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From: [23]

To: RBNZ Act Review [TSY]

Subject: Submission for 3rd round review of Deposit Takers Act ("the Act")

Date: Monday, 29 June 2020 2:52:24 PM

Importance: High

Dear Sirs..

I write in regard to the decision in the Act to insure deposits "...up to a limit of \$50,000, per depositor, per institution"

I submit that this section should provide (and clearly define) that "per depositor" in regard to joint accounts of couples means \$50,000 per each of those joint depositors (as is the case in the UK).

Such provision would clarify the position, and potentially prevent married investors from causing banking panic by moving life savings investments around. It would also give aged investors financial security (potentially avoiding their becoming a financial burden on the Government from loss of life savings).

Thank you for your consideration of this submission.

Yours sincerely

Wendy Duggan