

New Online System for Filing of Suspicious Transaction Reports ('STRs')

Dear member,

Pursuant to section 70D of the Legal Profession Act, where a legal practitioner or law practice knows or has reasonable grounds to suspect that any property was or is intended to be used in connection with drug dealing or criminal conduct, as set out in section 39(1) of the Corruption, Drug Trafficking and Other Serious Crimes (Confiscation of Benefits) Act ('CDSA'), the legal practitioner or law practice must disclose the matter to a Suspicious Transaction Reporting Officer under the CDSA by way of a suspicious transaction report; or an authorised officer under the CDSA.

Electronic Filing of Suspicious Transaction Reports on the STRO Online Notices and Reporting platform ('SONAR')

The Suspicious Transaction Reporting Office ('STRO') of Commercial Affairs Department ('CAD') has launched a new e-services platform - the [STRO Online Notices and Reporting platform](#) ('SONAR'). SONAR allows businesses and their employees to file Suspicious Transaction Reports ('STRs'), Cross Border Cash Movement Reports (CMRs - NP 728) and Cash Transaction Reports (CTRs - NP 759) to STRO on a consolidated platform. It replaces the existing Suspicious Transaction Report Online Lodging System (STROLLS) and Electronic 728 (E728). Along with the launch, three electronic forms have been introduced on SONAR:

- Form NP 728 for CMRs;
- Form NP 759 for CTRs; and
- A new form for STRs.

To file STRs on the new SONAR platform, you will need:

- a. Adobe Acrobat reader software for your law practice's designated SONAR users;
- b. CorpPass account for your law practice;
- c. Access to the CorpPass account for your law practice's designated SONAR users (select 'SPF E-Services (G2B)');
- d. SONAR accounts for your law practice's designated SONAR users (they will need their CorpPass account details to apply for SONAR accounts).

Members are required to lodge all STRs electronically.

Should you have any inquiries regarding the E-filing of STR, please contact the SONAR team at SPF_STRO_IT_Team@spf.gov.sg

Other Resources on the Prevention of Money Laundering and Countering the Financing of Terrorism

Additional resources on the Prevention of Money Laundering and Countering the Financing of Terrorism can be found at the Law Society's website under the tab 'For Lawyer' > 'Running your Practice' > 'Anti-Money Laundering and Counter Terrorism Financing', including a list of FAQ Guidance related to STR-filing.

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