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Dear Sir, Madam,

We would like to stay some comments about the situation with VEF Banka (Notice of Proposed Rulemaking for Imposition of Special Measure against VEF BANKA (VEF) - (RIN 1506-AA82 31- CFR 103)

Egres A.S. is a Czech company. We are producing a floor tiles and other type tiles. We had started the cooperation with VEF Bank, Riga when this bank had opened a representative office in Czech Republic. The bank had arranged for us contracts in Latvia and Russia, for distributing our production. The account we have with the bank is using for money transfers with our customers, which are working with the bank for faster cashflow.

For the last 2 weeks, we found that there are more and more difficulties to work with the bank, because of the problems with the correspondent bank, which are not executing the payment in favor or in behalf of the customers of the VEF bank. As a result we have also problems with our customers – particularly questions around money transfers.

We kindly ask you to check the VEF bank case more carefully, because in our personal opinion VEF is a good and reputable bank, and we do not wish to break the cooperation with such partner.

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20th May 2005

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