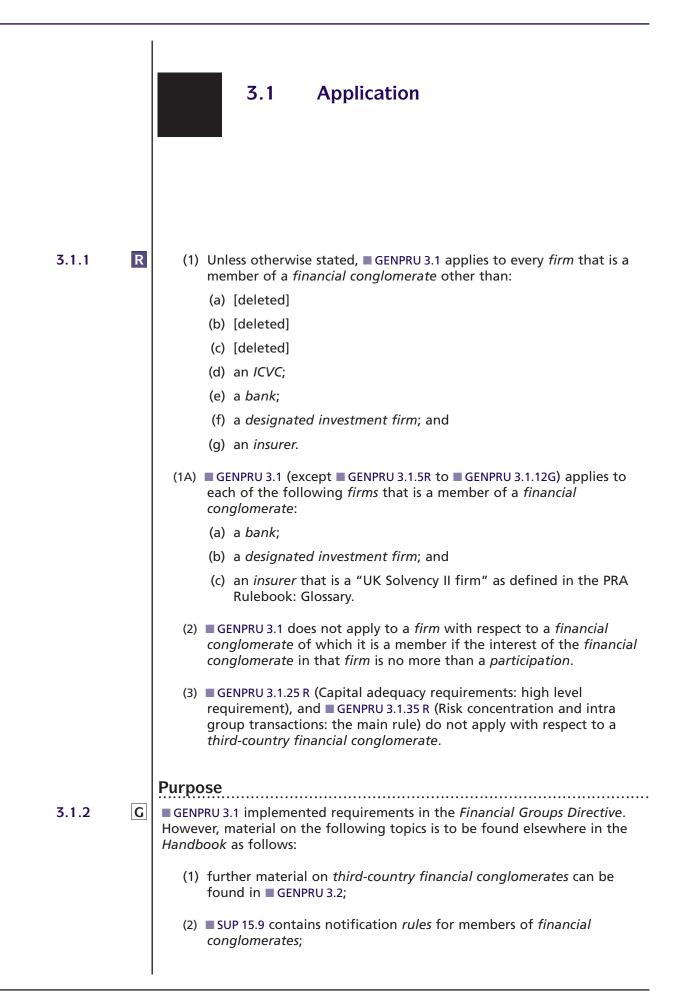
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- (3) material on reporting obligations can be found in SUP 16.12.32 R and SUP 16.12.33 R; and
- (4) material on systems and controls in *financial conglomerates* can be found in SYSC 12.
- **3.1.2A G G G G G G E NPRU 3.1** has been amended to reflect the introduction of a new prudential regime for *MiFID* investment firms (*MIFIDPRU*). This new regime streamlines and simplifies the prudential requirements for *MIFIDPRU investment firms*. It refocuses prudential requirements and expectations away from the risks a *firm* faces to also consider, and look to mitigate, the potential for harm these *firms* can pose to consumers and markets. If a *financial conglomerate* for which the *FCA* is the *coordinator* considers the amendments to **G G ENPRU 3.1** do not appropriately reflect the risks and potential harms to which its activities give rise, it should contact the *FCA* to discuss how the *rules* could be modified to do so.

Introduction: identifying a financial conglomerate

- (1) In general the process in (2) to (8) applies for identifying *financial conglomerates*.
- (2) The relevant competent authority that has authorised regulated entities should try to identify any consolidation group that is a financial conglomerate. If a competent authority is of the opinion that a regulated entity authorised by that competent authority is a member of a consolidation group which may be a financial conglomerate it should communicate its view to the other competent authority.
- (3) A *competent authority* may start (as described in (2)) the process of deciding whether a group is a *financial conglomerate* even if it would not be the *coordinator*.
- (4) A member of a group may also start that process by notifying one of the competent authorities that have authorised group members that its group may be a financial conglomerate, for example by notification under SUP 15.9.
- (5) If a group member gives a notification in accordance with (4), that does not automatically mean that the group should be treated as a *financial conglomerate*. The process described in (6) to (9) still applies.
- (6) The *competent authority* that would be *coordinator* will take the lead in establishing whether a group is a *financial conglomerate* once the process has been started as described in (2) and (3).
- (7) The process of establishing whether a group is a *financial* conglomerate will normally involve discussions between the *financial* conglomerate and the competent authorities concerned.
- (8) A *financial conglomerate* should be notified by its *coordinator* that it has been identified as a *financial conglomerate* and of the appointment of the *coordinator*. The notification should be given to the *parent undertaking* at the head of the group or, in the absence of a *parent undertaking*, the *regulated entity* with the largest

