



Lebanon Branch Invoice

Client to provide Company Reg. No.: 921530

Address to be provided

Date: Friday, April 22, 2016 Invoice No: 2016 – 10 – 003p

Professional services rendered for <u>Lebanon Branch</u> (without travel)	Notes	Year 1 US\$	Year 2 US\$
Lebanon Branch formation fees (without travel)	1.	7,980	3,200
Branch legal registered office fees	2.	1,800	1,800
Estimate of Lebanon Government registration fees	3.	630	0
Lebanon corporate bank account opening fees (without travel)	4.	2,950	0
Estimate of independent legal attorney fees	5.	7,000	7,000
Estimate of annual accounting and tax fees	6.	0	2,300
Total Healy Consultants fees payable this week	7.	20,360	0
Estimate of total Healy Consultants fees payable after 12 months	8.		14,300

Note: this invoice needs to be tailored for each Client. The above services and fees represent the average requirements of our Clients. I recommend you carefully read the notes within the attached draft invoices to confirm and understand all services required by your Firm, eliminating the risk of unwanted fee surprises durin the engagement;

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Notes to invoice above

Healy Consultants fees to efficiently and effectively complete Lebanon branch registration within 5 weeks by i) choosing the optimum regulatory license for our Client's business activities ii) reserving a branch name with Lebanon Ministry of Economy and Trade (click link) iii) settling our accountant and lawyer fees and iv) preparing a high quality branch registration application for Ministry of Economy;

All <u>engagement fees</u> (click link) are agreed and paid up front and agree to the fees published on our country web pages. Consequently, there are no hidden fees, surprises or ambushes throughout the engagement. All engagement deadlines are agreed up front in the form of a <u>detailed project plan</u>, mapping out <u>deliverables</u> by week throughout the engagement term;



Every week during the engagement, Healy Consultants will email our Client a <u>detailed status</u> <u>update</u>. Our Client is immediately informed of engagement problems together with solutions. Your dedicated engagement manager is reachable by phone, Skype, live chat and email and will communicate in your preferred language;

- 2. In accordance with the <u>Decree Law No 46 of June 24, 1983, amended by Law No. 19 of September 5, 2008</u>, a Lebanon branch shall as from the date of its registration have a legal registered office in Lebanon, to which all official government communications and notices may be addressed. To comply with this statutory requirement, Healy Consultants' Lebanon office will be the registered office address for your branch. Thereafter, this address will be used to receive government correspondence including i) tax letters ii) notice of the legal annual return; and iii) all government communications. Most of our Clients wish to place <u>Healy Consultants' office address</u> on invoices, contracts, websites and business cards;
- 3. This fee is an estimate of government costs payable during your Firm's engagement. For transparency purposes, all government fee payments will be supported by original receipts and invoices. Examples of government costs include i) reserving the branch name with <u>Lebanon Ministry of Economy and Trade</u> (click link) ii) obtain the certificate of registration with the <u>Ministry of Economy</u>, iii) notify the commencement of business operations with <u>Ministry of Finance</u> iv) sign up with <u>National Social Security Fund</u>. Following engagement completion, Healy Consultants will refund our Client any excess of funds received over actual Government costs paid;

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4. Healy Consultants will be pleased to open a Lebanon corporate bank account without our Client travel. It is a time consuming task, and Healy Consultants will shelter our Client from the associated administrative challenges. As you can appreciate, it is a difficult task to obtain bank account approval through a newly formed branch when shareholders, directors and bank signatories reside overseas. Healy Consultants will prepare a business plan for the bank to optimize the probability of corporate bank account approval. Depending on our Client's business and nationality, there is a 20% probability the banks will request a bank signatory to travel for a one hour bank interview. Healy Consultants will try its best to negotiate with the bank for a travel exemption. If our Client must travel to Lebanon for corporate bank account opening, Healy Consultants will refund our Client US\$950;

If our Client is not comfortable with only a Lebanon corporate bank account, Healy Consultants will be pleased to open an international corporate bank account (click link) outside of Lebanon. Examples include New York, Germany, Liechtenstein, Austria, Bulgaria, South Africa, Australia, London, South America or Dubai. All banks will be top tier banks in these countries with excellent internet banking services. Example of our global banking partners include HSBC, Standard Chartered Bank, Citibank, Barclays, Standard bank, ANZ bank, VTB bank, UBS, Credit Suisse;

The banks enjoy ultimate power of approval of corporate bank account applications. Consequently, guaranteed success is outside of Healy Consultants' control. What is inside our control is the preparation and submission of a high quality bank application that maximizes the likelihood of approval. To date, we enjoy a 100% approval record because of <u>our global banking</u> relationships and determination.







Global banks continue to tighten corporate bank account opening procedures, their internal compliance departments completing more thorough due diligence of Clients. Consequently, our Clients should expect the bank account approval period to take up to 4 weeks. Furthermore, global banks now require evidence of proof of business in the country where the corporate bank account will be, including sales contracts or lease agreement;

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- In accordance with the <u>Decree Law No 46 of June 24, 1983, amended by Law No. 19 of September 5, 2008</u>, each Lebanon branch must appoint an independent legal attorney assigned by the Beirut Bar Association with yearly retainer fees;
- 6. For an active trading branch, these <u>accounting and tax</u> fees are an estimate of Healy Consultants fees to efficiently and effectively discharge your annual branch accounting and tax obligations. Following receipt of a set of draft accounting numbers from your company, Healy Consultants will more accurately advise accounting and tax fees. For a dormant branch, Healy Consultants fees are only US\$950:



