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International Accounting Standards Board
7 Westferry Circus, Canary Wharf
London E14 4HD
United Kingdom

Re: Comments of World Council on the Classification of Liabilities as Current or Non-current—Deferral of Effective Date

Dear Sir/Madam:

World Council of Credit Unions (World Council) appreciates the opportunity to comment on the International Accounting Standards Board's (IASB) Classification of Liabilities as Current or Non-current—Deferral of Effective Date .¹ Credit unions are cooperative depository institutions and World Council is the leading trade association and development organization for the international credit union movement. Worldwide, there are over 85,000 credit unions in 118 countries with USD 2.1 trillion in total assets serving 274 million physical person members.²

We concur with the Board's analysis that the pandemic has created pressures that could delay the implementation of any changes in classification resulting from the application of these amendments and that the pandemic will delay the ability of a credit union to start and extend the duration of the renegotiation of loan covenants. The burden for credit unions is particularly difficult given their typically small size and availability of resources to implement any regulatory change. A 1-year delay given the COVID-19 crisis would provide welcomed operational relief. We support the delay.

¹ International Accounting Standards Board's *Classification of Liabilities as Current or Non-current—Deferral of Effective Date* (May, 2020), available at: <https://cdn.ifrs.org/-/media/project/classification-of-liabilities/published-documents/classification-of-liabilities-deferral-date-ed.pdf>.

² World Council of Credit Unions, *2018 Statistical Report* (2019), available at <http://www.woccu.org/publications/statreport>.

World Council appreciates the opportunity to comment on the International Accounting Standards Board's Classification of Liabilities as Current or Non-current—Deferral of Effective Date. If you have questions about our comments, please feel free to contact me at aprice@woccu.org or +1-850-766-5699.

Sincerely,



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