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The National Bank of Moldova requires banks to take additional measures for the security of clients' goods

The National Bank of Moldova (NBM) requires licensed banks to check and test the services of storage of depositors' goods, with the purpose of preventing eventual risks.

The verifications are due to end on 22 October 2019, afterwards, within 30 business days, banks shall submit the results to the NBM, together with a plan of measures to remove the deficiencies detected.

At the same time, the NBM required licensed banks to assure the familiarization of clients with the related risks, within the process of service provision.

According to the law in force, the National Bank of Moldova is in charge with the prudential regulation of banks and does not regulate the specific, technical, security requirements etc., since they fall in the category of operational risks.

The regulatory documents of the NBM provide that banks must elaborate internal policies in order to manage efficiently the operational risks they are exposed to, including internal or external fraud, as well as fraud attempts. The application of these norms is indispensable for the efficient protection of banks' assets.

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