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NEW SHARE CAPITAL REQUIREMENTS FOR PRIVATE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANIES

Law No. 2016/014, of 14 December 2016, sets forth a new minimum share capital requirement for private limited liability companies ("Societé a Responsabilité Limité – SARL") and regulates the intervention of notaries public in the incorporation of such companies as follows:

The minimum registered share capital for SARLs is brought down from XAF 1,000,000 (corresponding to roughly EUR 1,524) to XAF 100,000 (roughly EUR 152).

SARLs may either be incorporated by means of (i) a deed executed before a notary public; or (ii) a private document executed by the parties (with the relevant signatures certified by a notary public or by the relevant services of a one-stop-shop) and subsequently deposited with a notary public's office. In addition, the intervention of a notary public shall henceforth be optional for sole-shareholder private limited liability companies as well as for companies having a share capital of XAF 1,000,000 or less.

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