submitted via online platform.
- Large volumes of data can be uploaded via an XML interface.

When will the new system be introduced?

The definite changeover to the new data processing system is expected at the beginning of 2019. MROS does not intend to operate the old and new system in parallel. The exact dates of the changeover as well as of the training for financial intermediaries, which is planned for the third quarter of 2018, will be communicated in good time.

What steps can be taken in the meantime?

To simplify the process of generating a suspicious activity report, data can be uploaded electronically via an XML interface. Although the financial intermediary can file a report manually at any time, doing so involves a certain amount of effort for large volumes of data (e.g. in the case of multiple transactions). Financial intermediaries who wish to upload data electronically

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via an XML interface are therefore advised to plan and make the necessary internal arrangements as early as possible. During the first quarter of 2018 MROS will communicate the technical details concerning the XML interface structure.

If you have any questions, you can contact:

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Yours sincerely,

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