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balance sheet total in the most important financial sector. That notification does not of itself make a group into a financial conglomerate; whether or not a group is a financial conglomerate is governed by the definition of *financial conglomerate* as set out in GENPRU 3.1. (9) GENPRU 3 Annex 3 is a questionnaire (together with its explanatory notes) that the FCA asks groups that may be financial conglomerates to fill out in order to decide whether or not they are. (10) If a mixed financial holding company is subject to equivalent provisions under the UK prudential sectoral legislation in relation to the banking and investment services sector and under GENPRU 3 (Cross sector groups) and the FCA is the coordinator, the FCA may, on application by a *firm* and after consulting the other competent authority responsible for the supervision of subsidiaries, disapply such provisions of the UK prudential sectoral legislation in relation to the banking and investment services sector with regard to the mixed financial holding company and apply only the relevant provisions of ■ GENPRU 3 to the mixed financial holding company. 3.1.3A G If a mixed financial holding company is subject to equivalent provisions under this Chapter and under UK prudential sectoral legislation in relation to the insurance sector and the FCA is the coordinator, the FCA may, on application by the firm, disapply such provisions of the UK prudential sectoral legislation with regard to that undertaking which are considered by the FCA as equivalent to those applying to the firm under GENPRU 3.1. [Note: article 120(2) of CRD] Introduction: The role of other competent authorities G 3.1.4 A lead supervisor (called the coordinator) is appointed for each financial conglomerate. The definition of coordinator in the Financial Groups Directive *Regulations* describes the criteria for deciding which *competent authority* is appointed as coordinator. [Note: Article 10 and 11 of the Financial Groups Directive] Definition of financial conglomerate: basic definition 3.1.5 R A financial conglomerate means a consolidation group that is identified as a financial conglomerate in accordance with the decision tree in GENPRU 3 Annex 4. Definition of financial conglomerate: sub-groups 3.1.6 R A consolidation group is not prevented from being a financial conglomerate because it is part of a wider: (1) consolidation group; or (2) financial conglomerate; or (3) group of persons linked in some other way.

