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## **Corporate and M&A Practice Group Newsletter**



## New templates for procedures before the National Foreign Investments Registry

Last September 4, 2020, new National Foreign Investments Registry templates were published in the Official Federal Gazette. They are the new templates that companies with foreign investors that are obliged to submit notices and periodic information to the National Foreign Investments Registry ("NFIR") must use under Foreign Investment Law and regulations. They include the Annual Economic Report, the Quarterly Update Notice and the Registration or Cancellation Notices, among others. These new templates are available on the NFIR's official website.

Although there are new specific requirements applicable to each type of notice, the main changes contemplated by the new templates are the following:

- 1. In the event the Company changes its economic activity and is a holding company, it must indicate the economic activities performed by the companies in which it has or will have participation;
- 2. In the event that the company does not have employees, it must justify said situation and identify the company of its corporate group or third party that is the employer of the employees.

- 3. Indicate the geographical destination of investments or origin of divestments.
- Always indicate those states in which the company has establishments and/or assets (either real estate or movable), indicating their value, production and sales.
- 5. Filing of specific Exhibits according to the information provided.
- 6. Detail of creditors and debtors of the company, according to the information available in its financial statements.

Likewise, in response to the current health contingency, the NFIR has enabled various mechanisms for the filing of the abovementioned notices, such as:

- a. Personally at NFIR's offices or at any representative office of the Ministry of the Economy, on business days from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., as long as the state health traffic light allows it;
- b. In any electronic format via email from 12:00 a.m. to 11:59 p.m. hours; or

c. Through the NFIR electronic platform (<u>https://rnie.</u> <u>economia.gob.mx</u>), after registration.

At Sánchez Devanny we are ready to advise our clients regarding the obligation (or not) to submit the abovementioned notices, and their filing with the NFIR in accordance with the new templates in force, thus avoiding the imposition of fines.

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