# **BMD SECURITIES LIMITED**

# POLICY ON IDENTIFICATION OF CRITICAL ASSETS BASED ON SENSITIVITY

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## Purpose

The purpose of this Critical Asset Identification Policy is to establish guidelines and procedures for the identification and classification of critical assets based on sensitivity at [BMD Securities Limited], a stock brokerage firm. This policy aims to ensure the prioritized protection and security of assets crucial to the firm's operations, compliance, and client trust.

#### Scope

This policy applies to all employees, contractors, third-party vendors, and any other individuals involved in the identification and classification of critical assets within the stock brokerage firm.

## **Policy Guidelines**

#### **Asset Identification Criteria**

- Assets will be identified based on their significance to the firm's operations, regulatory compliance, and client services.
- Criteria for identification include financial impact, legal requirements, operational dependence, and potential harm in case of compromise.

## **Data Sensitivity Classification**

- Data will be classified based on its sensitivity and importance to the business.
- Each classification level will determine the security controls and access restrictions for the identified critical assets.

#### **Identification Process**

- A systematic process will be established to identify critical assets, involving collaboration between business units,
   IT, security, and compliance teams.
- The identification process will be periodic and reactive to changes in the business environment.

#### **Asset Inventory**

- A comprehensive inventory of critical assets will be maintained, including but not limited to financial data, client information, trading platforms, and communication systems.
- The inventory will include details such as asset type, classification, owner, and associated risks.

#### **Access Control**

- Access to critical assets will be restricted based on their sensitivity classification.
- Access permissions will be regularly reviewed and adjusted as necessary.

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#### **Data Encryption**

- Encryption will be applied to critical data assets, both in transit and at rest.
- Encryption protocols will align with industry standards and regulatory requirements.

#### **Physical Security Measures**

- Critical physical assets, such as servers and communication infrastructure, will be housed in secure locations with access controls and monitoring.
- Adequate measures will be taken to protect against physical threats.

#### **Incident Response Plan for Critical Assets**

- An incident response plan specifically addressing critical assets will be established to ensure a swift and effective response in case of security incidents.
- Regular testing and updates of the incident response plan will be conducted.

## Compliance and Legal Considerations

#### **Regulatory Compliance**

- The asset identification and protection processes will comply with relevant financial regulations and industry standards.
- Regular audits will be conducted to verify compliance.

#### Review and Update

This policy will be reviewed regularly and updated as necessary to address changes in the business environment, regulatory requirements, and emerging security threats.

# **Employee Responsibilities**

Employees involved in the identification and management of critical assets are responsible for adhering to this policy and promptly reporting any concerns or incidents.

# **Training and Awareness**

- Employees will undergo training on critical asset identification, classification, and protection.
- Awareness campaigns will be conducted to foster a culture of responsibility and security.

Change in the Policy will be adopted as and when required by the company and is binding on all the Staff/Employees/and Directors of the Company.

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