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THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Directive 2009/138/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 November 2009 on the taking-up and pursuit of the business of Insurance and Reinsurance (Solvency II)⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 109a(1) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2016/1800⁽²⁾ specifies, among others, in its Annex, the correspondence of the relevant credit assessments issued by an external credit assessment institution ('ECAI') to the credit quality steps set out in Section 2 of Chapter I of Title I of Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2015/35⁽³⁾ ('External credit assessments').
- (2) Following the latest amendments, by Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2018/633⁽⁴⁾, to the Annex to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2016/1800 the quantitative and qualitative factors underpinning the credit assessments of some mappings in the Annex to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2016/1800 have changed. In addition, some ECAIs have extended their credit assessments to new market segments, resulting in new rating scales and new credit rating types. It is therefore necessary to update the mappings of the ECAIs concerned.
- (3) Since the adoption of Implementing Regulation (EU) 2018/633, another credit rating agency has been registered in accordance with Regulation (EC) No 1060/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council (5). As Article 136(1) of Regulation (EU) No 575/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council (6) requires the specification of mappings for all ECAIs, it is necessary to provide a mapping for that newly registered ECAI. The credit assessments applied by the newly registered ECAI are based on the

- same methodology as those applied by its parent company, a third country ECAI for which a mapping had already been established. It is therefore appropriate in this specific case that the mapping for the newly registered ECAI mirrors the mapping established for that third country ECAI.
- (4) This Regulation is based on the draft implementing technical standards submitted by the European Banking Authority (the EBA), the European Securities and Markets Authority (ESMA) and the European Insurance and Occupational Pensions Authority (EIOPA) jointly (the European Supervisory Authorities) to the Commission.
- (5) The European Supervisory Authorities have conducted open public consultations on the draft implementing technical standards on which this Regulation is based, analysed the potential related costs and benefits and requested the opinion of the Banking Stakeholder Group established in accordance with Article 37 of Regulation (EU) No 1093/2010 of the European Parliament and of the Council⁽⁷⁾; the opinion of the Securities and Markets Stakeholder Group established in accordance with Article 37 of Regulation (EU) No 1095/2010 of the European Parliament and of the Council⁽⁸⁾; and the opinion of the Insurance and Reinsurance Stakeholder Group established in accordance with Article 37 of Regulation (EU) No 1094/2010 of the European Parliament and of the Council⁽⁹⁾.
- (6) Implementing Regulation (EU) 2016/1800 should therefore be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1 U.K.

Amendment to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2016/1800

The Annex to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2016/1800 is replaced by the text in the Annex to this Regulation.

Article 2 U.K.

Entry into force

This Regulation shall enter into force on the twentieth day following that of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 4 June 2020.

For the Commission

The President

Ursula VON DER LEYEN

ANNEX U.K.

ANNEX

Allocation of credit assessments of external credit assessment institutions to an objective scale of credit quality steps in accordance with Directive 2009/138/EC

Credit	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
quality step							
ACRA Eu	rope a.s (j	formerly Euro	pean Ratin	ig Agency a	.s.)		
Global long- term rating scale	AAA	AA	A	BBB	BB	В	CCC, CC, C, D
Global short- term rating scale		S1		S2	S3, S4, NS		
AM Best E	Europe-Ra	ting Services	Ltd.				-
Long- term issuer credit ratings scale	aaa	aa, aa-	a+, a, a-	bbb+, bbb, bbb-	bb+, bb, bb-	b+, b, b-	ccc+, ccc, ccc-, cc, c, d, e, f, s
Long- term issue ratings scale	aaa	aa, aa-	a+, a, a-	bbb+, bbb, bbb-	bb+, bb, bb-	b+, b, b-	ccc+, ccc, ccc-, cc, c, d, s
Financial strength ratings scale		A++, A+	A, A-	B++, B+	В, В-	C++, C+	C, C-, D, E, F, S
Short- term issuer ratings scale		AMB-1+	AMB-1-	AMB-2, AMB-3	AMB- 4, d, e, f, s		
Short- term issue		AMB-1+	AMB-1-	AMB-2, AMB-3	AMB- 4, d, s		

