

**FAO The Tax Division
Association for Financial Markets in Europe
39th Floor
25 Canada Square
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January 7th, 2021

Dear Sirs

AFME Spanish Financial Transactions Tax Protocol – Adherence Letter

1. ADHERENCE

The purpose of this letter is to declare our adherence and that of each other party whose name is listed in paragraph 2 below (for whom we act as agent for the purposes of this Adherence Letter) (each a ***Group Adhering Party***), to the AFME Spanish Financial Transactions Tax Protocol (the ***Protocol***).

By executing this letter, on our behalf and on behalf of each Group Adhering Party, we make the representations set out in article 6 of the Protocol and confirm our intention to be bound by the terms of the Protocol as amended from time to time. We represent and warrant that we are authorised to submit this letter on behalf of each Group Adhering Party. This letter constitutes an Adherence Letter as referred to in the Protocol.

The definitions and provisions contained in the Protocol are incorporated into this Adherence Letter.

2. CORPORATE GROUP PARTIES TO WHOM THIS ADHERENCE LETTER APPLIES

Merrill Lynch International
BIC: SNCSGB2LBIC
Euroclear bank code: 92835
FCA number: 147150
LEI: GGDZP1UYGU9STUHRDP48

We hereby confirm that each adhering party listed above deals on its own account and is duly licensed for dealing on own account and/or it executes orders on behalf of clients and is duly licensed for the execution of orders on behalf of clients.

<https://register.fca.org.uk/s/firm?id=001b000000MfFzAAF>

3. APPOINTMENT AS ADMINISTRATOR AND RELEASE

We (on our own behalf and as agent for all adhering parties listed above) hereby appoint AFME as administrator for the limited purposes of the Protocol and accordingly we waive, and hereby release AFME from, any rights, claims, actions or

causes of action whatsoever (whether in contract, tort or otherwise) arising out of or in any way relating to this Adherence Letter or our adherence to the Protocol or any actions contemplated as being required by AFME.

4. CONTACT DETAILS

Our contact details for the purposes of the Protocol are:

Name: Merrill Lynch International
FAO: Ronald Grover
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Our contact details for receipt of invoices for Adherence Fees are:

Organisation:

Name: Merrill Lynch International
Billing Address: 2 King Edward Street
City: London
Post Code: EC1A 1HQ
Country: United Kingdom
VAT Number: GB245122493

Invoice Contact (if different from contact details above):

Name:
FAO:
Address:
Telephone:
Fax:
E-mail: Mle@ml.com

We undertake to notify AFME of any changes to these details at any time throughout our adherence to the Protocol, by either:

- (a) delivering to AFME by (i) certified or registered mail (or airmail, if overseas) or equivalent; (ii) courier; or (iii) personal delivery to AFME's address set out in this Adherence Letter, two copies of such notice: one a manually signed original and the other a conformed copy containing, in place of each signature, the printed or typewritten name of each signatory; and we will also send scanned pdf copies of the manually signed original and conformed copies of the notice of change of details to AFME at fttprotocol@afme.eu; or
- (b) sending to AFME at fttprotocol@afme.eu an electronically signed original and a conformed copy of such notice.

We agree to the publication by AFME of the conformed copy of any such notice.

Where this letter applies to a Corporate Group Party, we acknowledge that we will be the Primary Group Adhering Party for the purposes of the Protocol.

We consent to the publication of the conformed copy of this letter by AFME and to the disclosure by AFME of the contents of this letter.

Yours faithfully

Merrill Lynch International

Signed by: *Ashok Krishnan*

Name: Ashok Krishnan
Title: Managing Director