# AML/CFT COMPLIANCE OBLIGATIONS

#### GUIDE TO CASINOS AND GAMBLING HOUSES

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# What Is Money Laundering?

The processing of criminal proceeds (profits or other benefits) in order to disguise their illegal origin (The Financial Action Task Force - FATF).



## Three Stages of Money Laundering

Placement of
Proceeds of
Criminal Activities
through

- Cash deposits
- Cash transportation to other countries



- Wire transfers
- Split and merge through bank deposits
- Cash deposits to other accounts

**Integration** of funds through

- Investments in financial instruments
- Purchasing luxury goods such as gems, jewelleries or properties
- Investments in businesses



#### Case Study: ML Using Casinos and Gambling Houses

A casino in country 'A' has observed that a group of foreign nationals were buying winning lottery tickets from their original winners. The Casino submitted an STR on those foreigners and the investigations found that the proceeds from the lotteries were deposited in bank accounts located in country A.

The source of funds mentioned in the CDD information obtained by the banks was casino proceeds. Deposited funds were also immediately withdrawn from the accounts.

The case was refereed to law enforcement agencies for further investigations.



## What Is Terrorist Financing?

- Providing funds for terrorism activities
- Funds can be earned through;

Legitimate Sources

**Criminal Sources** 



#### WHY ARE YOU UNDER AML/CFT COMPLIANCE OBLIGATIONS?

"Institution" defined under Sec. 33 of the Financial Transactions Reporting Act No. 6 of 2006 (FTRA)

#### **Finance Business**

Non-Finance Business

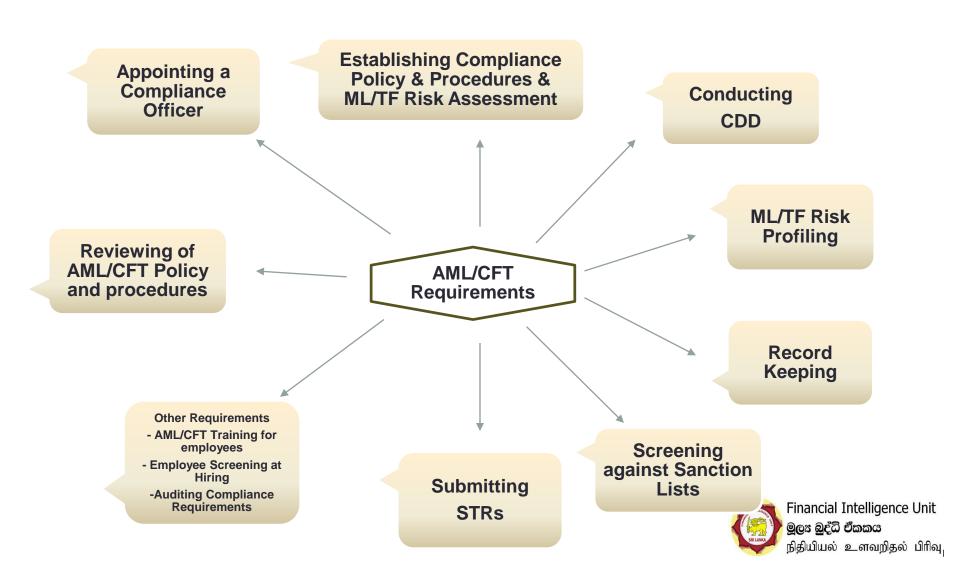
- Licensed Banks
- Licensed Finance Companies
- Insurance Companies
- Stock Brokering Firms
- Authorized Money Changers
- Money Value Service Providers

#### Casinos & Gambling Houses

- Real Estate Agents
- Dealers in Precious Metals & Stones
- Lawyers & Notaries
- Accountants
- Trusts & company service Providers



#### How To Protect the Institution From ML/TF Risk?



# AML/CFT REQUIREMENTS FOR CASINOS AND GAMBLING HOUSES



## Appointing a "Compliance Officer (CO)"

**How to Appoint a CO?** 

Fill the "Compliance Officer Registration Form"