		Definition of financial conglomerate: the financial sectors: general
3.1.7	R	For the purpose of the definition of <i>financial conglomerate</i> , there are two <i>financial sectors</i> as follows:
		 the banking sector and the investment services sector, taken together; and
		(2) the insurance sector.
3.1.8	R	(1) This <i>rule</i> applies for the purpose of the definition of <i>financial conglomerate</i> and the <i>financial</i> conglomerate definition decision tree.
		(1A) [deleted]
		(2) Any <i>mixed financial holding company</i> is considered to be outside the <i>overall financial sector</i> for the purpose of the tests set out in the boxes titled Threshold Test 1, Threshold Test 2 and Threshold Test 3 in the <i>financial conglomerate definition decision tree</i> .
		(3) Determining whether the tests set out in the boxes titled Threshold Test 2 and Threshold Test 3 in the <i>financial conglomerate definition</i> <i>decision tree</i> are passed is based on considering the consolidated and/ or aggregated activities of the members of the <i>consolidation group</i> within the <i>insurance sector</i> and the consolidated and/or aggregated activities of the members of the <i>consolidation group</i> within the <i>banking sector</i> and the <i>investment services sector</i> .
		Definition of financial conglomerate: adjustment of the percentages
3.1.9	R	Once a <i>financial conglomerate</i> has become a <i>financial conglomerate</i> and subject to supervision in accordance with this chapter, the figures in the <i>financial conglomerate definition decision tree</i> are altered as follows:
		 the figure of 40% in the box titled Threshold Test 1 is replaced by 35%;
		(2) the figure of 10% in the box titled Threshold Test 2 is replaced by 8%; and
		(3) the figure of six billion Euro in the box titled Threshold Test 3 is replaced by five billion Euro.
3.1.10	R	The alteration in GENPRU 3.1.9 R only applies to a <i>financial conglomerate</i> during the period that:
		(1) begins when the <i>financial conglomerate</i> would otherwise have stopped being a <i>financial conglomerate</i> because it does not meet one of the unaltered thresholds referred to in GENPRU 3.1.9 R; and
		(2) covers the three years following that date.
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		Definition of financial conglomerate: balance sheet totals
3.1.11	R	The calculations referred to in the <i>financial conglomerate definition decision</i> <i>tree</i> regarding the balance sheet must be made on the basis of the aggregated balance sheet total of the members of the <i>consolidation group</i> , according to their annual accounts. For the purposes of this calculation, <i>undertakings</i> in which a <i>participation</i> is held must be taken into account as regards the amount of their balance sheet total corresponding to the aggregated proportional share held by the <i>consolidation group</i> . However, where consolidated accounts are available, they must be used instead of aggregated accounts.
		Definition of financial conglomerate: solvency requirement
3.1.12	R	The solvency and capital adequacy requirements referred to in the <i>financial conglomerate definition decision tree</i> must be calculated in accordance with the provisions of the relevant <i>sectoral rules</i> .
		Definition of financial conglomerate: discretionary changes to the definition
3.1.13	G	Regulation 16 to 20, 21 and 24 of the <i>financial groups directive regulations</i> allow <i>competent authorities</i> , on a case by case basis, to:
		 (1) change the definition of <i>financial conglomerate</i> and the obligations applying with respect to a <i>financial conglomerate</i> (which would include, where the <i>appropriate regulator</i> would be the <i>coordinator</i> under GENPRU 3.1.3G (6), permitting <i>firms</i> to apply, on an annual basis and subject to publication and notification to the <i>competent authority</i>, for a group of which it is a member not to be regarded as a <i>financial conglomerate</i> on the basis of regulation 16 of the <i>financial groups directive regulations</i> (for a group that, in terms of the tests in GENPRU 3 Annex 4, does not meet Threshold Test 2 but meets Threshold Test 3) or regulation 17 of the <i>financial groups directive regulations</i> (for a group that, in terms of the tests in GENPRU 3 Annex 4, meets Threshold Test 2 but not Threshold Test 3); (2) apply the scheme in the <i>financial groups directive regulations</i> to <i>UK regulated entities</i> in specified kinds of group structures that do not come within the definition of <i>financial conglomerate</i>; and
		(3) exclude a particular entity in the scope of capital adequacy requirements that apply with respect to a <i>financial conglomerate</i> .
		Capital adequacy requirements: introduction
3.1.14	G	The capital adequacy provisions of GENPRU 3.1 are designed to be applied to <i>financial conglomerates</i> .
3.1.15	G	■ GENPRU 3.1.25 R is a high level capital adequacy <i>rule</i> . It applies whether or not the <i>FCA</i> is the <i>coordinator</i> of the <i>financial conglomerate</i> concerned.
3.1.16	G	■ GENPRU 3.1.29 R to ■ GENPRU 3.1.31 R and ■ GENPRU 3 Annex 1 apply the detailed capital adequacy requirements that correspond with the <i>Financial Groups Directive</i> . They only deal with a <i>financial conglomerate</i> for which the

