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TO ALL MEMBER FIRMS
FURTHER UPDATES ON THE OPERATION OF FIRMS DURING TOTAL LOCKDOWN

We refer to Circular [MF19/2021 Updates on the Operation of Firms During Total Lockdown](#) dated 17 June 2021 where member firms were briefed on action Institute's actions in seeking approval from the Ministry of Finance (MOF) for MIA member firms to operate since 30 May 2021.

The Institute is pleased to inform that after several engagements with the MOF and other related agencies, the professional accountancy firms under MIA's sup have been given the approval to operate during the Total Lockdown.

Member firms will only be allowed to operate after the Standard Operation Procedures (SOP) have been approved by Majlis Keselamatan Negara (MKN) services of professional accountancy firms are announced by MKN as part of essential services.

In preparation for the announcement by Majlis Keselamatan Negara (MKN) to include services by professional accountancy firms as part of essential services, I prepared the Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) applicable for professional accountancy firms and forwarded it to the MOF for verification. The MOF will th the necessary approval from MKN before MKN would list services by professional accountancy firms as part of essential services.

The Institute is also currently liaising with the Ministry of International Trade and Industry (MITI) for the permission to use MITI's COVID-19 Intelligent Mana System (CIMS) to churn out approval letters for MIA member firms to facilitate the movement of employees and operations at office premises.

We will continue our effort to represent member firms' interest and will inform member firms once the administrative matters regarding operation of memb have been sorted out.

Please be guided accordingly.

Thank you.

Yours faithfully

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