It can be downloaded from www.fiusrilanka.gov.lk



Submit to the FIU following instructions on the FIU website



- > Co must be at the Senior
  Management Level
- CO must have direct access to Board of Directors / Top

  Management



## **Duties of the Compliance Officer**

COs are responsible to make sure the Institution's compliance with the AML/CFT Obligation by attending on the following tasks;

- Assessing the overall ML/TF Risk of the Institution
- Periodically updating the Institutional ML/TF Risk
- Preparing the AML/CFT Compliance Policy Document
- Obtaining the approval of the Board/Top Management for the policy
- Making aware all levels of the Institution of the Risk assessment and the Policy
- Implementing measures to conduct Customer Due Diligence for customers
- Implementing measures to screen the customers against the designated sanctions lists
- Conducting ML/TF Risk Profiling of the customers
- Implementing procedures for record keeping, submission of STRs, employee screening
- Maintaining an independent audit function to audit AML/CFT functions



# 3. AML/CFT Compliance Policy and Procedures > Should Be

Written



Management approved





Well communicated among all the employees and staff

Reviewed periodically





## **AML/CFT Compliance Policies/Procedures**

If the Institution doesn't have an AML/CFT Policy & Procedures



Refer following documents to prepare an AML/CFT policy and procedures

- 1. Financial Transactions Reporting Act No. 6 of 2006
- 2.Designated Non-Finance Business (Customer Due Diligence Rules) No. 1 of 2018
- 3. Guidelines on AML/CFT Compliance Obligations for Casinos and Gambling Houses No. 2 of 2018



## Conducting ML/TF Risk Assessment for Institution



# Risk Assessment for the Institution



- I. Identify the Risk (High/Low)
- II. Establish
  Mitigating
  Measures for
  High Risk
  Situations

See the given Example Checklist on conducting this risk assessment



	YES	NO	MITIGATION MEASURES
Customer Risk			
Do you have clients that:			
operate in a cash intensive business?			
reside outside Sri Lanka?			
are intermediaries or "gatekeepers" such as professionals that hold accounts for clients where the identity of the underlying client is not disclosed to you?			
are located in a known high crime rate area?			
the nature of their business makes it difficult to identify the true owners or controllers?			
are politically exposed persons?			
do not have an address or who have several addresses without justified reason?			
have a criminal record? have links to organized crime?			



	YES	NO	N/A
Product/Service Risk			
Do you offer products or services that:			
make it difficult to fully identify clients?			
assist in the establishment of a company?			
Do you:			
perform tasks for the purpose of concealing the client's beneficial owner?			
perform tasks of real estate transfer between clients in an unusually short time period without visible legal, economic or other justified reason?			
provide services linked with establishing, operating or managing of a shell company, company in nominal ownership?			



Delivery Channels/Business Relationships Risk	YES	NO	N/A
Do you:			
conduct non-face-to-face transactions?			
Do you have business relationships that:			
involve complicated financial transactions?			
involve payments towards/from third persons and cross-border payments?			
involve high risk real estate transactions?			
involve cash payments?			



Geographical Risk	YES	NO	N/A
Do you or your clients operate or undertake activities in			
the following countries:			
Any country subject to sanctions, embargoes or similar measures issued by the United Nations (UNSCR)?			
Any country identified as a financial secrecy haven or jurisdiction?			
Any country identified by the Financial Action Task Force (FATF) as non-cooperative in the fight against money laundering or terrorist financing or subject to a FATF statement?			
Any country identified by credible sources as lacking appropriate money laundering or terrorist financing laws and regulations or as providing funding or support for terrorist activities?			
Any country that is known to have significant levels of corruption, or other criminal activity?			



## **Conducting Customer Due Diligence**



### Conducting Customer Due Diligence (CDD)? WHEN?





Casinos, gambling houses or conducting of a lottery, including a person who carries on such a business through the internet when a customer engages in financial transactions in Sri Lankan Rupees or in any foreign currency equivalent to or above United States Dollars 3,000;

How?

