

**IMMEDIATE
ATTENTION**

EBAP/09/124

August 31, 2009

To: Members of the Executive Board

From: The Acting Managing Director

Subject: **Organizational Change Under Rule N-12**

I wish to inform the Executive Board of my intention to make the following organizational change in the Middle East and Central Asia Department (MCD):

- The change of name for the Regional Studies Unit (RSU) to the Regional Studies Division (RSD). The creation of this division is consistent with the structure in other area departments, and is in line with MCD's business strategy. It is expected that this will improve the use of resources and increase efficiency in the department.

In connection with this reorganization, the following B-level staff will be reassigned:

- Mr. Ralph Chami (B2, United States), currently Advisor, Immediate Office, Middle East and Central Asia Department, to the position of Division Chief (B2), Regional Studies Division, Middle East and Central Asia Department, effective September 16, 2009.

A brief curriculum vitae is attached.

Att: (1)

Other Distribution:
Department Heads

CURRICULUM VITAE

Ralph Chami



NATIONAL OF: United States

EDUCATION:

1983	B.Sc., Sciences, The American University of Beirut
1986	M.B.A., Statistics & Finance, The University of Kansas
1988	M.A., Economics, The Johns Hopkins University
1992	Ph.D., Economics, The Johns Hopkins University

OTHER WORK EXPERIENCE:

1981 - 1983	Societe Nationale D'Assurances s.a.l. Economic Analyst
1995 - 1996	The World Bank Consultant
1998	Marathon Oil Company Consultant
1991 - 1998	The University of Notre Dame Assistant Professor

FUND CAREER:

09.01.1998	Visiting Scholar, Middle Eastern Division, INS (Contractual Appointment)
10.01.1999	Economist, Middle Eastern Division, INS
11.01.2000	Senior Economist, Middle Eastern Division, INS
10.21.2002	Deputy Division Chief, Middle Eastern Division, INS
06.01.2005	Division Chief, Middle Eastern Division, INS
05.01.2009	Advisor, Immediate Office, MCD