INCOMING EEA INSURANCE INTERMEDIARIES INSTRUMENT 2006

Powers exercised

- A. The Financial Services Authority makes this instrument in the exercise of the powers and related provisions in the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 ("the Act") referred to in:
 - (1) Schedule 4 to the Conduct of Business sourcebook (COB) (Powers exercised); and
 - (2) Schedule 4 to the Insurance: Conduct of Business sourcebook (ICOB) (Powers exercised).
- B. The rule-making powers referred to above are specified for the purpose of section 153(2) (Rule-making instruments) of the Act.

Commencement

C. This instrument comes into force on 6 October 2006.

Amendments to the Handbook

D. The modules of the FSA Handbook of rules and guidance listed in column (1) below are amended in accordance with the Annexes to this instrument listed in column (2).

(1)	(2)
Conduct of Business sourcebook (COB)	Annex A
Insurance: Conduct of Business sourcebook (ICOB)	Annex B
Supervision manual (SUP)	Annex C

Citation

E. This instrument may be cited as the Incoming EEA Insurance Intermediaries Instrument 2006.

By order of the Board 28 September 2006

Annex A

Amendments to the Conduct of Business sourcebook (COB)

In this Annex, underlining indicates new text and striking through indicates deleted text.

Business with UK clients from non-UK offices 1.4.3 R This sourcebook applies in relation to activities not within COB 1.4.2R (UK establishments: general) carried on with or for a client in the United Kingdom, except in any of the following cases: (1) ...; or (2) (c); or (3) (except as set out in (2) and in COB 1.4.12R (IMD passported activities)) when an *incoming EEA firm* is providing *cross-border* services in the *United Kingdom* under the *IMD*. . . . IMD passported activities 1.4.12 R . . . (3) In addition to the situation in COB 1.4.3R, tThe IMD minimum implementation provisions apply, on the basis outlined in (4), to an incoming EEA firm providing cross-border services in the United Kingdom under the IMD unless the firm's Home State regulator imposes measures which implement the articles for these activities. (4) . . . (5) The only provisions in *COB* that apply to *passported activities* carried on by an EEA firm under the IMD from a branch in the UK are:

...

- (a) the *IMD minimum implementation provisions*, on the basis in (4), unless the *firm's Home State regulator* imposes measures which implement articles 12 and 13 of the *IMD* for these activities;
- (b) <u>COB 1.4.5R (Financial promotions)</u>, <u>COB 1.4.4R (Overseas business for UK private customers)</u> and <u>COB 1.4.10R</u> (Electronic commerce activities and communications);
- (c) the other provisions in *COB* relating to articles 12 and 13 of

- the *IMD* (beyond the minimum required to implement these articles), unless the *firm's Home State regulator* imposes measures of like effect for those activities; and
- (d) (if the activities are in connection with a *distance contract* with a *retail customer*) the provisions in *COB* which implement the *DMD*, unless the *firm's Home State* imposes measures which implement, or correspond to obligations provided for by, the *DMD*.

Annex B

Amendments to the Insurance: Conduct of Business sourcebook (ICOB)

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IMD passported activities

1.3.10 R ...

- (3) In addition to ICOB 1.3.1R Notwithstanding the other rules in this section, the only provisions in ICOB that apply to an incoming EEA firm carrying on passported activities under the IMD in the United Kingdom are:
 - (a) the provisions in *ICOB* 1.3.11R do not apply to an *incoming EEA firm* carrying on *passported activities* under the *IMD* from a *branch* in the *United Kingdom* if the *firm's Home State regulator* imposes minimum measures which implement articles 12 and 13 of the *IMD* for these *activities ICOB* 1.3.8R (Electronic commerce activities and communications) and *ICOB* 3 (Financial promotion);
 - (b) the provisions in *ICOB* 1.3.11R apply to an *incoming EEA* firm providing cross border services in the *United Kingdom* if the firm's *Home State regulator* does not impose minimum measures which implement articles 12 and 13 of the *IMD* for those activities; and
 - (c) the other provisions in *ICOB* relating to articles 12 and 13 of the *IMD* (beyond the minimum required to implement these articles) apply to an *incoming EEA firm* providing crossborder services in the *United Kingdom*, unless the *firm's Home State regulator* imposes measures of like effect for those activities; and
 - (d) (if the activities are carried on from a *branch* in the *UK* and are in connection with a *distance contract* with a *retail* customer) the provisions in *ICOB* which implement the *DMD* in respect of a *distance non-investment mediation contract*, unless the *firm's Home State* imposes measures which implement, or correspond to obligations provided for by, the *DMD*.

