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Dear Mahtab

## Designating new approved regulators and approving rule changes

The Bar Council has had an opportunity to consider the response submitted by the Bar Standards Board to your discussion paper, *Designating new approved regulators and approving rule changes*.

The Bar Council endorses the response submitted by the BSB to the discussion paper. In particular, we agree with the comments made by the BSB relating to their concern about the wide application given to the definition of regulatory arrangements and the difficulties which may result from such a wide interpretation. It must be of benefit to all concerned to ensure that the procedures, particularly those relating to the approval of changes to the regulatory arrangements, are streamlined and efficient.

Yours sincerely

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THE BAR COUNCIL