ratings scale							
ARC Ratin	gs S.A.					1	
Medium and long- term issuers rating scale	AAA	AA	A	BBB	ВВ	В	CCC, CC, C, D
Medium and long- term issues rating scale	AAA	AA	A	BBB	ВВ	В	CCC, CC, C, D
Short- term issuers rating scale		A-1+	A-1	A-2, A-3	B, C, D		
Short- term issues rating scale		A-1+	A-1	A-2, A-3	B, C, D		
ASSEKUR	ATA Assek	uranz Ratii	ng-Agentur	GmbH			
Long- term credit rating scale	AAA	AA	A	BBB	BB	В	CCC, CC/C, D
Short- term corporate rating scale		A ++	A		B, C, D		
Axesor Ris	k Managen	nent SL		•			
Global rating scale	AAA	AA	A	BBB	BB	В	CCC, CC, C, D, E
Banque de	France						
Global long- term issuer credit		3++	3+, 3	4+	4, 5+	5, 6	7, 8, 9, P

ratings scale							
BCRA - C	redit Ratin	g Agency A	1D				
Global long- term ratings scale	AAA	AA	A	ВВВ	ВВ	В	CCC, CC, C, D
Global short- term ratings scale		A-1+	A-1	A-2, A-3	B, C, D		
Pension- insurance company long- term scale	AAA	AA	A	ВВВ	BB	В	CCC, CC, C, D
Pension- insurance company short- term scale		A-1+	A-1	A-2, A-3	B, C, D		
Pension fund long- term scale	AAA pf	AA pf	A pf	BBB pf	BB pf	B pf	C pf
Guarantee fund long- term scale	AAA	AA	A	BBB	ВВ	В	C, D
Guarantee fund short- term scale		A-1+	A-1	A-2, A-3	B, C, D		
Capital Int	telligence F	Ratings Ltd					
Internatio long- term issuer rating scale	n A IAA	AA	A	ВВВ	ВВ	В	C, RS, SD, D

Internatio long- term issue rating scale	n A IAA	AA	A	ВВВ	ВВ	В	CCC, CC, C, D
Internatio long- term insurer financial strength rating scale	n á lAA	AA	A	BBB	BB	В	C,RS, SD, D
Internatio short- term issuer rating scale	nal	A1+	A1	A2, A3	B, C, RS, SD, D		
Internatio short- term issue rating scale	nal	A1+	A1	A2, A3	B, C, D		
Internatio short- term insurer financial strength rating scale	nal	A1+	A1	A2, A3	B, C, RS, SD, D		
Cerved Ra	ting Agency	y S.p.A.			'	1	
Corporate long-term rating scale	A1.1	A1.2, A1.3	A2.1, A2.2, A3.1	B1.1, B1.2	B2.1, B2.2	C1.1	C1.2, C2.1
Creditrefor	rm Rating 2	4 <i>G</i>				1	
Long- term rating scale	AAA	AA	A		BBB	ВВ	B, C, SD, D
CRIF Rati	ngs S.r. l.			1	,		

Long- term issuer rating scale	AAA	AA	A	ВВВ	ВВ	В	CCC, CC, C, D1S, D
Long- term issue rating scale	AAA	AA	A	ВВВ	ВВ	В	CCC, CC, C, DS
Short- term issuer rating scale		IG-1		IG-2	SIG-1, SIG-2, SIG-3, SIG-4		
Short- term issue rating scale		IG-1		IG-2	SIG-1, SIG-2, SIG-3, SIG-4		
Dagong E	urope Cred	dit Rating				ı	I.
Long- term credit rating scale	AAA	AA	A	BBB	BB	В	CCC, CC, C, D
Short- term credit rating scale		A-1		A-2, A-3	B, C, D		
DBRS Rat	ings Limit	ed	1	- 1	1	1	1
Long- term obligation rating scale	AAA s	AA	A	BBB	BB	В	CCC, CC, C, D
Commerce paper and short-term debt rating scale	ial	R-1 H, R-1 M	R-1 L	R-2, R-3	R-4, R-5, D		
Financial Strength		AAA, AA	A	BBB	ВВ	В	CCC, CC, C, R