Identification

WHO?

- Customer
- **Beneficial Owner**

Verification



Make a copy of ID/Passport/Driving License



#### **Customer/Beneficial Owner Identification**



#### WHAT TO COLLECT?

## As per the Rule 11 of the CDD Rules for DNFBPs

- (a) the full name;
- (b) permanent residential or mailing address;
- (c) occupation, name of employer, business or principal activity;
- (d) an official personal identification number or any other Identification document that bears a photograph of the customer or beneficial owner such as the National Identity Card, passport or driving license;
- (e) date of birth;
- (f) nationality;
- (g) source of funds;
- (h) purpose of transaction;
- (i) telephone numbers (residence, office or mobile).



## **Customers' ML/TF Risk Profiling**



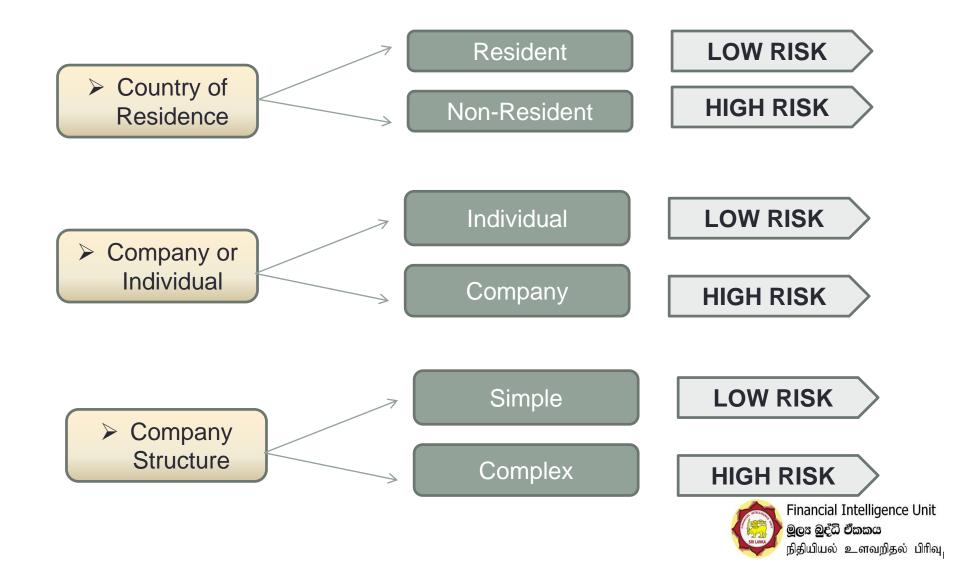
## Risk Profiling for Customers on Collected Data