		FCA is the coordinator. If another competent authority is coordinator of a financial conglomerate, those rules do not apply with respect to that financial conglomerate and instead that coordinator will be responsible for implementing those detailed requirements.		
3.1.17	G	Annex I of the <i>Financial Groups Directive</i> laid down three methods for calculating capital adequacy at the level of a <i>financial conglomerate</i> . Those three methods are as follows:		
		 (1) Method 1 calculates capital adequacy using accounting consolidation. It is set out in ■ GENPRU 3.1.29 R to ■ GENPRU 3.1.31 R and Part 1 of ■ GENPRU 3 Annex 1. 		
		 (2) Method 2 calculates capital adequacy using a deduction and aggregation approach. It is set out in ■ GENPRU 3.1.29 R to ■ GENPRU 3.1.31 R and Part 2 of ■ GENPRU 3 Annex 1. 		
		(3) [deleted]		
		(4) Method 3 consists of a combination of Methods 1 and 2 and would be implemented by means of a <i>requirement</i> .		
3.1.18	G	[deleted]		
3.1.19	G	Paragraph 5.7 of \blacksquare GENPRU 3 Annex 1 (Capital adequacy calculations for financial conglomerates) deals with a case in which there are no capital ties between entities in a <i>financial conglomerate</i> . In particular, the <i>FCA</i> , after consultation with the other <i>competent authority</i> and in accordance with this chapter, will determine which proportional share of a solvency deficit in such an entity will have to be taken into account, bearing in mind the liability to which the existing relationship gives rise.		
3.1.20	G	(1) [deleted]		
		(2) [deleted]		
3.1.21	G	The method to be applied may be decided by the coordinator after consultation with the other competent authority and the financial conglomerate itself. Where the FCA acts as coordinator, the financial conglomerate itself may choose which of Method 1 or Method 2 it will apply, unless the firm is subject to a requirement obliging the firm to apply a particular method.		
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Capital adequacy requirements: high level requirement 3.1.25 R (1) A firm that is a member of a financial conglomerate must at all times have capital resources of such an amount and type that results in the capital resources of the financial conglomerate taken as a whole being adequate. (2) This rule does not apply with respect to any financial conglomerate until notification has been made that it has been identified as a financial conglomerate as contemplated by regulation 2 of the Financial Groups Directive Regulations. R [deleted] 3.1.26 3.1.27 R [deleted] R 3.1.28 (1) [deleted] (2) [deleted] Capital adequacy requirements: application of Method 1 or 2 3.1.29 R If, with respect to a *firm* and a *financial conglomerate* of which it is a member, this *rule* applies under GENPRU 3.1.29A R to the *firm* with respect to that financial conglomerate as described in GENPRU 3.1.30 R, the firm must at all times have capital resources of an amount and type that ensures that the conglomerate capital resources of that financial conglomerate at all times equal or exceed its conglomerate capital resources requirement. 3.1.29A R GENPRU 3.1.29 R applies to a *firm* with respect to the *financial conglomerate* of which it is a member if notification has been made in accordance with regulation 2 of the Financial Groups Directive Regulations that the financial conglomerate is a financial conglomerate and that the FCA is coordinator of that financial conglomerate. Capital adequacy requirements: use of requirement to apply Method 1 or 2 for calculating capital adequacy 3.1.30 If GENPRU 3.1.29 R (application of Method 1 or 2) applies to a *firm* with R respect to the *financial conglomerate* of which it is a member, then with respect to the *firm* and the *financial* conglomerate: (1) the definitions of conglomerate capital resources and conglomerate capital resources requirement that apply for the purposes of that rule are the ones from whichever of Part 1 or Part 2 of GENPRU 3 Annex 1 the firm has indicated to the FCA it will apply, unless the firm is subject to a *requirement* obliging the *firm* to apply a specific part of ■ GENPRU 3 Annex 1, in which case ■ GENPRU 3.1.31 R will apply; and (2) the *firm* must indicate to the FCA in advance which Part of ■ GENPRU 3 Annex 1 the *firm* intends to apply.

3.1.31	R	If GENPRU 3.1.29 R (application of Method 1 or 2) applies to a <i>firm</i> with respect to a <i>financial conglomerate</i> of which it is a member, and the <i>firm</i> is subject to a <i>requirement</i> obliging the <i>firm</i> to apply a specific part of GENPRU 3 Annex 1, the definitions of <i>conglomerate capital resources</i> and <i>conglomerate capital resources requirement</i> that apply for the purposes of that <i>rule</i> are the ones from whichever of Part 1 or Part 2 of GENPRU 3 Annex 1 is specified in the <i>requirement</i> .
3.1.32	G	Risk concentration and intra-group transactions: introduction GENPRU 3.1.35 R implements requirements that correspond to Article 7(4)
5.1.32	0	and Article 8(4) of the Financial Groups Directive that where a financial conglomerate is headed by a mixed financial holding company, the sectoral rules regarding risk concentration and intra-group transactions of the most important financial sector in the financial conglomerate, if any, shall apply to that sector as a whole, including the mixed financial holding company.
3.1.33	G	The FCA may, on a case by case basis, require the application at the level of the financial conglomerate of the provisions of the sectoral rules on risk concentrations and intra-group transactions.
		[Note: Article 7(3), Article 8(3) and Annex II of the Financial Groups Directive]
		Risk concentration and intra-group transactions: application
3.1.34	R	■ GENPRU 3.1.35 R applies to a <i>firm</i> with respect to a <i>financial conglomerate</i> of which it is a member if the <i>financial conglomerate</i> is headed by a <i>mixed financial holding company</i> .
3.1.35	R	Risk concentration and intra group transactions: the main rule Subject to GENPRU 3.1.35AR , a <i>firm</i> must ensure that the sectoral rules regarding <i>risk concentration</i> and <i>intra-group transactions</i> of the <i>most</i> <i>important financial sector</i> in the <i>financial conglomerate</i> referred to in GENPRU 3.1.34 R are complied with with respect to that <i>financial sector</i> as a whole, including the <i>mixed financial holding company</i> . The sectoral rules for these purposes are those identified in the table in GENPRU 3.1.36 R .
3.1.35A	R	A mixed financial holding company must comply with the sectoral rules in the table in GENPRU 3.1.36R for the investment services sector where:
		the FCA is the coordinator of the financial conglomerate; and
		the banking and investment services sector is the most important financial sector.
		Risk concentration and intra-group transactions: Table of applicable sectoral rules
3.1.36	R	Table: application of sectoral rules
		This table belongs to GENPRU 3.1.35 R

