BENEFIT ELECTION FORM

THE CENTAURUS LITE

RETIREMENT BENEFIT SCHEME

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Sovereign Pension Services Limited is licensed as a retirement scheme administrator by the Malta Financial Services Authority ("MFSA"). The Centaurus Lite Retirement Benefit Scheme is licensed and regulated by the MFSA as a personal retirement scheme. The licence of the scheme is not an endorsement by the MFSA of the scheme's financial performance. There exists no statutory provision for compensation in the case where the Scheme is unable to satisfy the liabilities attributable to it.



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There may be restrictions on how benefits are taken. This will depend on a number of factors and may include the country of origin of your pension transfers, your age and your current country of tax residency. Please contact your appointed investment adviser for further details.

You are strongly advised to seek independent tax advice on the implications of how you take benefits from your pension. Payment from your pension fund will be considered as income in the year of receipt. Drawdown payments may be taxable in Malta and your country of tax residence. The pension commencement lump sum may also be taxable in your country of tax residence.

Please ensure that you read this form carefully, together with any corresponding annotations. For the avoidance of doubt, UK relevant transfer funds refer to funds which have originated from a UK pension scheme.

Note that pension payments can only be made once this Benefit Election Form has been received in a Sovereign office in original or alternatively signed with an acceptable electronic signature (e.g. DocuSign, Adobe Sign) accompanied by the respective digital certificate of completion.

Tick here if your fund does not contain UK relevant transfer funds

Personal Details

Title:	Surname:	
Full forename(s):		
Date of birth:	/	Membership number:
Contact Details		
Contact number:		
Email address:		
Current residentia	l address¹:	

Bank account details

Please provide us with the details of the account to which you wish your benefit to be paid. The account must be in your personal name (a joint account may be used).

Bank name and address:	
Account name:	Account currency:
Account No:	IBAN:
Sort code:(if applicabl	e) Swift code:(if applicable)
Intermediary bank name (if applicable)	
Intermediary Swift code:	
Note : Failure to provide us with all of the above requerequest.	ested information may delay the processing of your payment
In specie payments	

Please tick if you wish your pension payment to be made *in specie*.

Benefits Request

Pension Commencement Lump Sum ("PCLS")
Please select the level of PCLS benefit you wish to receive from the scheme:
The maximum percentage available ²
Specified percentage %
Specified amount
Currency of payment: GBP(£) EUR(€) USD(\$) Other (please specify)
Income Drawdown
No income at the current time
Capped drawdown ³
Flexi-access drawdown ⁴
Capped Drawdown
The maximum amount available
Specified amount
Specified percentage of the UK Government Actuary's Department ('GAD') limit ⁵ %
Currency of payment: GBP(£) EUR(€) USD(\$) Other (please specify)
Please indicate the frequency of payment of capped drawdown:
One off payment Quarterly Semi-annually Annually
Date of first payment: Immediately Date://
Flexi-access Drawdown
From 1st January 2016, flexi-access drawdown became available in Malta and you may access 100 per cent of you pension fund at retirement (subject to all applicable fees). Please indicate below the amount or percentage of you fund that you require to access immediately.
Specified amount
Specified percentage of your pension fund value%
Currency of payment: GBP(£) EUR(€) USD(\$) Other (please specify)
Please indicate the frequency of payment of flexi-access drawdown:
One off payment Quarterly Semi-annually Annually
Date of first payment: Immediately Date://

 ² The PCLS payable on UK relevant transfer funds is capped at 25 per cent of the pension fund value. Otherwise, the maximum PCLS payable will be 30 per cent of the pension fund value.
 ³ This option is only available to members who commenced drawing retirement benefits prior to 1st January 2016, or, whose pension fund does not contain UK relevant transfer funds.
 ⁴ This option is only available for UK relevant transfer funds.
 ⁵ Maximum limit is 150 per cent of UK GAD.

Asset Nomination

Unless you are a professional member, please speak to your investment adviser for advice and guidance on completing this section of the form.