Risk Profiling for Customers Higher Risk Customers for ML/TF

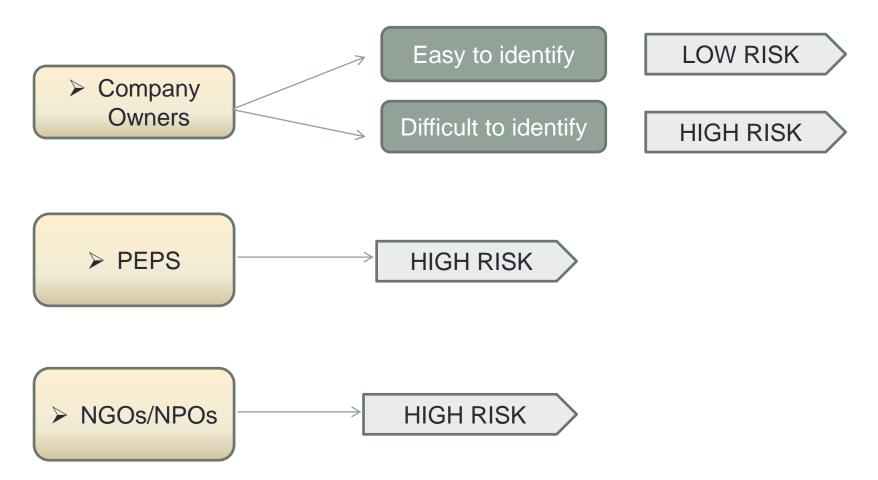
Lower Risk
Customers for
ML/TF



### Ex. How to Profile Customers on ML/TF Risks?

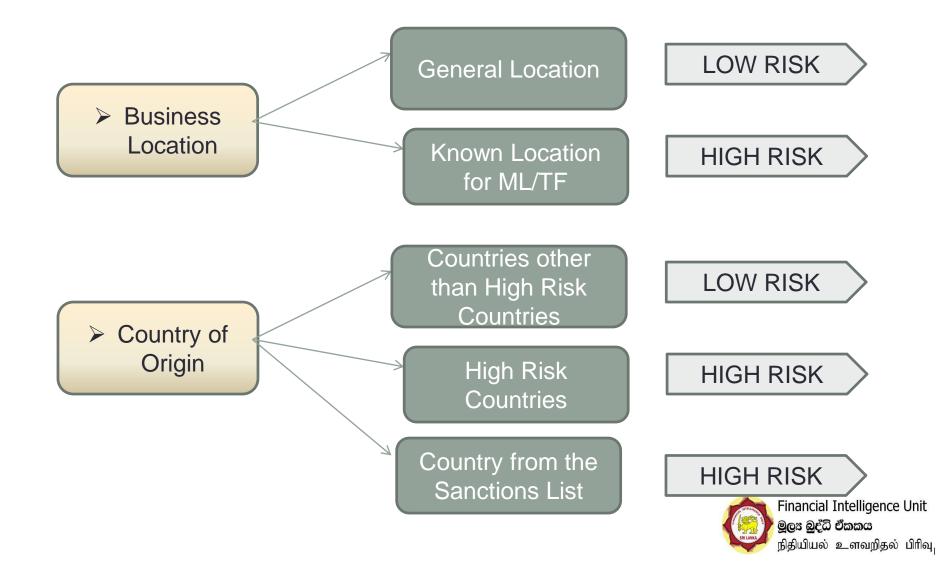


# Customer Risk Profiling Cntd...

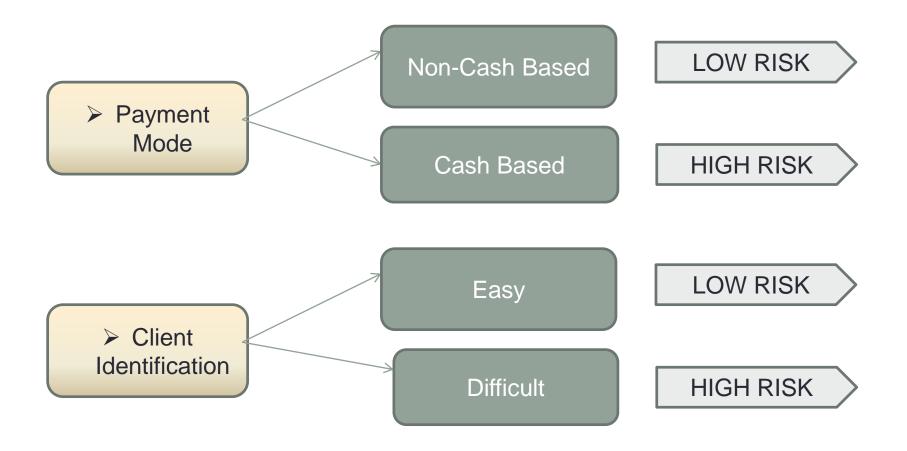




# Ex. Geographical Risk

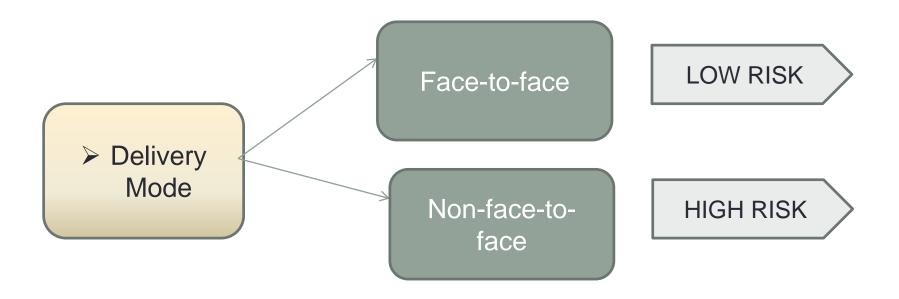


## Ex. Products/Services Risk





# **Ex. Delivery Channel Risk**





## **CDD For Legal Persons and Legal Arrangements**



## When the Customer is a Company?

- Nature of Business
- Ownership
- Control Structure

Understand the Customer

Identify the Customer by obtaining following

- Name
- Type of legal Person/Arrangement
- Proof of Existence (Memorandum/Article s/Certificate of Incorporation
- Directors Resolutions
- Names of Senior Management
- Address of Registered Office

- Identity of all directors and shareholders with equity interest of more than ten per cent
- Authorization given for any person to represent the legal person
- When a legal person's controlling interest is vested with another legal person, non- finance business shall
- Identify the natural person who controls the legal person to whom the controlling interest is vested with.

Identify the Natural
Person



# **Customer Risk Profiling**

#### Identify the ML Risk

 The ML/TF risk to be assessed for each and every customer

# Rate the Customer

- Rate the risk level
- Institution can determine the matrix for the grading of risk level
- Ex : High/Low or High/Medium/Low

# Document the Risk Rating

Risk Rating of each customer must be documented

## ECDD for High Risk Customers

 Enhanced CDD must be carried out for customers identified as high risk



### An Example for Customer Risk Assessment and Profiling:

	Risk Assessment Criterion	Lower Risk	Higher Risk