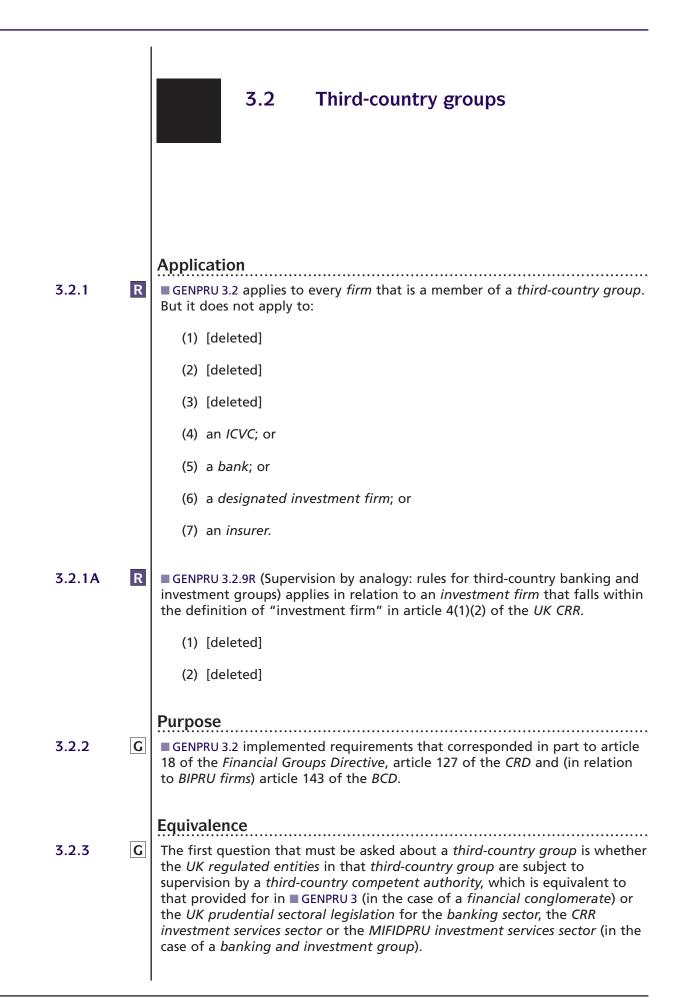
		The most important fin- ancial sector		ectoral rules
			Risk concentration	Intra-group transactions
		Banking and invest- ment services sector	Forart Four of the UK theRR Banking setor	The UK CRR and the PRA Rulebook
			FomiFIDPRU 5 the investment services sector	SYSC 12.1.12R
		Insurance sector	<i>PRA</i> Rulebook: Solv- ency II Firms Group Su- pervision 16.1	PRA Rulebook: Solv- ency II Firms: Groups: 16.2
		Note	Any <i>waiver</i> , approval or member of the <i>financial</i> dividual or consolidated respect of the <i>financial</i> of purposes of GENPRU 3.1.3 "permission" refers to a agreement conferred or <i>lator</i> as <i>competent auth</i>	<i>conglomerate</i> , on an in- basis, shall not apply in <i>conglomerate</i> for the 66 R. For this purpose, consent, approval or the <i>appropriate regu</i> -
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		The financial sectors alternative investment	: asset management c nt fund managers	ompanies and
3.1.39	R	or an <i>alternative i</i>	th the inclusion of an asset investment fund manager t erate in the scope of regula	hat is a member of a
		[Note: Articles 30	and 30a of the Financial G	roups Directive]
			nent company or an alterna overall financial sector and	
		(a) 🔳 GENPRU 3.1.2	9 R to 🔳 GENPRU 3.1.36 R;	
			nex 1 (Capital adequacy calo s) and ■ GENPRU 3 Annex 2 (os); and	
		(c) any other pro of <i>financial</i> co	vision of the Handbook rel onglomerates.	ating to the supervision

