Press Release *Global Finance* Names The Safest Banks In Latin America 2018

NEW YORK, September 20, 2018 — *Global Finance* has named the Safest Banks in Latin America in an exclusive survey to be published in the November 2018 issue as part of the publication's 27th annual ranking of the World's Safest Banks.

Chilean banks dominate the list once again this year, taking the top 4 positions, and Mexican banks are the most heavily represented, with five in the top ten.

The full report includes the following rankings: World's 50 Safest Banks, World's 50 Safest Commercial Banks, Safest Banks by Country, 50 Safest Banks in Emerging Markets, Safest Islamic Financial Institutions in the GCC, and Safest Banks by Region (Africa, Asia, Australasia, Central & Eastern Europe, Latin America, the Middle East, North America and Western Europe).

"Banks in Latin America have been under pressure from economic and political upheaval in many countries. The region could face even more uncertainty with newly elected governments in place and continuing scandals afflicting the area. That said our ranking underscores the stability and safety of many institutions despite the surrounding environment and offers a helpful tool for comparing institutional strength throughout the area," says *Global Finance* publisher and editorial director Joseph D. Giarraputo.

Banks were selected through an evaluation of long-term foreign currency ratings—from Moody's, Standard & Poor's and Fitch—of the 500 largest banks worldwide.

Safest Banks in Latin America 2018*

RANK	BANK NAME	COUNTRY
1	Banco del Estado de Chile*	CHILE
2	Banco Santander Chile	CHILE
3	Banco de Chile	CHILE
4	Banco de Credito e Inversiones	CHILE
5	HSBC Mexico	MEXICO
6	Scotiabank Peru	PERU
7	Banco Mercantil del Norte	MEXICO
8	Banobras	MEXICO
9	Nacional Financiera	MEXICO
10	Banco Nacional de Comercio Exterior	MEXICO

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