1.	Type of Customer:	An individual	A legal person or a legal arrangement
		A resident	A non-Resident
		Customers from non-Higher Risk Countries	Customers from higher Risk Countries
		Non-PEP customers	Higher Risk Domestic PEP or Foreign PEPs
2.	Type of Transaction Relative to Customer	Normal frequency and normal value	High frequency & high value or suspicious patterns in conducting transactions such as splitting
3.	Mode of Delivery	Over the counter or face-to-face	Internet based or phone based
4.	Destination country (for remittance)	Non-high-risk countries	Higher risk countries
		Own country	Other country that appear unrelated
5.	Jurisdiction or Country of Origin	Same jurisdiction or country	Different jurisdictions or countries
			High number of inward transactions, followed by immediate withdrawals



# Enhanced Customer Due Diligence (ECDD)





# To Whom ?

Customers rated as High Risk

Politically Exposed Persons

Non-face to face customers

NGOs and NPOs

Customers from High Risk Countries

Legal Persons and Arrangements



#### **Enhanced Customer Due Diligence**

WHAT TO DO ?

Obtain Additional Information on Customer/Beneficial Owner

Obtain Approval from Senior Management

Obtain Additional Information on intended nature of relationship

Regularly update identification data



## **Record Keeping**



## **Keeping Records**

# WHAT are the records?

- CDD Information
- Copies of ID/Passport/ Driving License
- Transaction Records
- Correspondance relating to transactions
- Any other Report Furnished to the FIU

#### For How Long?

6 years from the date of closure of business relationship

6 years from the date of transaction

6 years from the date of correspondance

6 years from the date of furnishing the report

#### **HOWEVER**;

Must retain for more than 6 years if,

FIU directs to keep any information/record of transaction/report for such longer period



