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**Direction to the National Treasury Management Agency, issued under Section 4 (4)
of the National Treasury Management Agency Act 1990 on its functions under S.I.
no 115 of 2010**

I direct the Agency:


- (a) to lead the discussions with the covered credit institutions to determine their likely capital requirements. These discussions should be carried out in consultation with the Department of Finance and in consultation with the Central Bank and Financial Services Authority of Ireland. The discussions should determine positions to be considered by the Government on the extent to which likely capital requirements may be met by private capital raising, asset disposals or other means with a view to minimising the amount, if any, of additional capital required from the State.
- (b) to negotiate with the covered credit institutions the terms and conditions on which any capital support provided by the State will be invested. Such terms and conditions should strictly conform with EU State aid requirements.
- (c) to manage any shareholding or any ownership interest in the covered institutions including the Special Investment Shares in the building societies and other capital support measures.
- (d) to carry out all of the roles required by the Minister in respect of any Relationship Framework with any credit institution required under Statute.
- (e) to lead discussions, in consultation with the Department of Finance, with all interested parties on the ultimate shape of the 'third force' and any other restructuring of the financial system.
- (f) to conduct discussions with other players in the market, both national and international, on my behalf, as necessary.



- (g) to advise me in relation to his consultations with the Financial Regulator under the Credit Institutions (Financial Support) Scheme and Eligible Liabilities Guarantee Scheme.
- (h) to report back to me and seek my approval and direction prior to making any irrevocable commitment.
- (i) to provide any information required by the Department of Finance in relation to any of the issues above, particularly in the context of discussions with the European Commission on State aid provided to the banking sector.

In all of the above matters the Agency should work closely with the Department of Finance and the Agency should ensure that the Department is aware of all major developments as they occur.

Yours faithfully,



Brian Lenihan, T.D.
Minister for Finance