- 7. All fees quoted in this invoice correspond to fees quoted on Healy Consultants' website. Please review this invoice carefully to identify errors. During the rush of the business day, it is possible that Healy Consultants inadvertently made fee calculation errors, typing errors or omitted services or omitted historic fee payments from Clients. In the unfortunate event you identify invoice errors, please revert to me directly re the same. I apologize in advance if I or my staff made invoice errors;
- 8. Assuming our Clients re-engage Healy Consultants in year 2, this fee is an estimate of the fees payable next year, 12 months after the date of branch registration;
- 9. The fees quoted in this invoice are a prediction of the fees required to efficiently and effectively complete this engagement in a timely manner. If during the engagement Healy Consultants realizes that the project is more complex than anticipated, requiring a large additional investment of time, my Firm will revert to request additional fees. If Healy Consultants completes the engagement faster than expected and more easily than expected, Healy Consultants is happy to refund some fees to our Client:
- 10. Branch business activities are limited to that of the parent company. The branch suffers a corporation tax, same as local companies when profits are realized in Lebanon, of 15%. A branch can i) lease office premises and ii) issue sales invoice to Clients' and iii) sign local legal contracts. A branch can import and export goods. The life of the branch is limited to that of the parent company.

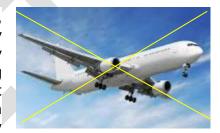
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- 11. Engage Healy Consultants to <u>project manage</u> business set up in every country on the planet. We are the best in the <u>world</u> at what we do, timely completing the A to Z of every country engagement;
- 12. As per <u>Decree Law No 46 of June 24, 1983, amended by Law No. 19 of September 5, 2008,</u> there is no minimum share capitals for Lebanon branches;
- 13. If our Client and Healy Consultants properly plan this engagement, our Clients' will <u>not</u> have to travel during this engagement. Healy Consultants will efficiently and effectively and aggressively complete branch registration and corporate bank account opening in a timely manner without our Client presence. Instead, our Client will need to i) sign and get documents legalized in the embassy in their country of origin and ii) courier the originals to Healy Consultants office:



- 14. If our Client requires non-resident nominee shareholder and director <u>services</u> (click link), Healy Consultants will be pleased to assist. Our fee for professional, passive nominee non-resident corporate shareholder amounts to US\$2,100 per annum. Our fee to be both non-resident nominee director and shareholder amounts to US\$6,600 per annum. Being the sole shareholders and sole director of a Client's branch exposes Healy Consultants to reputation, litigation and financial risk;
- 15. Depending on our Client business and nationality, the Lebanon Government may require a special regulatory license to carry on your business in the country. Healy Consultants will assist our Client secure license approval. However, the Government enjoys ultimate power of approval of company registrations and business licenses;
- 16. Some of our Clients request Healy Consultants to provide temporary shared office space for 6 months until their preferred business premises is found. If your Firm requires this service, our one-time fee is US\$950. Monthly rental thereafter is paid directly to the landlord, independently of Healy Consultants;
- 17. It is important our Clients are aware of their personal and corporate tax obligations in their country of residence and domicile. Let us know if you need Healy Consultants help to clarify your local and international annual tax reporting obligations;

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- 18. During the engagement, shareholders and directors documents may need to be translated into the local language before the Government and Bank approves company registration and corporate bank account opening respectively. Consequently, our Client should budget for possible additional translation and embassy atestation fees. Either our Client or Healy Consultants can complete this administrative task:
 - As always, Healy Consultants will negotiate with all third parties to eliminate or reduce additional engagement costs. For transparency purposes, all third party fee payments will be supported by original receipts and invoices. Examples of possible third party payments include i) embassy fees ii) notary public costs iii) official translator fees;
- 19. Monthly, quarterly and mid-year Government tax obligations include monthly and quarterly payroll reporting, VAT and corporation tax return filing. If you need our help, Healy Consultants can complete monthly Government reporting for a monthly fee of US\$860. Healy Consultants monthly support will include i) receive in dropbox the monthly invoices from our client ii) label monthly bank statement transactions iii) preparation and submission of VAT returns and iv) submission of monthly employee payroll reporting;
- 20. Some of our Clients' require an <u>immediate country solution</u>. With this strategy, within a day Healy Consultants can supply our Client i) an existing dormant Lebanon company number and ii) an already approved Lebanon corporate bank account number and iii) a business address. Turnkey solutions are attractive to those entrepreneurs who wish to immediately close a country deal, sign a contract or invoice a customer;
- 21. As stipulated on our <u>business website</u> and in section 3 of our engagement letter, Healy Consultants will only commence the engagement following i) settlement of our fees and ii) completion and signing of our legal engagement letter;
- 22. Healy Consultants will only incorporate your company after 75% of <u>due diligence documentation</u> is received by email. Healy Consultants will only open a corporate bank account after 100% of the Client's original due diligence documentation is received by courier;
- 23. During the annual renewal engagement with our Client, our in-house <u>Legal and Compliance</u> <u>Department (click link)</u> reviews the quality and completeness of our Client file. Consequently, Healy Consultants may revert to our Client to ask for more up to date <u>due diligence documentation</u>;

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- 24. To assist our Clients to minimize foreign exchange costs, we offer the payment in SG\$, Euro, Pounds or US\$. Kindly let me know in which currency your Firm prefers to settle our fees and I will send an updated invoice, thank you;
- 25. Some of our Clients' engage Healy Consultants to <u>recruit (click link)</u> local employees. We have a lot of experience in this area and we are quite skilled at securing quality candidates for our Clients';

Thank you for your business and we look forward to working closely with you over the coming weeks as we engineer your Lebanon corporate structure.

Best regards

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