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Client to provide Company Reg. No.: 921530

Address to be provided

Date: Friday, June 29, 2018 Invoice No: 2015 – 10 – 003p

Professional services for Equatorial Guinea branch (without travel)	Notes	Year 1 US\$	Year 2 US\$
Eq. Guinea Branch registration fees (without travel)	1.	10,500	0
Branch <u>legal registered office</u> fees	2.	1,100	1,100
Estimated Eq. Guinea Government registration fees	3.	1,500	500
Eq. Guinea corporate bank account opening fees (no travel)	4.	2,950	0
Project management fees for a 4-month engagement	5.	4,850	0
Tax and VAT registration fees	6.	950	0
Estimate of annual accounting and tax fees	7.	0	2,300
Total Healy Consultants fees payable this month	8.	21,850	0
Estimate of Healy Consultants fees payable after 12 months	9.		3,900

Note: this invoice needs to be tailored for each Client. The above services and fees represent the average requirements of our Clients. I recommend you carefully read the notes below to confirm and understand all services required by your Firm, eliminating the risk of unwanted fee surprises during the engagement;

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Notes to invoice above

1. Healy Consultants Group PLC's fees to efficiently and effectively complete Equatorial Guinea branch registration within <u>five months</u> by i) choosing the optimum M&AA for our Client's business activities ii) reserving a name with the Equatorial Guinea Commercial Registrar iii) settling our accountant and lawyer fees and iv) preparing a high quality branch registration application for the Ministry of Commerce;

All <u>engagement fees</u> (click link) are agreed and paid up front and agree to the fees published on our country web pages. Consequently, there are no hidden fees, surprises or ambushes throughout the engagement. All engagement deadlines are agreed up front in the form of a <u>detailed project plan</u>, mapping out <u>deliverables</u> by week throughout the engagement term;



Every week during the engagement, Healy Consultants will email our Client a <u>detailed status update</u>. Our Client is immediately informed of engagement problems together with solutions. Your dedicated engagement manager is reachable by phone, Skype, live chat and email and will communicate in your preferred language;

- 2. In accordance with <u>Equatorial Guinea Commercial code</u>, a branch shall as from the date of its registration have a legal registered office in Equatorial Guinea, to which all official government communications and notices may be addressed. To comply with this statutory requirement, Healy Consultants' Equatorial Guinea office will be the registered office address for your branch. Thereafter, this address will be used to receive government correspondence including i) tax letters ii) notice of the legal annual return; and iii) all government communications. Most of our Clients wish to place <u>Healy Consultants' office address</u> on invoices, contracts, websites and business cards;
- 3. This fee is an estimate of government costs payable during your Firm's engagement. For transparency purposes, all government fee payments will be supported by original receipts and invoices. Examples of government costs include i) reserving the foreign company name; ii) obtaining the certificate of registration with the Companies Registry; iii) publishing the company's notice of commencement of operations in the Official Gazette; iv) obtaining the Tax Identification Number (NIF) and v) applying for an operating license. Following engagement completion, Healy Consultants will refund our Client any excess of funds received over actual Government costs paid;
- 4. Healy Consultants Group PLC will be pleased to open an Eq. Guinea corporate bank account without our Client travel. It is a time consuming task, and Healy Consultants will shelter our Client from the associated administrative challenges. As you can appreciate, it is a difficult task to obtain bank account approval through a newly formed company when shareholders, directors and bank signatories reside overseas. Depending on our Client's business and nationality, there is a 20% probability the banks will request a bank signatory to travel for a one-hour bank interview. Healy Consultants will try its best to negotiate with the bank for a travel exemption. If our Client must travel to Eq. Guinea for corporate bank account opening, Healy Consultants will refund our Client US\$950;

If our Client is not comfortable with only a Eq. Guinea corporate bank account, Healy Consultants will be pleased to open an international corporate bank account (click link) outside of Eq. Guinea. Examples include New York, Germany, Liechtenstein, Austria, Bulgaria, South Africa, Australia, London, South America or Dubai. All banks will be top tier banks in these countries with excellent internet banking services. Example of our global banking partners include HSBC, Standard Chartered Bank, Citibank, Barclays, Standard bank, ANZ bank, VTB bank, UBS, Credit Suisse;

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Healy Consultants will prepare a business plan for the bank to optimize the probability of corporate bank account approval. The banks enjoys ultimate power of approval of corporate bank account applications. Consequently, guaranteed success is outside of Healy Consultants' control. What is inside our control is the preparation and submission of a high quality bank application that maximizes the likelihood of approval:







Global banks continue to tighten corporate bank account opening procedures, their internal compliance departments completing more thorough due diligence of Clients. Consequently, our Clients should expect the bank account approval period to take up to 4 weeks from submission of a complete quality application. Furthermore, global banks now require evidence of proof of business in the country where the corporate bank account will be, including sales contracts or lease agreement;

- 5. Healy Consultants Group PLC project management fees relate to time and resources dedicated to:
 - a. thoroughly research and plan Equatorial Guinea company setup for our Client;
 - b. devising strategies to i) minimise the total engagement period and ii) complete the engagement without our Client travelling;
 - agreeing the optimum corporate structure with our Client;
 - submitting a high-quality entity registration application to the Eq. Guinea Government;
 - choosing the optimum regulatory license for our Client's business activities (if required);
 - collating and supervising the legalisation and attestation and translation of Client documents;
 - weekly engagement status updates to our Client and weekly Friday conference calls;
 - payment of retainer fees to multiple local lawyers and accountants;
 - ensuring our Client complies with local regulations and legally owns and controls the new entity;
 - ascertain the specific accounting, tax, legal and compliance considerations;
 - k. finding solutions to challenges that occur throughout the engagement;
 - determining the local and international tax obligations of the business entity, including corporate income tax, payroll taxes, withholding tax and sales taxes.
- 6. In accordance with Equatorial Guinea law, each entity must register for corporate tax and VAT at the Equatorial Guinea Tax Authority;

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7. For an active trading branch, these <u>accounting and tax</u> fees are an estimate of Healy Consultants fees to efficiently and effectively discharge annual accounting and tax obligations. Following receipt of a set of draft accounting numbers from your branch, Healy Consultants will more accurately advise accounting and tax fees;



- 8. All fees quoted in this invoice correspond to fees quoted on Healy Consultants' website. Please review this invoice carefully to identify errors. During the rush of the business day, it is possible that Healy Consultants inadvertently made fee calculation errors, typing errors or omitted services or omitted historic fee payments from Clients. In the unfortunate event you identify invoice errors, please revert to me directly re the same. I apologize in advance if I or my staff made invoice errors;
- Assuming our Clients re-engage Healy Consultants in year 2, this fee is an estimate of the fees payable next year, 12 months after the date of branch registration;
- 10. The fees quoted in this invoice are a prediction of the fees required to efficiently and effectively complete this engagement in a timely manner. If during the engagement Healy Consultants realizes that the project is more complex than anticipated, requiring a large additional investment of time, my Firm will revert to request additional fees. If Healy Consultants completes the engagement faster and more easily than expected, Healy Consultants is happy to refund some fees to our Client;
- 11. Branch business activities are limited to the activities of the foreign company. A branch can i) lease office premises ii) issue sales invoice to Clients and iii) sign local legal contracts. A branch can import and export goods;
- 12. In Equatorial, multiple industries are restricted to foreign investments and consequently, registration of a wholly foreign-owned company or a branch is not legally allowed. Before proceeding with the engagement, Healy Consultants Group PLC recommends our Clients to settle a <u>retainer fee</u> to confirm whether branching will be legally allowed in the industry of operation of their business.
- 13. Engage Healy Consultants to <u>project manage</u> business set up in every country on the planet. We are the best in the <u>world</u> at what we do, timely completing the A to Z of every country engagement;
- 14. In accordance with Equatorial Guinea Commercial Code, there is no minimum deposit to be injected to the branch's corporate bank account before registration. The authorities can however request an amount of capital according to the type of operating license required by the branch. To optimize engagement efficiency and minimize delays, Healy Consultants is happy to deposit these funds on behalf of our clients;
- 15. In accordance with the Equatorial Guinea Commercial Code, each branch must have at least one individual country representative ordinarily resident in Equatorial Guinea. If required, Healy Consultants will be pleased to provide your firm with a professional nominee representative in Equatorial Guinea. Our fee amounts to US\$6,600 per annum;

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16. If our Client and Healy Consultants properly plan this engagement, our Clients will <u>not</u> have to travel during this engagement. Healy Consultants will efficiently complete branch registration and corporate bank account opening in a timely manner without our Client presence. Instead, our Client will need to i) sign and get documents legalized in the embassy in their country of origin and ii) courier the originals to Healy Consultants office;