- (3) Save in the circumstances in (5), in the case of a financial conglomerate for which the FCA is the coordinator, all asset management companies and all alternative investment fund managers must, for the purposes in (2), be allocated to either the MIFIDPRU investment services sector or the insurance sector. But if that choice has not been made in accordance with (4) and notified to the FCA in accordance with (4)(d), an asset management company or an alternative investment fund manager must be allocated to the MIFIDPRU investment fund manager must be allocated to the MIFIDPRU investment services sector.
- (4) The choice in (3):
 - (a) must be made by the *undertaking* in the *financial conglomerate* that is:
 - (i) the parent undertaking at the head of the group or,
 - (ii) in the absence of a parent undertaking, the undertaking that is deemed to be the parent undertaking in accordance with the rules in ■ MIFIDPRU 2.4;
 - (b) applies to all asset management companies and all alternative investment fund managers that are members of the financial conglomerate from time to time;
 - (c) cannot be changed; and
 - (d) must be notified to the FCA as soon as reasonably practicable.

[Note: Article 4(2) of the Financial Groups Directive]

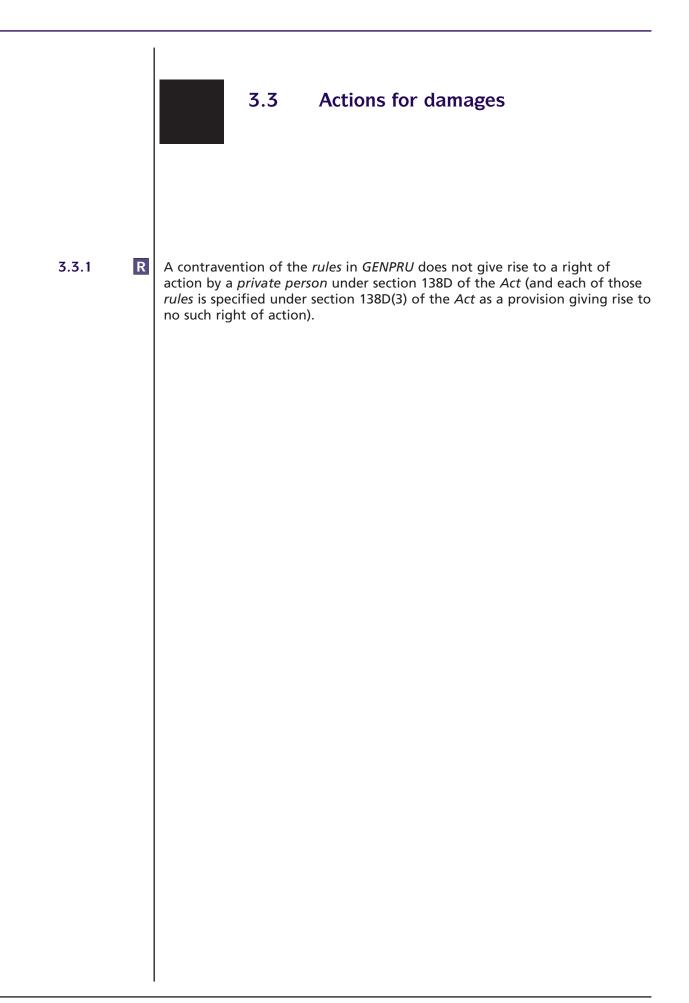
- (5) Where a UCITS management company or an asset management company is an investment firm it must be allocated to the MIFIDPRU investment services sector.
 - (a) [deleted]
 - (b) [deleted]

