

The IFRS Interpretations Committee 30 Cannon Street London EC4M 6XH By email to: mhahn@ifrs.org

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Dear Sirs,

## **Re: IFRS 9** Financial Instruments - Modification or Exchanges of Financial Liabilities that do not Result in Derecognition

The International Swaps and Derivatives Association ("ISDA")<sup>1</sup> is pleased for the opportunity to respond to IFRS Interpretations Committee's (the "Interpretation Committee") tentative agenda decision made at its March 2017 meeting (agenda paper 11).

This relates to the treatment under IFRS 9 of any adjustment to the amortised cost of a financial liability arising from modification or exchanges that do not result in derecognition.

In light of the potential importance of the Interpretation Committee's tentative agenda decision to some preparers, we believe that the tentative agenda decision should be subject to the normal due process of an IFRIC Interpretation.

In the absence of such a process, there is risk that interested parties may not be aware and therefore miss the opportunity to comment.

Yours faithfully,

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