rating scale							
Egan-Jone	es Ratings	s Co.	,	1			
Long- term credit rating scale	AAA	AA	A	BBB	ВВ	В	CCC,CC, C, D
Short- term credit rating scale		A-1+	A-1	A-2	A-3, B, C, D		
Euler Heri	mes Ratin	g GmbH					
Global long- term rating scale	AAA	AA	A	ВВВ	BB	В	CCC, CC, C, SD, D
EuroRatin	g Sp. z o.	0.	1	-	1		
Global long- term rating scale	AAA	AA	A	BBB	BB	В	CCC, CC, C, D
Fitch Ratio	ngs			I			
Long- term issuer default ratings scale	AAA	AA	A	BBB	ВВ	В	CCC, CC, C, RD, D
Corporate finance obligation – Long-term ratings scale		AA	A	ввв	ВВ	В	CCC, CC, C
Long- term internation IFS ratings scale	AAA nal	AA	A	BBB	ВВ	В	CCC, CC, C

Derivative counterparatings scale		AAA dcr, AA dcr	A dcr	BBB dcr	BB dcr	B dcr	CCC dcr, CC dcr, C dcr
Short- term rating scale		F1+	F1	F2, F3	B, C, RD, D		
Short- term IFS ratings scale		F1+	F1	F2, F3	B, C		
GBB-Ratin	ng Gesellsch	haft für Bon	itätsbeurtei	ilung mbH		1	
Global long- term rating scale	AAA	AA		A, BBB	ВВ	В	CCC, CC, C, D
HR Rating	s de México	o, S.A. de C.	. <i>V</i> .	1			
Global long- term rating scale	HR AAA(G)	HR AA(G)	HR A(G)	HR BBB(G)	HR BB(G)	HR B(G)	HR C(G)/HR D(G)
Global short- term rating scale	HR+1(G)	HR1(G)	HR2(G)	HR3(G)	HR4(G), HR5(G), HR D(G)		
ICAP Gro	up S.A						
Global long- term rating scale			AA, A	ВВ, В	C, D	E, F	G, H
INC Ratin	g Sp. z o.o.	1	1	1	1	1	1
Long- term issuer credit rating scale		AA	A	ВВВ	ВВ	В	CCC,CC, C, D
Japan Cre	dit Rating A	gency Ltd	<u>I</u>	1	1	1	1
Long- term issuer	AAA	AA	A	BBB	BB	В	CCC, CC, C, LD, D

ratings scale							
Long- term issue ratings scale	AAA	AA	A	ВВВ	BB	В	CCC, CC, C, D
Short- term issuer ratings scale		J-1+	J-1	J-2	J-3, NJ, LD, D		
Short- term issue credit ratings scale		J-1+	J-1	J-2	J-3, NJ, D		
Kroll Bon	d Rating A	Agency	1	'			1
Long- term credit rating scale	AAA	AA	A	ВВВ	ВВ	В	CCC, CC, C, D
Short- term credit rating scale		K1+	K1	K2, K3	B, C, D		
Kroll Bon	d Rating A	Agency Eur	ope		- V		I.
Long- term credit rating scale	AAA	AA	A	ВВВ	ВВ	В	CCC, CC, C, D
Short- term credit rating scale		K1+	K1	K2, K3	B, C, D		
modeFina	nce S.r.l.	'		1		-	
Global long- term rating scale	A1	A2	A3	B1	B2	В3	C1, C2, C3, D