### **Screening Customers Against Sanction Lists**



# Screening Customers against Sanction Lists Published under "United Nations Security Council Resolutions (UNSCR)"

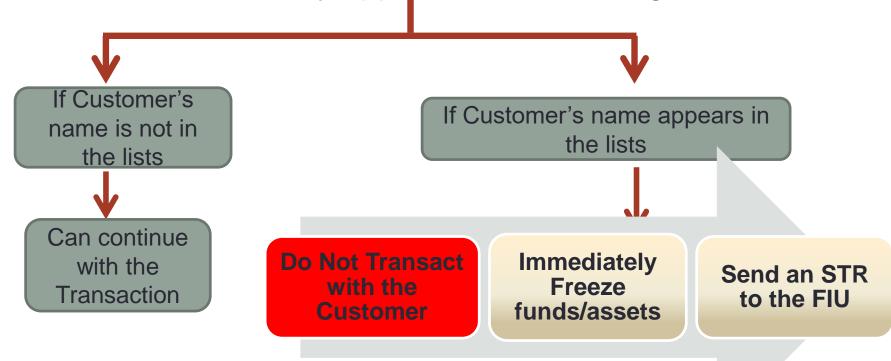
#### What is UNSCR?

Please Refer www.fiusrilanka.gov.lk/UNSanctions



# What Does the Institution Required To do?

Institutions should cross-check whether any customer/beneficiary appears on such designated lists





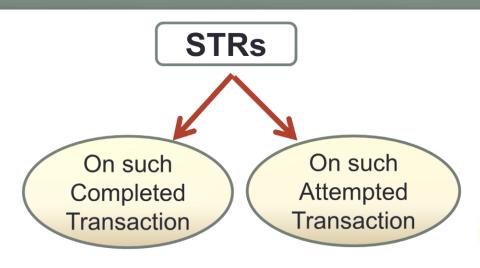
# Reporting of Suspicious Transactions



## Reporting Suspicious Transactions (STRs)

#### If the Institution has

- any suspicion that any transaction is related to commission of any unlawful activity or any other criminal offence
- ➤ information that Suspect may be relevant to an act preparatory to an offense under provisions of Convention on the Suppression of Terrorist Financing Act No. 25 of 2005 (CSFTA)
  - information that suspect may be relevant to an investigation/prosecution for an act of any unlawful activity or offense under CSFTA or PMLA





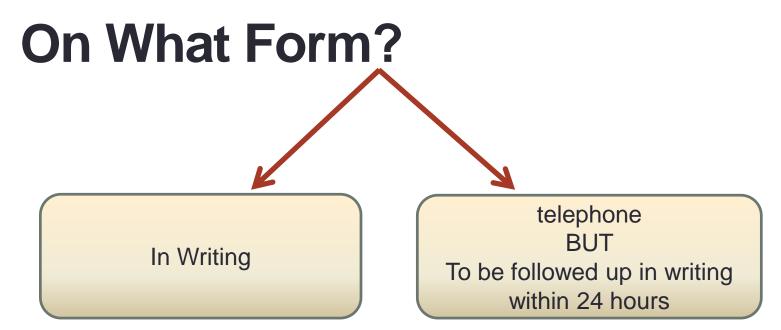
# **How Soon Shall Report?**

As soon as practicable after forming such suspicion









#### **How To Send STRs?**

Use Schedule V of the Suspicious Transactions (Format) Regulations of 2017

http://www.fiusrilanka.gov.lk/docs/Regulations/2015-56/2015-56(E).pdf



#### Schedule V

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District:

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	PARTA-DI	ETAILS OF	REPORT			
1	Date of Sending Report					
2	Is this replacement to an earlier report ?	Yes		No		
	PART B- INFOR	RMATION (	ON SUSPICIO	N		
3	Name in Full (if organization, provide registered business/organization name)					
4	Residential/ Registered Address					
5	NIC No. / Passport No./ Business Registration No.					
6	Gender	Male		Female		Ž.



