

BEFORE THE COMPETITION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN

FIRST PHASE REVIEW

IN THE MATTER OF ACQUISITION OF _____2% SHAREHOLDING BY MR. AHMED GOOLAM MOHAMED RANDEREE AND MR. SHABIR AHMED RANDEREE OF M/S. BANKISLAMI PAKISTAN LIMITED FROM M/S. EMIRATES NBD BANK PJSC.

CASE: 1313/Merger-CCP/2022

Commission

Ms. Rahat Kaunain Hassan

Chairperson

Mr. Minitaba Ahmad Lodhi

Member

ORDER

- 1. On 15th August, 2022 the Competition Commission of Pakistan ("Commission") received a pre-merger application ("Application") pursuant to Section 11 of the Competition Act, 2010 ("Act") read with Regulation 6 of the Competition (Merger Control) Regulations, 2016 ("Merger Regulations") from Mr. Ahmed Goolam Mohamed Randeree ("Mr. Ahmed" or "Acquirer 1") and Mr. Shabir Ahmed Randeree ("Mr. Shabir" or "Acquirer 2"), collectively as ("Acquirers") concerning the proposed acquisition of . % shareholding in M/s. BankIslami Pakistan Limited ("BIPL" or "Target") from M/s. Emirates NBD Bank PJSC ("ENBP" or "Seller"). All requisite information/documentation pertaining to the Application was completed on 25th August, 2022.
- 2. The Commission has examined the Application as well as all the documents attached therewith and the information provided by the concerned undertaking(s). The Phase I competition assessment of the intended transaction has revealed the following facts:
 - i. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:
 - a. For the Acquirers: Individuals who are residents of the United Kingdom and current shareholders of the Target.
 - b. For the Target: engaged in Islamic banking.
 - c. Seller: licensed bank based in the UAE which is engaged in corporate banking, consumer banking, treasury activities, Islamic banking and property management.

 - iii. The relevant market in this case has been identified as "Islamic Banking Services" and the relevant geographic market is "Pakistan".
 - iv. The Acquirers are already current shareholders of the Target who collectively own % shareholding in the Target. Post-transaction, Acquirer 1 and Acquirer 2 will hold % shareholding each, with collective shareholding of 7% in the Target. The proposed transaction does not result in any change in control and the Target's market share will remain unchanged at % in the relevant market.
- 3. The proposed transaction does not meet the presumption of dominance as determined under Section 2(1)(e) read with Section 3 of the Act. Hence, it is hereby authorized under Section 31(1)(d)(i) of the Act.
- 4. In the subject transaction, matters which may fall outside the scope of the Commission's purview shall be handled in accordance with the applicable laws.

It is so ordered.

. Rahat Kaunain Hassan)

Chairperson

Sept

. 2022.

(Mr. Mujtaba Ahmad Lodhi)

Member