National Bank eliminates restrictions regarding the repatriation of dividends

On 9 July 2019, the Board of the National Bank of Ukraine (the "National Bank") adopted Resolution No. 91 "On Amending Certain Regulations of the National Bank of Ukraine" (the "Resolution"). Amendments introduced by the Resolution became effective on 10 July 2019.

The Resolution completely eliminates all restrictions on payment of dividends to non-residents. However, general requirements and formalities regarding payment of dividends (e.g., corporate law) still apply.

To recap, the National Bank initially introduced the restriction on repatriation of dividends in 2014. Subsequently, the National Bank softened this restriction and allowed repatriation of dividends within certain limits and for certain periods.

The Resolution continues the National Bank's policy of softening temporary currency control restrictions, as declared after adoption of Law of Ukraine "On Currency and Currency Transactions" No. 2473-VIII. The main purpose of this liberalization is to establish the free flow of capital.

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