



## ANNOUNCEMENT

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### **Curaçao Gaming Authority to Take Firm Action Against Illegal Operations**

Curacao registered companies operating from Curaçao without a CGA-issued license are acting unlawfully.

**Article 1.2 (1) of the National Ordinance for Games of Chance (LOK) states “Without, or contrary to, a CGA-issued Gaming License, or without any other legal authority to do so, it is not allowed to organize, or provide the opportunity to play, any Game of Chance in or from Curaçao”.**

Under this provision, entities that are established in Curacao can only offer online gaming, if they have a CGA-issued Gaming License.

The CGA is aware that there are many Curacao-registered companies holding foreign operating (“B2C”) licenses. Not only is this illegal, but this creates false and misleading impressions to third parties, including players and B2B providers, payment processors, and other service companies resulting in the supply of their services to Curaçao-registered companies that hold no valid Curaçao gaming license thereby facilitating unlawful gambling activities.

Additionally, the CGA would like to warn that this may also constitute a violation of Curacao’s Criminal Code.

Those enabling such operations - knowingly or otherwise – may be complicit in illegal activities.

As previously pointed out, the CGA will in light of these violations issue formal cease and desist letters to all Curaçao-registered companies operating under foreign licenses. The CGA will start issuing these letters in the coming days.