ADR DIRECTIVE SUPPLEMENTARY INSTRUMENT 2015

Powers exercised by the Financial Ombudsman Service Limited

- A. The Financial Ombudsman Service Limited makes and amends:
 - (i) rules relating to the complaint handling procedures of the Financial Ombudsman Service; and
 - (ii) the standard terms for Voluntary Jurisdiction participants;

as set out in Annex A and B in the exercise of the following powers and related provisions in the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 ("the Act"):

(1) section 227 (Voluntary Jurisdiction);
(2) paragraph 14 (The scheme's operator's rules) of Schedule 17;
(3) paragraph 18 (Terms of reference to the scheme) of Schedule 17; and
(4) paragraph 22 (Consultation) of Schedule 17.

B. The making (and amendment) of rules and standard terms in Annexes A and B by the Financial Ombudsman Service Limited is subject to the consent and approval of the Financial Conduct Authority.

Commencement

C. This instrument comes into force on 9 July 2015.

Amendments to the FCA Handbook

- D. The Glossary of definitions is amended in accordance with Annex A to this instrument.
- E. The Dispute Resolution: Complaints sourcebook (DISP) is amended in accordance with Annex B to this instrument.

Citation

F. This instrument may be cited as the ADR Directive Supplementary Instrument 2015.

By order of the Board of the Financial Ombudsman Service 3 June 2015

Consented to, and approved by, the Board of the Financial Conduct Authority 2 July 2015

Annex A

Amendments to the Glossary of definitions

In this annex, underlining indicates new text and striking through indicates deleted text, unless otherwise stated.

chargeable case	•	any complaint referred to the Financial Ombudsman Service, except where:	
	(c)	the Ombudsman considers it apparent from the complaint when it is received, and from any redress determination which has been issued by the respondent, that the respondent has reviewed the subject matter of the complaint and issued a redress determination in accordance with the terms of a consumer redress scheme, unless the complainant and the respondent agree that the complaint should not be dealt with by the Ombudsman in accordance with the consumer redress scheme.	

Annex B

Amendments to the Dispute Resolution: Complaints sourcebook (DISP)

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3.2 Jurisdiction

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- 3.2.2 R Unless the *respondent* has already had eight weeks to consider the *complaint* or issued a *final response*, the *Ombudsman* will refer the *complaint* to the *respondent* (except where *DISP* 2.8.1R(4) applies).
- 3.2.2A R If the subject matter of a *complaint* falls to be dealt with by the *respondent* under a *consumer redress scheme*, and the time limits specified under the scheme for doing so have not yet expired, the *Ombudsman* will refer it to the *respondent* to be dealt with under the scheme (except where *DISP* 2.8.1R(4) applies).