Global	Aaa	Aa	A	Baa	Ba	В	Caa, Ca,
long- term rating scale	7 vaa	714		Daa	Da	В	C C
Global short- term rating scale		P-1	P-2	P-3	NP		
QIVALIO	SAS (for	nerly Sprea	d Research	(h)			
Global long- term rating scale	AAA	AA	A	BBB	ВВ	В	CCC, CC, C, D
Global short- term rating scale		SR0		SR1, SR2	SR3, SR4, SR5, SRD		
Rating-Ag	gentur Exp	pert RA Gm	bH				
Internation credit rating scale	on A IA A	AA	A	BBB	BB	В	CCC,CC, C, D, E
Internation reliability rating scale		AA	A	BBB	BB	В	CCC,CC, C, D, E
Scope Rat	tings AG		ı				
Long- term rating scale	AAA	AA	A	BBB	BB	В	CCC, CC,C, D
Short- term rating scale		S-1+	S-1	S-2	S-3, S-4		
S&P Glob	al Ratings	S			•		•
Long- term issuer credit	AAA	AA	A	BBB	BB	В	CCC, CC, R, SD/D

ratings scale							
Long- term issue credit ratings scale	AAA	AA	A	BBB	ВВ	В	CCC, CC, C, D
Insurer financial strength ratings scale	AAA	AA	A	BBB	ВВ	В	CCC, CC, SD/ D, R
Mid- Market Evaluation ratings scale	n		MM1	MM2	MM3, MM4	MM5, MM6	MM7, MM8, MMD
Short- term issuer credit ratings scale		A-1+	A-1	A-2, A-3	B, C, R, SD/D		
Short- term issue credit ratings scale		A-1+	A-1	A-2, A-3	B, C, D		
The Econo	mist Intelli	gence Unit	Ltd				
Sovereign rating band scale	AAA	AA	A	BBB	BB	В	CCC, CC, C, D

- (1) OJ L 335, 17.12.2009, p. 1.
- (2) Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2016/1800 of 11 October 2016 laying down implementing technical standards with regard to the allocation of credit assessments of external credit assessment institutions to an objective scale of credit quality steps in accordance with Directive 2009/138/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council (OJ L 275, 12.10.2016, p. 19).
- (3) Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2015/35 of 10 October 2014 supplementing Directive 2009/138/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council on the taking-up and pursuit of the business of Insurance and Reinsurance (Solvency II) (OJ L 12, 17.1.2015, p. 1).
- (4) Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2018/633 of 24 April 2018 amending Implementing Regulation (EU) 2016/1800 laying down implementing technical standards with regard to the allocation of credit assessments of external credit assessment institutions to an objective scale of credit quality steps in accordance with Directive 2009/138/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council (OJ L 105, 25.4.2018, p. 6)
- (5) Regulation (EC) No 1060/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 September 2009 on credit rating agencies (OJ L 302, 17.11.2009, p. 1).
- (6) Regulation (EU) No 575/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 June 2013 on prudential requirements for credit institutions and investment firms and amending Regulation (EU) No 648/2012 (OJ L 176, 27.6.2013, p. 1).
- (7) Regulation (EU) No 1093/2010 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 24 November 2010 establishing a European Supervisory Authority (European Banking Authority), amending Decision No 716/2009/EC and repealing Commission Decision 2009/78/EC (OJ L 331, 15.12.2010, p. 12).
- (8) Regulation (EU) No 1095/2010 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 24 November 2010 establishing a European Supervisory Authority European Securities and Markets Authority), amending Decision No 716/2009/EC and repealing Commission Decision 2009/77/EC (OJ L 331, 15.12.2010, p. 84).
- (9) Regulation (EU) No 1094/2010 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 24 November 2010 establishing a European Supervisory Authority (European Insurance and Occupational Pensions Authority), amending Decision No 716/2009/EC and repealing Commission Decision 2009/79/EC (OJ L 331, 15.12.2010, p. 48).

Changes to legislation:

There are outstanding changes not yet made to Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2020/744. Any changes that have already been made to the legislation appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.

View outstanding changes

Changes and effects yet to be applied to:

- Regulation power to modify conferred by 2023 c. 29 s. 3 Sch. 1 Pt. 3
- Regulation revoked by 2023 c. 29 Sch. 1 Pt. 3