## **DEED OF PRIORITY**

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# THIS IS AN IMPORTANT LEGAL DOCUMENT. WE RECOMMEND THAT EACH OF YOU OBTAIN INDEPENDENT LEGAL ADVICE AND MAKE SURE YOU UNDERSTAND IT BEFORE YOU SIGN IT

Key Deed of Priority Details					
You/Your	xxxxxxxxx (registered number xxxxxxxxx) of registered address:				
Us/We/Bank	HSBC UK Bank plc (Company Number 09928412), whose address for service is: Customer Service Centre BX8 5HB, or another entity that it transfers its rights and/or obligations under this Deed of Priority to				
Funder	xxxxxxxxxxxxxx (registered number xxxxxxxxx) whose registered address is: xxxxxxxxxxxxxxx				
Creditors	Means both the Bank and the Funder				
Purpose	By entering into this Deed of Priority you are agreeing to rank and prioritise certain security interests granted pursuant to HSBC Security and the Funder's Security (together the <b>Security Interests</b> )				
Bank Priority Amount	Means £Priority Amount together with interest thereon, charges, fees and expenses				
Funder Amount Means £Priority Amount together with interest thereon, charge and expenses					
Specific Assets	Means (enter asset description here). e.g. if it is a property, include the address and title number of the property. If it is a chattel, describe the chattel including any registration/ID/chassis number etc				
Special Account	Means an account in your name held with the Bank and designated as the special account pursuant to clause 6.1				
Debt or Debts	Means collectively (and where the context requires, individually) the Bank Debt and the Funder Debt				
Bank Debt	Means the aggregate amount of the principal interest charges and other moneys and liabilities from time to time remaining owing or incurred to the Bank by you whether presently or contingently and secured by the Security Interests of the Bank				
Funder Debt	Means the gregate amount of the principal interest continuous description description of the principal interest continuous description				
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Funder's Security	Date	Particulars
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#### 1. MEANING OF CERTAIN WORDS

- 1.1 The definitions in the Key Deed of Priority Details table apply to the rest of this Deed of Priority.
- 1.2 In this Deed of Priority:
  - 1.2.1 a person includes a body corporate;
  - 1.2.2 when we use the singular, that includes the plural and vice versa;
  - 1.2.3 when we refer to a statute or section of a statute, that includes any modification or re-enactment of that statue;
  - 1.2.4 a reference to the word 'including' or 'includes' means 'including without limitation';
  - 1.2.5 when we use the term 'this Deed of Priority' we mean this deed of priority;
  - 1.2.6 when we use the term 'HSBC Group' we mean HSBC Holdings plc, its subsidiaries (having the meaning in section 1159 of the Companies Act 2006) and any associated and/or affiliated companies;
  - 1.2.7 when we use the term 'LLP' we mean a limited liability partnership under the Limited Liability Partnerships Act 2000 (as amended);
  - 1.2.8 if there is more than one of you your liabilities to us in this Deed of Priority will be joint and several.
- 1.3 If there is any conflict or inconsistency between this Deed of Priority and any provision of the HSBC Security and/or the Funder's Security, the provisions of this Deed of Priority shall prevail.

## 2. CONSENTS

- 2.1 We and the Funder consent to the creation of each other's Security Interest.
- 2.2 You confirm and warrant to each Creditor that:
  - (a) you have not ceased to carry on business; and
  - (b) as far as you are aware, no floating charge granted by you has, as at the date of this Deed of Priority, crystallised and that you are not aware of any event having occurred or about to occur which could result in the crystallisation of any such floating charge.

#### 3. PRIORITIES

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- 3.2 Subject to the deductions specified in Clause 3.1, all receipts, recoveries and realisations (the "Realisations") pursuant to the enforcement of the Security Interests, shall be applied in or towards discharge of the Debts, in the following order:-
  - 3.2.1 to the extent that such Realisations are from the enforcement of Security Interests over the Specific Assets only, in the following order:
    - (a) to the Funder's Debt without limit;
    - (b) to the Bank's Debt without limit; and
    - (c) in payment to the person or persons next entitled.
  - 3.2.2 to the extent that such Realisations are from the enforcement of Security Interests over any asset other than the Specific Assets, in the following order:
    - (a) to the Bank's Debt without limit;
    - (b) to the Funder's Debt without limit; and
    - (c) in payment to the person or persons next entitled