Annex C

Amendments to the Supervision manual (SUP)

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SUP 13A Annex 1G Application of the Handbook to Incoming EEA Firms

(1) Module of Handbook	incom to ac establ appoin	ning EE tivities ishmen	l application to an EA firm with respect carried on from an t of the firm (or its epresentative) in the dom	EEA carried establ	firm on ishmen	application to an incoming with respect to activities other than from an t of the firm (or its presentative) in the United
СОВ	of act	the only are: COB prometerrite 3.3 (Vinters) unless State measu articles	except that in respect bassported under the basspor	Where (1)	(a) (b) (c)	would fall within the overseas persons exclusions in article 72 of the Regulated Activities Order; or would not be regarded as carried on in the United Kingdom; or is not carried on with or for a client in the United Kingdom;
		(a) (b)	COB 4.3.19R to COB 4.3.25R save that the firm must also comply with those rules as if they also applied to a firm carrying out the activities in COB 4.3.19R(1) with or on behalf of all private customers; COB 5.2.12R to		passp	unless the activity is orted under the IMD, only ollowing apply: (g) [deleted](i) COB 4.3.19R to COB 4.3.25R save that the firm must also comply with those rules as if they also applied to a firm carrying out the activities in COB 4.3.19R(1) with or on

- COB 5.2.14R; and
- (c) <u>COB 5.3.14R(1)</u> and <u>COB 5.3.18AR</u> to <u>COB 5.3.18CR</u>;
- (3) unless the firm's Home

 State regulator imposes

 measures of like effect for
 those activities:
 - (a) COB 4.3.5R to

 COB 4.3.11R (Fees and commission statement and initial disclosure document); and
 - (b) COB 4.3.21R(9), COB 4.3.22R, COB 4 Annex 4R(8) and COB 4 Annex 5R(8) (Information on compensation); and
- (4) in the case of a distance

 contract with a retail

 customer, unless the firm's

 Home State imposes

 measures which implement
 or correspond to
 obligations of the DMD:
 - (a) COB 2.5.3R (Limits on the exclusion of liability: designated investment business);
 - (b) COB 2.6 (General provisions related to distance marketing)
 - (c) <u>COB 4.2.5R to</u> <u>COB 4.2.6AG</u>, <u>COB 4.2.10R and</u>

<u>behalf of all *private*</u> <u>customers;</u>

- (ii) <u>COB 5.2.12R to</u> COB 5.2.14R; and
- (iii) COB 5.3.18R(1)
 and COB
 5.3.18AR to COB
 5.3.18CR; but
 only in relation to
 activities
 passported under
 the IMD (see
 COB 1.4.12R(3));
- (2) ...
 - (b);
- (3) is passported under the *IMD*, only the following apply:
 - (a) COB 4.3.19R to COB

 4.3.25R save that the firm
 must also comply with
 those rules as if they also
 applied to a firm carrying
 out the activities in COB
 4.3.19R(1) with or on
 behalf of all private
 customers;
 - (b) COB 5.2.12R to COB 5.2.14R;
 - (c) COB 5.3.18R(1) and COB 5.3.18AR to COB 5.3.18CR; and
 - (d) COB 5.5.7R (Overseas business for UK private customers).

Otherwise, as column (2), (*COB* 1.4.3R).

	COB 4 Ann 1R (Terms of business and client agreements with customers);	
<u>(d)</u>	COB 6.1.5R(1) (Quality and production of key features);	
<u>(e)</u>	COB 6.2.2R, COB 6.2.7R, COB 6.2.12R(2), COB 6.2.14R, COB 6.2.16R(2), COB 6.2.18R(2), COB 6.2.21R and COB 6.4.27R to COB 6.4.31R (Provision of key features);	
<u>(f)</u>	COB 6.5.2R(6), COB 6.5.3R (Content of key features and important information: life policies, schemes,	

- policies, schemes, ISA and CTF cash deposit components and stakeholder pension schemes);
- (g) COB App 1 (Required information for certain terms of business, key features and direct offer financial promotions).

ICOB

ICOB applies As column (3) plus, in the case of a distance contract with a retail customer, unless the firm's Home State imposes measures which implement or correspond to obligations of the DMD:

Only the following provisions of *ICOB* apply:

(a)(1) *ICOB* 3 (Financial promotion), but see the territorial scope in ICOB 3.4 (Application: where?);

- (1) ICOB 2.2.3R(1) (Clear, fair and not misleading communication);
- (2) ICOB 2.5 (Exclusion of liability);
- (3) ICOB 2.7 (General provision related to distance contracts);
- (4) ICOB 4.7 (Unsolicited services); and
- (5) ICOB 8 (Distance noninvestment mediation contracts with retail customers).

- (2) ICOB 4.2.19R (Overseas business for UK retail customers);
- (b)(3) ...
- (c)(4) ...
- $\frac{(d)(5)}{(5)}$...;
- (6) unless the firm's Home State regulator has implemented articles 12 and 13 of the IMD for those activities:
 - (a) <u>ICOB</u> 4.2.2R to <u>ICOB</u> 4.2.8R, <u>ICOB</u> 4.2.11R, <u>ICOB</u> 4.2.14R and <u>ICOB</u> 4.2.20R (Status disclosure);
 - (b) *ICOB* 4.3 (Suitability);
 - (c) ICOB 4.4 (Statement of demands and needs) except ICOB 4.4.7R;
 - (d) ICOB 4.8.1R (Language of the information provided to customers); and
- (7) unless the *firm's Home State*regulator imposes measures of
 like effect that apply to those
 activities:
 - (a) ICOB 2.10 (Excessive charges to retail customers);
 - (b) ICOB 4.2.8R(9) (Information on compensation);
 - (c) ICOB 4.4.7R (Record keeping where a personal recommendation is made);

	(d) ICOB 4.2.15R (Fees other than product related fees); and
	(e) ICOB 4.6 (Commission disclosure for commercial customers).