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Appendix B.4 – Fraternal Benefit Societies

Investments for a Limited Period of Time

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Notes:

In this Appendix,

- **Society** refers to a fraternal benefit society;
- other abbreviations and capitalized terms have the meaning ascribed to them on pages 1 and 2 of the Advisory; and
- references to provisions are to those of the ICA.

Temporary investment [552(3)(a) and 557]	A Society may acquire control of, or acquire or increase a substantial investment in, any entity as a temporary investment [557(1)]. **Holding period:** • Where the entity is not a PE only because the Society did not obtain the Minister's approval under subsection 554(5), the Society may hold control of, or a substantial investment in, the entity for (a) **90 days**, or (b) **over 90 days** where the Society requests, within 90 days of acquiring control of, or acquiring or increasing a substantial investment in, the entity, the Minister's approval to extend the holding period[557(4)]. At the Society's request, the Minister may (a) allow the Society to reclassify the investment under the PE category [552(5), (6) and 554(5)] or (b) extend the holding period, including for an indeterminate period [557(4)]. • In all other cases, the Society may hold control of, or a substantial investment in, the entity for **2 years** or such other period specified by the Superintendent [557(1)]. At the Society's request, the Superintendent may extend the holding period for one or more finite periods [557(3)].
Loan workout [552(3)(b) and 558]	Where an entity is in default with respect to a loan that a Society or its subsidiary has made to the entity, the Society or the subsidiary may acquire all or any of the shares of, or ownership interests in, (i) the entity, (ii) any affiliates of the entity, or (iii) an entity that is primarily engaged in holding shares of, ownership interests in, or assets acquired from, the entity to which the loan was made or any affiliates of the entity to which the loan was made [558(1)]. **Holding period:** • The Society may hold control of, or a substantial investment in, the entity for **5 years** [558(2)] or longer where the Superintendent grants an extension [558(4)]. • Where the entity is not a PE only because the Society did not obtain the Minister's approval under section 554, the Society may hold control of, or a substantial investment in, the entity for an **indeterminate period** where the Society, within the holding period described above, (a) reclassifies the investment under the PE category, with the Minister's approval [552(5), (6) and 554(5)] or (b) obtains the Minister's approval [558(7)]. Despite the above, where a foreign government, or an entity controlled by a foreign government, is in default with respect to a loan from, or debt obligations held by, a Society, the Society may acquire all or any of the shares of, or ownership interests in, the entity or any other entity designated by the foreign government, if the acquisition is part of a debt restructuring program [558(5)]. The Society may hold those shares or ownership interests for a period specified by the Superintendent, including for an indeterminate period [558(6)].

Realization of a security interest [552(3)(c) and 559]	A Society may, through the realization of a security interest held by the Society or its subsidiary, acquire control of, or acquire or increase a substantial investment in, any entity [559(1)]. **Holding period:** • The Society may hold control of, or a substantial investment in, the entity for **5 years** [559(2)] or longer where the Superintendent grants an extension [599(4)]. • where the entity is not a PE only because the Society did not obtain the Minister's approval under section 554, the Society may hold control of, or a substantial investment in, the entity for an **indeterminate period** where the Society, within the holding period described above, (a) reclassifies the investment under the PE category, with the Minister's approval [552(5), (6) and 554(5)] or (b) obtains the Minister's approval [559(5)].