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Kim Aikman
Chief Executive Office
Belize Chamber of Commerce and Industry (BCCI)

Ref: Request for review of draft Belize Electronic Funds Transfer Act 2021

Dear Ms. Aikman:

Warm greetings from the Public-Private Desk (PPD), technical secretariat to the Economic Development Council, in the Office of the Prime Minister.

As a deliverable emanating from the IDB-funded project: "Leveraging Digital Technology for Improving the Business Climate in Belize, BL-T1110", kindly find attached, a copy of the draft Belize Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) Act 2021 for the Belize Chamber of Commerce and Industry's needed feedback and guidance. This draft key digital legislation forms a critical aspect essential for advancing E-Commerce, E-Government and digital transformation in Belize.

In this regard, we also invite you and the membership of the BCCI to participate in a virtual stakeholder consultation session on the draft bill being proposed for Wednesday 3rd February, 2021 at 9am. A meeting link will follow this correspondence.

We are grateful for your review, feedback and participation in the virtual consultation.

Yours Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ishmael Quiroz'.

Ishmael Quiroz
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