#### 4. CONTINUING SECURITY

- 4.1 Nothing in this Deed of Priority shall affect the status of the Security Interests as continuing security, nor shall the ranking of the Security Interests as set out at Clause 3 be affected by any act, omission, transaction, limitation, matter, thing or circumstance whatsoever which, but for this provision, might operate to affect the relative priorities of the Security Interests.
- 4.2 Notwithstanding the provisions of Clause 4.1 above, if all or any of the Creditors' respective Security Interests shall be released or are or become wholly or partly invalid or unenforceable or shall not extend to particular of your assets, such Creditor shall bear any loss resulting and shall not be entitled to share in monies derived from assets over which it has no effective security but the Creditors shall not themselves challenge the validity or enforceability of the Security Interests.
- 4.3 Nothing in this Deed of Priority shall affect or prejudice the respective rights and remedies of the Creditors under the Security Interests which shall continue in full force and effect in accordance with their respective terms subject only to the provisions of this Deed of Priority.

#### 5. ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY

- 5.1 The Funder shall not take steps to appoint a receiver or an administrator or otherwise enforce its Security Interest unless [the Funder has received our prior written consent] OR [the Funder has given us [X] days' prior written notice]<sup>1</sup>
- 5.2 Subject to Clause 5.1, the Creditors will consult and co-operate with each other to ensure that:
  - 5.2.1 the Security Interests, shall so far as practicable, be enforced by the same method and at the same time; and
  - in the case of an appointment of a receiver by a proof the Fundamental Security Interest, the same per in shall be appoint a receiver by the other reditor (if the Creditor shall also mental than appointment),

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- 5.3 Subject to Clause 5.1 if either Creditor appoints a receiver or administrator or shall otherwise enforce or exercise its Security Interests, it shall promptly give written notice thereof to the other Creditor.
- 5.4 If either Creditor holds any of your books or records in its possession, it will provide such access to those books or records as may reasonably be required by any receiver or administrator appointed by the other Creditor.

#### 6. FIXED CHARGE ON BOOK DEBTS AND OPERATION OF ACCOUNTS

- 6.1 If and so long as our Security Interest shall include a fixed charge over book debts the Funder shall not, without our prior written consent, require you to pay any of the Funder Debt owed by you anywhere other than into the Special Account for the time being designated by us for that purpose or if no such Special Account shall for the time being be so designated by us, to your current account for the time being with us.
- Nothing in this Deed of Priority or any other agreement between any of the Creditors and you shall prevent us from operating your bank accounts in the usual manner.

#### 7. TIME AND INDULGENCE

This Deed of Priority shall not effect each Creditor's entitlement to grant time or indulgence or to release or otherwise deal with its Security Interest or any guarantee at any time (except as otherwise regulated by this Deed of Priority).

#### 8. INSURANCE PROCEEDS AND CUSTODY OF DOCUMENTS

- 8.1 Any insurance proceeds received by you shall be first applied in replacing, restoring or reinstating such property or assets destroyed, damaged or lost unless we otherwise direct in writing.
- 8.2 We shall be entitled, but not obliged, to hold each title or other document relating to any asset subject to our Security Interest. The Funder may inspect any such documents, provided it gives reasonable prior written notice to us.

#### 9. INFORMATION

You consent to each Creditor sharing any information about you, the Debts and/or the Security Interests.

## 10. CURRENCY

- 10.1 Payments to us should be made in the currency in which they are due. If we receive any money which is in a different currency or if we need to convert any of the Debt or order, judgment or award given in relation to a payment due from you into a different currency, we may convert this at the HSBC Exchange Rate. You must indemnify us on demand against any costs or losses that we incur because of that conversion.
- 10.2 You waive any rights you may have in any jurisdiction to pay any amount to us in a different currency or currency unit to the currency in which such amount is payable.

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#### 11. COMPLIANCE WITH COVENANTS

You shall observe and perform all the covenants in the HSBC Security relating to all your assets charged by the HSBC Security. Such observance and performance shall be deemed to constitute compliance with the covenants in the Funder's Security relating to such assets.

#### 12. FACILITIES

Nothing in this Deed of Priority shall oblige any of the Creditors to make any advances or accommodation to you or to grant banking or other facilities to you.

#### 13. TERMINATION

This Deed of Priority shall terminate when either of the Security Interests have been unconditionally and irrevocably discharged.

#### 14. YOUR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

You are a party to this Deed of Priority to acknowledge the terms of this Deed of Priority and to accept the obligations on your part contained within this Deed of Priority. You shall not be entitled to rely upon or enforce any of the terms of this Deed of Priority as against any Creditor.