7	Country of Residence and Nationality (if an individual)
8	Business/ Employment Type
9	Occupation (where appropriate, principal activity of the person conducting the transaction)
10	Name of Employer (where applicable)
11	Contact Details
	PART C-DESCRIPTION OF SUSPICION
12	Details of Transaction / Activity
13	Ground / Reasons for Suspicion



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	PART D-DETAILS OF REPORTING PERSON				
14	Date of Reporting				
15	Signature				
16	Name of Reporting Person/Agency				
17	NIC Number				
18	Designation / Occupation				
19	Address				
20	Contact Details				

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# **Red Flags for Suspicions**



# Some Red Flags for STRs

- Customers purchasing and redeeming chips or depositing and withdrawing funds with no gambling or minimal gambling.
- Customers requesting multiple payments of winnings and capital to the account of a third party.
- Multiple players requesting for payments to the same beneficiary.
- ➤ Gamblers who appear to be cooperating by placing offsetting bets against each other.
- Structuring the purchase or redemption of chips or other instruments to avoid trigging CDD requirements or other reporting requirements (whether real or perceived).
- Customers befriending/attempting to befriend casino employees.



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# Red Flags Cntd...

- ➤ Bill stuffing" by feeding currency to gambling devices that accept cash and then cashing out (e.g. by receiving a TITO ticket or other such instrument) with minimal or no actual gambling.
- Dramatic or rapid increase in size and frequency of transactions for an established customer.
- Gambling activity that is inconsistent with the financial situation and/or known occupation of the person gambling.
- Purchase of winning tickets from punters (gamblers).
- Purchasing of winning jackpots or winning lottery tickets at a premium; Exchanging large amount of small denomination bank notes for larger denominations without gambling.
- Frequent claims for winning jackpots.
- Customers watching/hanging around jackpots sites but not participate in gambling.
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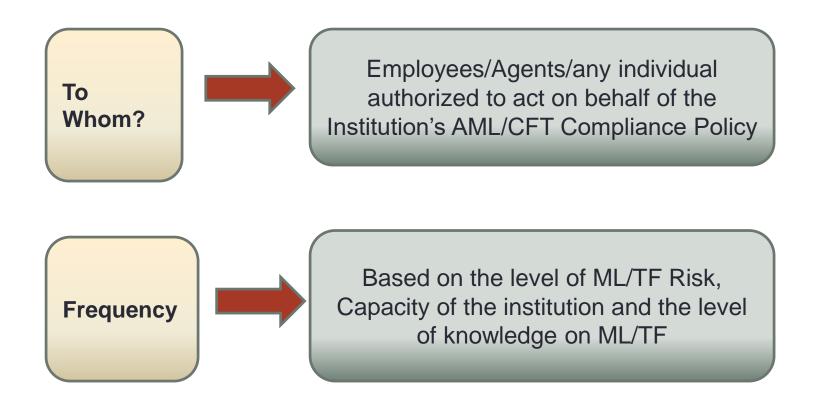
- > Customers passing significant values in chips or TITO tickets to other customers.
- Loaning funds for gambling to customers with repayment of the funds being a discounted amount.
- > Gambling patterns that appear designed to wager large sums at low risk over a period time, thus achieving a predictable low rate of loss prior to cashing out.
- > Customers reluctant to provide information to complete CDD requirements, or that provide doubtful or unverifiable identification information, or who in any other way appear to deliberately impede the Institution's CDD process.



