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TO ALL DEPOSIT MONEY BANKS

PLEDGE OF N1BILLION (ONE BILLION NAIRA) WORTH OF GOVERNMENT/CBN SECURITIES FOR OTC TRADE SETTLEMENT

The Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN) in an effort to enhance efficiency in trading and post-trade activities and build confidence in the financial markets, hereby directs all Deposit Money Banks (DMBs) to pledge collateral of N1billion (one billion naira) worth of Government/CBN securities for OTC trade settlement.

The pledge requirement is mandatory for all DMBs that wish to participate in **OTC Trade Settlement**. Lack of provision of the pledge or failure to top-up a pledge when required will result in exclusion from the market.

This circular takes effect from June 1, 2018.

Please ensure compliance.

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