#### 15. FURTHER ASSURANCE

You and the Funder will, at your cost, do all further acts and execute all further documents and deeds necessary to give effect to this Deed of Priority.

#### 16. ENTIRE AGREEMENT

This Deed of Priority forms the entire agreement between the parties to this Deed of Priority relating to the priority of each Creditor's respective Security Interests and the application of the proceeds thereof and supersedes all earlier meetings, discussions, negotiations, correspondence, faxes, emails, letters, transactions, communications, understandings and arrangements of any kind so relating.

## 17. FAILURES AND WAIVERS

- 17.1 Any failure by a party to this Deed of Priority to exercise any right, claim or entitlement under this Deed of Priority shall not be construed (unless agreed in writing otherwise) as a waiver of a right, claim or entitlement.
- 17.2 Any waiver of a breach of this Deed of Priority by us shall not (unless agreed in writing otherwise) be considered as a waiver of any future breach of the same term or authorising a continuation of such breach.

## 18. VARIATIONS

Save as otherwise provided herein, any variation of this Deed of Priority shall be binding only if it is recorded in a document signed by or on behalf of each of the Creditors.

#### 19. COSTS AND EXPENSES

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19.2 You will pay interest at a rate of 3% per year above the Bank of England base rate (as such base rate may change, and whenever such base rate is less than zero it shall be deemed to be zero), or such other rate agreed in any document between you and the relevant Creditor, from the date the demand is made until the date on which you make payment, if you fail to pay such costs and expenses on demand.

## 20. SEVERABILITY

If any part of this Deed of Priority is unenforceable, unlawful or void in any relevant jurisdiction, then that part will be separated from the rest of this Deed of Priority in respect of the relevant jurisdiction. The rest of this Deed of Priority will continue to be valid and enforceable.

#### 21. THIRD PARTY RIGHTS

A person who is not a party to this Deed of Priority has no rights under the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999.

#### 22. PROTECTION OF PURCHASERS

- 22.1 No purchaser or other person dealing with us or a receiver or any delegate needs to:
  - 21.1.1 ask whether any power or authority being exercised has arisen and is exercisable or be concerned with any notice suggesting otherwise;
  - 21.1.2 see whether any authority or delegation has lapsed or been revoked; or
  - 21.1.3 ask how any money they pay is going to be used.

#### 23. NOTICES

## 23.1 Communication by post

If any party to this Deed of Priority sends a letter to another party pursuant to this Deed of Priority (in the case of a letter to you, at your last known address or registered office. In the case of the Funder or us to the address stated in the 'Key Deed of Priority Details' or as notified to the other parties on no less than five clear business days prior notice) the letter will be deemed to be received at 12pm two business days after it is posted. In this Deed of Priority 'business day' means any day other than a Saturday, Sunday or public holiday in the United Kingdom, where we, as a bank, are open for business.

## 23.2 Communication by electronic channel

If any party to this Deed of Priority sends an email or uses a platform or other electronic channel to another party pursuant to this Deed of Priority, the email will be deemed to be received at the time it is sent or, as applicable, at the time the notice or demand is notified to you on the relevant platform or electronic channel.

#### 24. TRANSFER OUR RIGHTS

- 24.1 You cannot transfer any of your rights and obligations under this Deed of Priority.
- 24.2 The Bank and the Funder (provided the Funder has received the Bank's prior n consent) may transfer any of its Security laterests or any of its br obligatio ar er it, or agree or attempt to do so provided elevant transferd shall have agreed in ting that the be subject to the of this Deed of ority and that the trans ee shall if so allh. ansferer) execute sud reclired by y of the Cr itors including the document in col mation it as may be ason y required.

## 25. COUNTERPARTS

This Deed of Priority may be executed simultaneously in any number of counterparts and by the different parties on separate counterparts, each of which when so executed and delivered shall be an original, but all the counterparts shall together constitute one and the same document.

## 26. GOVERNING LAW & JURISDICTION

- 26.1 English law governs this Deed of Priority, its interpretation and any non-contractual obligation arising from or connected with it.
- 26.2 Each party to this Deed of Priority submits to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of England and Wales in relation to all matters (including non-contractual) arising from or in connection with this Deed of Priority.

**IN WITNESS** of the above, this document, which is intended to take effect as a deed, has been executed by you and each of the Creditors and is now delivered on the date mentioned above.



Executed as a deed by	)
(insert name of Attorney) As Attorney of HSBC UK BANK PLC	) ) ) )
in the presence of:	Attorney
Signature of Witness	
Print full name	
Address	
Occupation	