# **Trainings on AML/CFT Obligations**



## **AML/CFT Training**

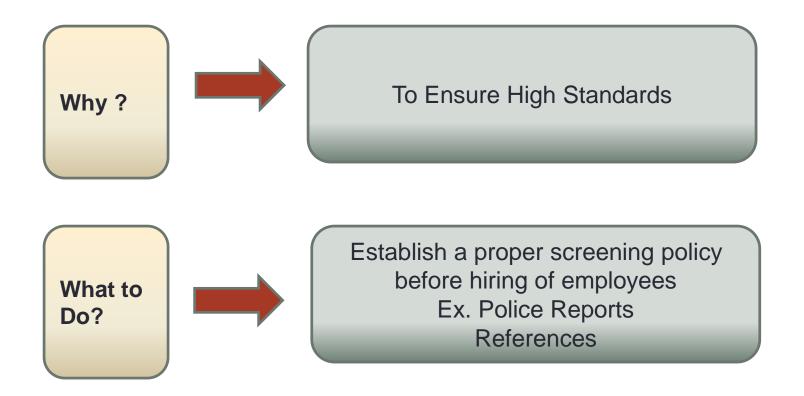




# **Screening Persons before Hiring**



## **Screening Employees before Hiring**

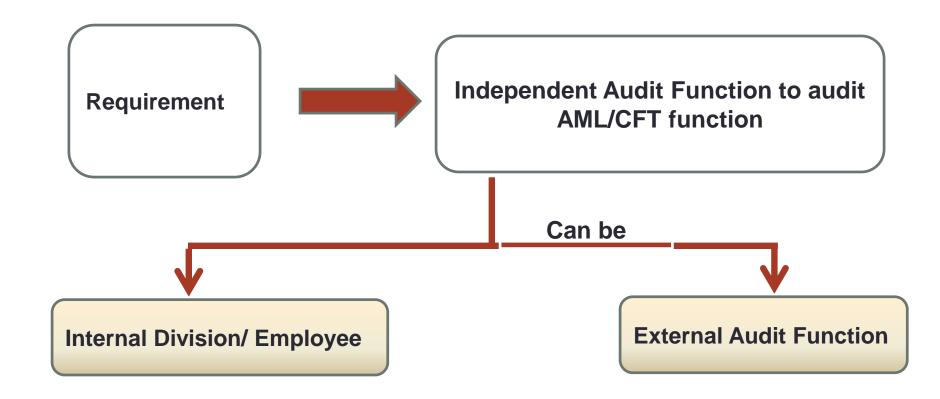




# **Auditing AML/CFT Measures**



#### **Establishing an Independent Audit Function**

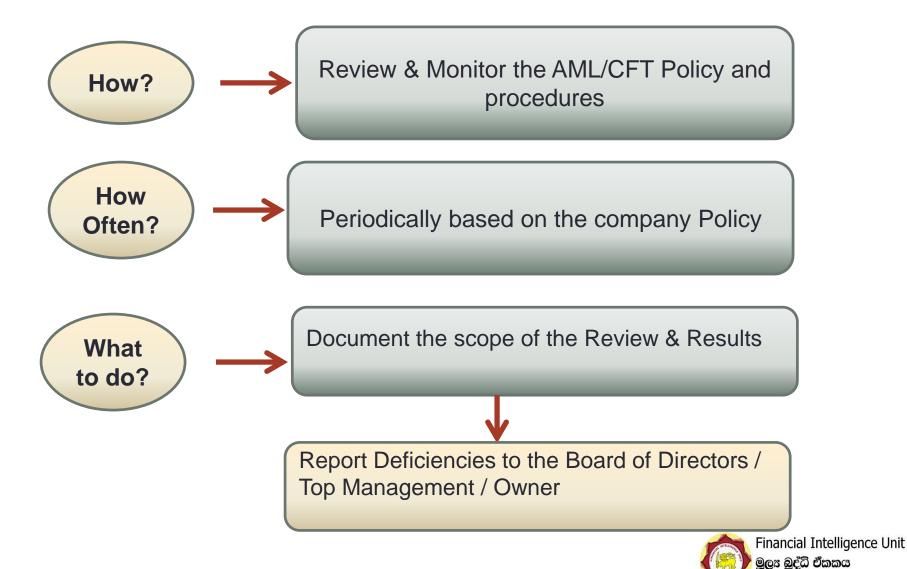


**Effective Maintenance of the AML/CFT Compliance Programme** 



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#### How to fulfill the AML/CFT Compliance Obligations effectively



Non-Compliance with AML/CFT Obligations?

Will lead to financial penalties and other actions including regulatory and disciplinary measures against the "Institution"



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