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### SUPREME COURT OF JUDICATURE ACT 1969

#### SINGAPORE INTERNATIONAL COMMERCIAL COURT (AMENDMENT) RULES 2024

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 80 of the Supreme Court of Judicature Act 1969 and all other powers enabling us under any written law, we, the Rules Committee, make the following Rules:

#### **Citation and commencement**

1. These Rules are the Singapore International Commercial Court (Amendment) Rules 2024 and come into operation on 1 February 2024.

#### **Amendment of Order 21**

2. In the Singapore International Commercial Court Rules 2021 (G.N. No. S 924/2021) (called in these Rules the principal Rules), in Order 21 —

- (a) in Rule 4(1) and (2), replace “appeal and” with “appeal or”;
- (b) in Rule 15(1), after “request”, insert “under section 29B(2) of the Supreme Court of Judicature Act 1969”;
- (c) in Rule 20(4), replace sub-paragraph (b) with —
  - “(b) if no written grounds of decision are issued within 12 weeks after the certification —
    - (i) the appellant must apply in writing to the Registrar to proceed with the appeal;
    - (ii) if the appellant fails to do so, the respondent may apply in writing to the Registrar to proceed with the appeal or may give the appellant 14 days’ written notice of the

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respondent's intention to strike out the appeal; and

(iii) after the expiry of the 14 days' notice period mentioned in sub-paragraph (ii), the respondent may apply to strike out the appeal.”;

(d) in Rule 20(7)(e), after “appellant” insert “or the respondent”; and

(e) in Rule 21, replace paragraph (4) with —

“(4) If no written grounds of decision are issued within 12 weeks after the date of the filing of the notice of appeal (or such longer time up to 24 weeks notified to the parties by the Court) —

(a) the appellant must apply in writing to the Registrar for a copy of the record of proceedings without the written grounds of decision;

(b) if the appellant fails to do so, the respondent may apply in writing to the Registrar for a copy of the record of proceedings without the written grounds of decision or may give the appellant 14 days' written notice of the respondent's intention to strike out the appeal; and

(c) after the expiry of the 14 days' notice period mentioned in sub-paragraph (b), the respondent may apply to strike out the appeal.”.

### **Amendment of Appendix C**

3. In the principal Rules, in Appendix C —

(a) in paragraph 73(a), replace “Volume 1” with “Volume A”;

(b) in paragraph 73(b), replace “Volume 2” with “Volume B”;  
and

(c) replace paragraph 79 with —

“79. The table of contents of all volumes of the record of appeal and core bundles must be placed at the beginning of Volume 1 of the record of appeal and Volume A of the core bundles, respectively, immediately after the title page.

79A. The table of contents of all volumes of the record of appeal must be in the following form:

| TABLE OF CONTENTS |             |      |
|-------------------|-------------|------|
| INDEX TO VOLUME 1 |             |      |
| NO.               | DESCRIPTION | PAGE |
|                   |             |      |
|                   |             |      |
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| INDEX TO VOLUME 2 |             |      |
| NO.               | DESCRIPTION | PAGE |
|                   |             |      |
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| INDEX TO VOLUME 3 |             |             |                                    |      |
|-------------------|-------------|-------------|------------------------------------|------|
| NO.               | DESCRIPTION |             |                                    | PAGE |
|                   |             |             |                                    |      |
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| INDEX TO VOLUME 4 |             |             |                                    |      |
| NO.               | EXHIBIT     | DESCRIPTION | Whether or not included in records | PAGE |
|                   | MARKING     |             |                                    |      |
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| INDEX TO VOLUME 5 |             |             |                                    |      |
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79B. The table of contents of all volumes of the core bundles must be in the following form:

| TABLE OF CONTENTS |             |      |
|-------------------|-------------|------|
| INDEX TO VOLUME A |             |      |
| NO.               | DESCRIPTION | PAGE |
|                   |             |      |
|                   |             |      |
|                   |             |      |
| INDEX TO VOLUME B |             |      |
| NO.               | DESCRIPTION | PAGE |
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### **Saving and transitional provisions**

4.—(1) Despite rule 2(a), Order 21, Rule 4(1) and (2) of the principal Rules as in force immediately before 1 February 2024 continues to apply to and in relation to any appeal against an order made by the Court before that date.

(2) Despite rule 2(c) and (d), Order 21, Rule 20(4)(b) and (7)(e) of the principal Rules as in force immediately before 1 February 2024 continues to apply to and in relation to any appeal for which the notice of appeal was filed before that date.

(3) Despite rule 2(e), Order 21, Rule 21(4) of the principal Rules as in force immediately before 1 February 2024 continues to apply to

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and in relation to any appeal for which the notice of appeal was filed before that date.

(4) Despite rule 3(a) and (b), paragraph 73 of Appendix C to the principal Rules as in force immediately before 1 February 2024 continues to apply to and in relation to a core bundle filed before that date.

(5) Despite rule 3(c), paragraph 79 of Appendix C to the principal Rules as in force immediately before 1 February 2024 continues to apply to and in relation to any core bundle filed before that date.

*[G.N. Nos. S 294/2022; S 754/2022; S 779/2023]*

Made on 22 January 2024.

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