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#### **INCOME TAX ACT 1947**

# INCOME TAX (PRESCRIBED INTEREST RATE FOR SECTION 93(9)(e)) RULES 2024

#### ARRANGEMENT OF RULES

#### Rule

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In exercise of the powers conferred by section 7(1) of the Income Tax Act 1947, the Minister for Finance makes the following Rules:

#### Citation and commencement

1. These Rules are the Income Tax (Prescribed Interest Rate for Section 93(9)(e)) Rules 2024 and come into operation on 1 April 2024.

#### **Definitions**

- 2. In these Rules
  - "3-month compounded SORA", in relation to a period, means
    - (a) if the period or a part of the period falls within the 6-month period beginning on 1 April of a calendar year, then, for the period or the part (as the case may be) the compounded average of the SORA values for a 3-month period computed by the Monetary Authority of Singapore using the prescribed methodology, and published —

- (i) on its Internet website at http://www.mas.gov.sg; or
- (ii) where the website is unavailable to the public, in any other form that is readily accessible by the public,

on either of the following days:

- (iii) if 1 March of that calendar year is a business day that day;
- (iv) if 1 March of that calendar year is not a business day the last business day in February of that calendar year; or
- (b) if the period or a part of the period falls within the 6-month period beginning on 1 October of a calendar year, then, for the period or the part (as the case may be) the compounded average of the SORA values for a 3-month period computed by the Monetary Authority of Singapore using the prescribed methodology, and published
  - (i) on its Internet website at http://www.mas.gov.sg; or
  - (ii) where the website is unavailable to the public, in any other form that is readily accessible by the public,

on either of the following days:

- (iii) if 1 September of that calendar year is a business day that day;
- (iv) if 1 September of that calendar year is not a business day the last business day in August of that calendar year;
- "business day" means any day other than a Saturday, Sunday or public holiday;
- "prescribed methodology" means the methodology set out in the document called "Compounded Singapore Overnight Rate

Average Index ("SORA Index"), Compounded SORA and MAS Floating Rate Notes ("MAS FRN"): A User Guide" dated 16 March 2021;

- "Singapore Overnight Rate Average" or "SORA" means the volume-weighted average rate of borrowing transactions in the unsecured overnight interbank Singapore dollar cash market in Singapore between 8 a.m. and 6.15 p.m., as published by the Monetary Authority of Singapore
  - (a) on its Internet website at http://www.mas.gov.sg; or
  - (b) where the website is unavailable to the public, in any other form that is readily accessible by the public.

### Prescribed interest rate for section 93(9)(e) of Act

**3.** For the purposes of section 93(9)(e) of the Act, the prescribed interest rate for any part of any interest period falling on or after 1 April 2024 is 1.5%-point above the 3-month compounded SORA.

Made on 28 March 2024.

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(To be presented to Parliament under section 7(2) of the Income Tax Act 1947).