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**REGISTRATION OF RESIDENT AGENTS ON THE**  
**BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP PLATFORM**

*This circular is being issued to update and provide guidance to resident agents prescribed under sub- section (c) (d) (e) and (f) of the interpretation of Resident Agent (“RA”) in Section 3 of the Beneficial Ownership Act, 2020 as amended (“BO Act”), in regards to the registration on the goAML platform and population of beneficial ownership (“BO”) information onto the Seychelles BO Database.*

Pursuant to the provision of section 13 of the BO Act, the Financial Intelligence Unit (“FIU”) has been designated as the nodal agency to maintain the Seychelles BO Database. This includes the population of the database with BO information reported by legal persons and legal arrangements, through their respective resident agent (“RA”).

In line with the above requirement, the FIU is issuing this circular which serves to notify all legal persons, legal arrangements and their respective RA, of the following;

- i. As the testing phase on the goAML (the platform hosting the Seychelles BO Database) nears its completion, be informed that effective **June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2021** all RAs can register on the goAML platform. The link for online registration will be accessible on the FIU’s website ([www.seychellesfiu.sc](http://www.seychellesfiu.sc)), together with relevant guidance on the registration requirements to facilitate the process; and
- ii. Effective **July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021** the goAML platform will be accessible to allow RAs to commence populating BO information of legal persons or legal arrangement prescribed under Part B of the First Schedule of the BO Act.

To ensure that all legal persons, legal arrangements and their respective RA are provided with sufficient time to populate the BO database, a three (3) months period from July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021 to October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021 will be afforded, to complete the population of BO information.

As such, the FIU urges all legal persons, legal arrangements and their respective RA to register prior to the launch of the BO database to ensure compliance with the provisions of the BO Act by July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021.

Should you have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact the Information and International Co-operation Division on Tel: (+248) 4383470 or email to [beneficial.ownership@fiu.sc](mailto:beneficial.ownership@fiu.sc).

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