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## **INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REVIEW REPORT** To the members of Abbott Laboratories (Pakistan) Limited (the Company)

## Review Report on the Statement of Compliance contained in Listed Companies (Code of Corporate Governance) Regulations, 2019

We have reviewed the enclosed Statement of Compliance with the Listed Companies (Code of Corporate Governance) Regulations, 2019 (the Regulations) prepared by the Board of Directors of **Abbott Laboratories** (**Pakistan**) Limited for the year ended **31 December 2022** in accordance with the requirements of regulation 36 of the Regulations.

The responsibility for compliance with the Regulations is that of the Board of Directors of the Company. Our responsibility is to review whether the Statement of Compliance reflects the status of the Company's compliance with the provisions of the Regulations and report if it does not and to highlight any non-compliance with the requirements of the Regulations. A review is limited primarily to inquiries of the Company's personnel and review of various documents prepared by the Company to comply with the Regulations.

As a part of our audit of the financial statements we are required to obtain an understanding of the accounting and internal control systems sufficient to plan the audit and develop an effective audit approach. We are not required to consider whether the Board of Directors' statement on internal control covers all risks and controls or to form an opinion on the effectiveness of such internal controls, the Company's corporate governance procedures and risks.

The Regulations require the Company to place before the Audit Committee, and upon recommendation of the Audit Committee, place before the Board of Directors for their review and approval, its related party transactions. We are only required and have ensured compliance of this requirement to the extent of the approval of the related party transactions by the Board of Directors upon recommendation of the Audit Committee.

Based on our review, nothing has come to our attention which causes us to believe that the Statement of Compliance does not appropriately reflect the Company's compliance, in all material respects, with the requirements contained in the Regulations as applicable to the Company for the year ended 31 December 2022.

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Chartered Accountants

Place: Karachi Date: 03 March 2023 UDIN: CR202210120PNjgUc4uGC

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## STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE WITH LISTED COMPANIES (CODE OF CORPORATE GOVERNANCE) REGULATIONS, 2019

## Abbott Laboratories (Pakistan) Limited for the year ended 31st December 2022.

This statement is being presented to comply with the Listed Companies (Code of Corporate Governance) Regulations, 2019 (Regulations) for the purpose of establishing a framework of good governance, whereby a listed company is managed in compliance with the best practices of corporate governance.

The Company has complied with the requirements of the regulations in the following manner:

- 1. The total number of directors are 7 (seven) as per the following:
  - a. Male: 5
  - b. Female: 2
- 2. The composition of the Board is as follows:

Category	Names
Independent Directors	Mr. Ehsan Ali Malik (Chairman)
	Mr. Mohsin Ali Nathani
	Ms. Ayla Majid
Other Non-Executive Directors	Mr. Celestino Jacinto Dos Anjos
	Mr. Muhammad Anjum Latif Rana
Executive Directors	Syed Anis Ahmed
	Ms. Seema Khan
Female Directors	Ms. Ayla Majid
	Ms. Seema Khan

- 3. The directors have confirmed that none of them is serving as a director on more than seven listed companies, including this Company;
- 4. The Company has prepared a Code of Conduct and has ensured that appropriate steps have been taken to disseminate it throughout the company along with its supporting policies and procedures;
- The Board has developed a vision/mission statement, overall corporate strategy and significant policies of the Company. The Board has ensured that complete record of particulars of significant policies along with their date of approval or updating is maintained by the Company;
- 6. All the powers of the Board have been duly exercised and decisions on relevant matters have been taken by the Board as empowered by the relevant provisions of the Companies Act, 2017 (the Act) and these Regulations;
- 7. The meetings of the Board were presided over by the Chairman. The Board has complied with the requirements of Act and the Regulations with respect to frequency, recording and circulating minutes of meeting of the Board;

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- 8. The Board of Directors have a formal policy and transparent procedure for remuneration of directors in accordance with the Act and these Regulations;
- 9. All the directors have obtained certification under the Directors' Training program except for the newly appointed Director, who will obtain the certification within the timelines provided in these Regulations;
- 10. The Board has approved appointment of Chief Financial Officer, Company Secretary and Head of Internal Audit including their remuneration and terms and conditions of employment and complied with relevant requirements of the Regulations;
- 11. Chief Financial Officer and Chief Executive Officer duly endorsed the financial statements before approval of the Board;

Category	Names
	Mr. Mohsin Ali Nathani (Chairman)
Audit Committee	Ms. Ayla Majid
	Mr. Muhammad Anjum Latif Rana
HR & Remuneration Committee	Mr. Mohsin Ali Nathani (Chairman)
	Mr. Ehsan Ali Malik
	Syed Anis Ahmed
	Ms. Ayla Majid (Chairperson)
	Mr. Muhammad Anjum Latif Rana
Risk Management Committee	Syed Anis Ahmed
	Ms. Seema Khan
	Mr. Celestino Jacinto Dos Anjos
	Mr. Ehsan Ali Malik (Chairman)
Nomination Committee	Syed Anis Ahmed
	Mr. Mohsin Ali Nathani

12. The Board has formed committees comprising of members given below:

- The terms of reference of the Audit Committee, HR & Remuneration Committee and Risk Management Committee have been formed, documented and advised to the committee for compliance. The terms of reference of the Nomination Committee are in the process of being finalized and approved;
- 14. The frequency of meetings (quarterly / half yearly / yearly) of the committees were as per following:

a) Audit Committee: 4b) HR and Remuneration Committee: 2c) Risk Management Committee: 1

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- 15. The Board has set up an effective internal audit function who are considered suitably qualified and experienced for the purpose and are conversant with the policies and procedures of the Company;
- 16. The statutory auditors of the Company have confirmed that they have been given a satisfactory rating under the quality control review program of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Pakistan and registered with Audit Oversight Board of Pakistan, that they and all their partners are in compliance with International Federation of Accountants (IFAC) guidelines on code of ethics as adopted by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Pakistan and that they and the partners of the firm involved in the audit are not a close relative (spouse, parent, dependent and non-dependent children) of the Chief Executive Officer, Chief Financial Officer, Head of Internal Audit, Company Secretary or Director of the Company;
- 17. The statutory auditors or the persons associated with them have not been appointed to provide other services except in accordance with the Act, these regulations or any other regulatory requirement and the auditors have confirmed that they have observed IFAC guidelines in this regard;
- 18. We confirm that all requirements of regulations 3, 6, 7, 8, 27, 32, 33 and 36 of the Regulations have been complied with;

By order of the Board

Ehsan Ali Malik Chairman

Karachi: February 22, 2023

Syed Anis Ahmed Chief Executive Officer