You may choose to nominate a holding within your investment portfolio and Sovereign will make the necessary arrangements to sell this in order to fund your income payment. Please indicate in the table below the asset(s) you wish to sell and the amount or percentage to be used to fund the income payment requested.

100% Cash fund

Withdrawn equally across all funds

From the funds listed below:

Asset name	ISIN/SEDOL	Amount or %

Please continue on a separate page if more space is required.

I declare that I am providing the disinvestment instructions above after being provided with advice by my appointed investment adviser. I have been made aware of dealing charges, surrender penalties and/or other fees that may apply on the sale of asset(s) indicated above.

Member's name: ______

Member's signature: _____

Date: _____ / ____ / _____

Benefit Declaration

I hereby request that the benefits indicated in this form are paid to me.

- If I elect now, or at any time in the future, to take capped drawdown or FAD in preference to PCLS, I waive the right to any future PCLS at a future date. If I elect to take a reduced PCLS which is less than the maximum calculated at determination, I will have 12 months from the point I was in receipt of the reduced PCLS to utilise any unused PCLS. If I elect to take a reduced PCLS which is less than the maximum calculated at the determination date and choose to take capped drawdown or FAD, I will waive the right to any residual unused PCLS.
- 2. I understand that it is my sole responsibility to declare any income I may receive from the scheme in the country in which I am tax resident. I hereby provide a full and unconditional indemnity to Sovereign Pension Services Limited ("the Trustee") for any tax liability, interest or charges which may occur and be levied on the Trustee as the result of any false or incorrect declaration I have made which ultimately results in such a liability imposed by any tax authority in any country.
- 3. I accept any third party bank charges payable in connection to the benefit payment to be made to my bank account.
- 4. I acknowledge that with respect to any benefit payment derived from UK tax relieved funds, HMRC may levy a member payment charge in connection to my benefit payment depending on the number of years I have ceased to be a UK tax resident.
- 5. I accept that if I withdraw a significant amount from my invested funds, investment provider charges and fees may still be based on the premium invested. I am also aware that early surrender penalties may apply if surrendered within any stated "lock in" period.
- 6. Should this benefit payment be a request for full commutation under the FAD rules, I understand that I will cease to be a member of the scheme following the payment. This payment will fully discharge the Trustee of any liability to provide further benefits to me or my nominated beneficiaries.

I hereby make this benefit election subject to and in accordance with the rules and the terms and conditions of the scheme.

Member's name: _____

Member's signature: _____

Date: _____/____/_____/

Once completed, please return this form by email to <u>maltapensions@SovereignGroup.com</u> and send the original by post to the address below. Please note that pension payments for full commutation under FAD rules can only be made once the original signed version of this Benefit Election Form has been received at a Sovereign office.

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Tax Residency Declaration

l am currently tax resident in:									
Current tax reference number(s):									
Date the above tax residency/residencies commenced:/	/								
Note: If not already provided, please provide us with documentary evidence from the tax authority, as proof of tax residency. This must be dated within 12 months preceding the date of this declaration.									
1. Have you taken a pension payment in the previous Maltese tax	year ⁶ ?	Yes	No						
a. If yes, do you have other income earning assets in Malta 7	?	Yes	No No						
b. If you have answered Yes to question 1(a), please provide u	us with your Maltese T	ax Number:							
2. Have you changed tax residency country in the previous Maltes	se tax year ⁶ ?	Yes	No No						
If you have answered yes to both questions 1 and 2 above, please a	lso provide the follow	/ing:							
Previous tax residence country:	Tax reference:								
• A closing tax certificate from your previous country of tax res	idence								
		An opening tax certificate from your current country/countries of tax residence.							
		Yes	No						
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I hereby confirm that I am not UK resident for tax purposes and have been non-UK tax resident for ______ full, complete and consecutive UK tax years⁸. I also confirm that it is not my intention to return to the UK in the foreseeable future.

Member's signature: ______

Member's full name: _____

Date: _____ / ____ / _____

⁶ Maltese Tax year runs from 1st January to 31st December.
 ⁷ Any asset held in Malta, such as further investments, property, etc, on which you are earning income.
 ⁸ UK tax years run from 6th April to 5th April.

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