- 17. Depending on our Client's business and nationality, the Equatorial Guinea Government may require a special regulatory license to carry on your business in the country. Healy Consultants will assist our Client secure license approval; there may be additional engagement fees. However, the Government enjoys ultimate power of approval of branch registration and business licenses;
- 18. If our Client requires nominee non resident shareholder and director <u>services (click link)</u>, Healy Consultants will be pleased to assist. Our fee for professional, passive nominee corporate shareholder amounts to US\$2,100 per annum. Our fee to be both nominee director and shareholder amounts to US\$6,600 per annum. Being the sole shareholders and sole director of a Client's company exposes Healy Consultants to reputation, litigation and financial risk;
- 19. If required, Healy Consultants will be pleased to assist your Firm to secure employee visa approvals. Our fee is US\$3,950 for the first employee, US\$2,950 for the second employee, US\$1,950 per employee thereafter. Our employee visa fees includes preparation of a quality visa application and submitting to the correct Government immigration officers. The Government enjoys ultimate power of approval of visa applications. Consequently, guaranteed success is outside of Healy Consultants' control. What is inside our control is the preparation and submission of a high quality visa application that maximizes the likelihood of visa approval;
- 20. Some of our Clients request Healy Consultants to provide temporary shared office space for 6 months until their preferred business premises is found. If your Firm requires this service, our one-time fee is US\$950. Monthly rental thereafter is paid directly to the landlord, independently of Healy Consultants;
- 21. Monthly, quarterly and mid-year Government tax obligations include i) provisional payments of corporate tax in May, July and September ii) special provisional payments of corporate tax in June, August and October iii) monthly VAT reporting and annual tax filling by end of June. If you need our help, Healy Consultants can complete monthly Government reporting for a monthly fee of US\$860. Healy Consultants monthly support will include i) receive in dropbox the monthly invoices from our client ii) label monthly bank statement transactions iii) preparation and submission of VAT returns and iv) submission of monthly employee payroll reporting;
- 22. It is important our Clients are aware of their personal and corporate tax obligations in their country of residence and domicile. Let us know if you need Healy Consultants help to clarify your local and international annual tax reporting obligations;
- 23. During the engagement, shareholders and directors' documents may need to be translated into the local language; before the Government and Bank approves branch registration and corporate bank account opening respectively. Consequently, our Client should budget for possible additional translation and embassy attestation fees. Either our Client or Healy Consultants can complete this administrative task;

As always, Healy Consultants will negotiate with all third parties to eliminate or reduce additional engagement costs. For transparency purposes, all third party fee payments will be supported by original

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receipts and invoices. Examples of possible third party payments include i) embassy fees ii) notary public costs iii) official translator fees;

- 24. Some of our Clients require an immediate country solution. With this strategy, within a day Healy Consultants can supply our Client i) an existing dormant Equatorial Guinea company number and ii) an already approved Equatorial Guinea corporate bank account number and iii) a business address. Turnkey solutions are attractive to those entrepreneurs who wish to immediately close a country deal, sign a contract or invoice a customer;
- 25. As stipulated on our <u>business website</u> and in section 3 of our engagement letter, Healy Consultants will only commence the engagement following i) settlement of our fees and ii) completion and signing of our legal engagement letter;
- 26. Healy Consultants will only incorporate your company after 75% of <u>due diligence documentation</u> is received by email. Healy Consultants will only open a corporate bank account after 100% of the Client's original due diligence documentation is received by courier;
- 27. During the annual renewal engagement with our Client, our in-house <u>Legal and Compliance</u> <u>Department</u> reviews the quality and completeness of our Client file. Consequently, Healy Consultants may revert to our Client to ask for more up to date due diligence documentation;
- 28. To assist our Clients to minimize foreign exchange costs, we offer the payment in SG\$, Euro, Pounds or US\$. Kindly let me know in which currency your Firm prefers to settle our fees and I will send an updated invoice, thank you;
- 29. Some of our Clients engage Healy Consultants to <u>recruit</u> local employees. We have a lot of experience in this area and we are quite skilled at securing quality candidates for our Clients;
- 30. To efficiently and effectively complete your engagement in a timely manner, we recommend your Firm transfers these funds to Healy Consultants corporate bank account. Thereafter, our Incorporation and Banking Team will aggressively advance your engagement, providing your Firm daily feedback as to engagement status. I would be grateful if you email us the bank transfer advice slip to enable my Accounting Department to accurately and timely identify bank receipts:

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Thank you for your business and we look forward to working closely with you over the coming weeks as we engineer your Equatorial Guinea corporate structure.

Best regards,

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