
FINAL NOTICE

To: Knightsbridge Foreign Currency Exchange Limited

Address: 3 William Street
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FRN: 555709

Dated: 30 May 2014

ACTION

1. For the reasons set out below and pursuant to Regulation 10(1)(e) (as applied by Regulation 14) of the Payment Services Regulations 2009 ("the PSR"), the Authority has decided to cancel the registration granted to Knightsbridge Foreign Currency Exchange Limited ("KFCE"), as a Small Payment Institution ("SPI") under the PSR ("KFCE's registration").
2. The Authority gave KFCE a Decision Notice on 30 April 2014 ("the Decision Notice"), which notified KFCE that for the reasons given below and pursuant to Regulation 10(1)(e) of the PSR, the Authority had decided to cancel the registration granted to KFCE as an SPI under the PSR.
3. KFCE has not referred the matter to the Tribunal within 28 days of the date on which the Decision Notice was given to it.
4. Accordingly, the Authority has today cancelled KFCE's registration as a small payment institution.

DEFINITIONS

5. The definitions below are also used in this Final Notice:

"the Act" means the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000;

"the Authority" means the body corporate previously known as the Financial Services Authority and renamed on 1 April 2013 as the Financial Conduct Authority;

"the MLR" means the Money Laundering Regulations 2007;

"the Tribunal" means the Upper Tribunal (Tax and Chancery Chamber).

REASONS FOR THE ACTION

6. On the basis of the facts and matters and conclusions described in the Warning Notice issued to KFCE dated 9 April 2014, and in the Decision Notice, the Authority has concluded that KFCE is no longer meeting the conditions for registration as an SPI.
7. KFCE was registered by the Authority on 28 February 2012, as an SPI to carry on the payment services activity of money remittance. As a condition of its registration as an SPI, KFCE was required to be included in a register maintained under the MLR pursuant to Regulation 13(6) of the PSR. On 2 April 2013, Her Majesty's Revenue & Customs removed KFCE from the register maintained under the MLR.
8. The Authority has therefore concluded that KFCE is no longer meeting the conditions for registration as an SPI under the PSR, specifically the condition in Regulation 13(6), and that its registration as an SPI in accordance with Regulation 10(1)(e) of the PSR (as applied by Regulation 14), should be cancelled.

DECISION MAKER

9. The decision which gave rise to the obligation to give this Final Notice was made by the Regulatory Decisions Committee.

IMPORTANT

10. This Final Notice is given to KFCE in accordance with section 390(1) of the Act (as applied by paragraph 7(b) of Part 1 of Schedule 5 to the PSR).

Publicity

11. Section 391(4), 391(6) and 391(7) of the Act (as applied by paragraph 7(c) of Part 1 of Schedule 5 of the PSR) apply to the publication of information about the matter to which this Final Notice relates. Under those provisions, the Authority must publish such information about the matter to which this Final Notice relates as the Authority considers appropriate. The information may be published in such manner as the Authority considers appropriate. However, the Authority may not publish information if such publication would, in the opinion of the Authority, be unfair to KFCE or prejudicial to the interests of consumers.
12. The Authority intends to publish such information about the matter to which this Final Notice relates as it considers appropriate.

Authority contact

13. For more information concerning this matter generally, please contact Adam Doe at the Authority (direct line: 0207 066 5522).

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