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March 11, 2024

### **SUBMITTED VIA PORTAL**

Commodity Futures Trading Commission Three Lafayette Centre 1155 21st Street, NW Washington, DC 20581

Re: Submission 24-02: Refinitiv US SEF LLC – Contract Amendments

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Pursuant to Commodity Futures Trading Commission (the "Commission") Regulation 40.2, LSEG FX SEF ("LSEG SEF"), operated by Refinitiv US SEF LLC, hereby notifies the Commission that it is amending certain contracts it submitted to the Commission on September 30, 2013, as amended by the filing Thomson Reuters (SEF) LLC made on February 27, 2017, and July 5, 2017 (each such contract, a "Contract"). Each amended Contract will become effective on March 25, 2024.

A concise explanation and analysis of the amendments to the Contracts and their compliance with applicable provisions of the Commodity Exchange Act (the "CEA") is attached hereto as <u>Exhibit A</u>. A clean copy of each amended Contract specification is attached hereto as <u>Exhibit B</u>, and a copy of each amended Contract specification marked to show changes against the versions submitted to the Commission on July 5, 2017, is attached hereto as <u>Exhibit C</u>.

LSEG SEF hereby certifies that: (i) the amended Contracts comply with the CEA and the Commission's regulations promulgated thereunder, and (ii) a notice and copy of this submission is being concurrently posted on LSEG SEF's website. No substantive opposing views were expressed with respect to the amendments to the Contracts.

Please contact me using the information below if you have any questions regarding these amendments to the Rulebook.

Stephanie Feldt Chief Compliance Officer 28 Liberty Street, New York, NY 10005 Stephanie.feldt@lseg.com



Sincerely,

Stephanie Feldt

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cc: Nancy Markowitz, Deputy Director, Division of Market Oversight, Market Review Branch

Marilee Dahlman, Special Counsel, Division of Market Oversight (Commodity Futures Trading Commission)



# **EXHIBIT A Explanation and Analysis of Material Amendments**

Amendment and Explanation	Relevant Law, Regulation or Guidance
Non-Deliverable Forward Contract	Core Principle 2
Amended Contract specification to state that settlement procedures and Spot FX calculations for cleared swaps will be in accordance with the Clearing House Rules.	
Added LCH Limited as the Clearing House.	
Added the following currency pairs as being available for voluntary clearing: USD/BRL, USD/CLP, USD/CNY, USD/COP, USD/IDR, USD/INR, USD/KRW, USD/MYR, USD/PEN, USD/PHP, USD/TWD.	



# EXHIBIT B Amended Contract Specifications (Clean)

## **RULE 1301 NON-DELIVERABLE FORWARDS**

Contract Overview	A non-deliverable forward (NDF) is an outright forward contract in which counterparties settle the difference between the contracted NDF price or rate and the prevailing spot price or rate on an agreed notional amount, and where settlement is performed in USD.
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Sol PHP Philippine Peso

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SCR Seychelles Rupee

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SRD Suriname Dollar

SSP South Sudan Pound

THB Thai Baht

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TMT Turkmenistan New Manat

TWD Taiwan Dollar

UAH Ukrainian Hryvnia

UYU Uruguayan Peso

VEF Venezuelan Bolívar

VND Vietnamese Dong

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XPF CPF Franc

YER Yemeni Rial

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#### **Deliverable Currencies**

**AED United Arab Emirates** 

Dirham AUD Australia Dollar

**BGN Bulgaria Lev** 

BHD Bahraini Dinar

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CAD Canada Dollar

CHF Switzerland Franc

CNH Offshore Chinese Renminbi

CZK Czech Republic Koruna

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**HKD Hong Kong Dollar** 

HRK Croatia Kuna

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Settlement Currency	Non-deliverable forwards (NDFs) settle in USD
Quoting Convention and Minimum Increment	Notional amount, as agreed by the counterparties
Minimum Size	Notional amount, as agreed by the counterparties
Notional Currency	Currency in which the contract size is expressed in
Trading Conventions	Buy or Sell which refers to the contract size expressed in notional currency
Forward Rate	Currency exchange rate expressed as the amount of reference currency per unit of non-reference currency
Trade Date	The date on which parties enter into the contract
Settlement Date	Specified settlement or payment date
Fixing Date	The date at which the forward rate is calculated
Settlement Procedure	As determined by the Clearing House or bilateral settlement performed in the Settlement Currency
Trading Hours	13:00 Sunday - 17:00 Friday Eastern Time



Clearing Venue	LCH Limited or bilateral for the following currency pairs: USD/BRL, USD/CLP, USD/CNY, USD/COP, USD/IDR, USD/INR, USD/KRW, USD/MYR, USD/PEN, USD/PHP, USD/TWD. Bilateral only for all other currency pairs.
Block Size	As set forth in Appendix F to Part 43 of the CFTC Regulations
Speculative Limits	As set forth in CFTC 17 CFR Part 150
Reportable Levels	As set forth in CFTC Regulation 15.03

### **Spot FX Rate Calculation**

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