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3.2.4	G	Other methods: General If the supervision of a <i>third-country group</i> by a <i>third-country competent</i> <i>authority</i> does not meet the equivalence test referred to in GENPRU 3.2.3 G, the methods set out in <i>MIFIDPRU</i> or the <i>UK</i> provisions which implemented the <i>CRD</i> and <i>UK CRR</i> will apply. Alternatively, the <i>FCA</i> may apply other methods that ensure appropriate supervision of the <i>UK regulated entities</i> in that <i>third-country group</i> in accordance with the aims of supplementary supervision in GENPRU 3 or consolidated supervision under the applicable <i>UK prudential sectoral legislation</i> .
		Supervision by analogy: introduction
3.2.5	G	If the supervision of a <i>third-country group</i> by a <i>third-country competent</i> <i>authority</i> does not meet the equivalence test referred to in GENPRU 3.2.3 G, the FCA may, rather than take the measures described in GENPRU 3.2.4 G, apply, by analogy, the provisions concerning supplementary supervision in GENPRU 3 or, as applicable, consolidated supervision under the applicable UK prudential sectoral legislation, to the UK regulated entities in the banking sector, CRR investment services sector, MIFIDPRU investment services sector and (in the case of a financial conglomerate) insurance sector.
3.2.6	G	The FCA believes that it will only be right to adopt the option in GENPRU 3.2.5 G in response to very unusual group structures.
3.2.7	G	■ GENPRU 3.2.8 R and ■ GENPRU 3.2.9 R and ■ GENPRU 3 Annex 2 set out <i>rules</i> to deal with the situation covered in ■ GENPRU 3.2.5 G. Those <i>rules</i> do not apply automatically. Instead, they can only be applied with respect to a particular <i>third-country group</i> through the <i>Part 4A permission</i> of a <i>firm</i> in that <i>third-country group</i> .
3.2.8	R	Supervision by analogy: rules for third-country conglomerates If the <i>Part 4A permission</i> of a <i>firm</i> contains a <i>requirement</i> obliging it to comply with this <i>rule</i> with respect to a <i>third-country financial conglomerate</i> of which it is a member, it must comply, with respect to that <i>third-country</i> <i>financial conglomerate</i> , with the <i>rules</i> in Part 1 of GENPRU 3 Annex 2, as adjusted by Part 3 of that annex.
3.2.9	R	Supervision by analogy: rules for third-country banking and investment groups If the Part 4A permission of a firm contains a requirement obliging it to comply with this rule with respect to a third-country banking and investment group of which it is a member, it must comply, with respect to that third- country banking and investment group, with the rules in Part 2 of GENPRU 3 Annex 2, as adjusted by Part 3 of that annex.

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Capital adequacy calculations for financial conglomerates (GENPRU 3.1.29R)

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	Capital resources	1.1	The conglomerate capital resources of a financial conglomer- ate calculated in accordance with this Part are the capital of that financial conglomerate, calculated on an accounting con solidation basis, that qualifies under paragraph 1.2.	
		1.2	graph 1.1 are	of capital that qualify for the purposes of para- those that qualify in accordance with the <i>applic-</i> <i>rules</i> , in accordance with the following:
				the conglomerate capital resources requirement is divided up in accordance with the contribu- tion of each <i>financial sector</i> to it; and
				the portion of the conglomerate capital re- sources requirement attributable to a particular financial sector must be met by capital resources that are eligible in accordance with the applic- able sectoral rules for that financial sector.
	Capital resources re- quirement	1.3	conglomerate to the sum of for each finar	erate capital resources requirement of a financial e calculated in accordance with this Part is equal the capital adequacy and solvency requirements incial sector calculated in accordance with the ap- ral rules for that financial sector.
	Consolidation	1.4	whether or ne far as the def of that <i>rule</i>) r the <i>financial</i> of	ion required for the purpose of establishing ot a <i>firm</i> is complying with GENPRU 3.1.29 R (inso- initions in this Part are applied for the purpose must be based on the consolidated accounts of <i>conglomerate</i> , together with such other sources n as appropriate.
		1.5	are the applic	e sectoral rules that are applied under this Part cable sectoral consolidation rules. Other applic-rules must be applied if required.
2 Table: PART 2: Method 2 (Deduction a		2 (Deduction a	and aggregation	on Method)
	Capital resources	2.1	ate calculate sum of the fe	perate capital resources of a financial conglomer- d in accordance with this Part are equal to the ollowing amounts (so far as they qualify under 3) for each member of the overall financial
				person at the head of the financial conglomer- capital resources;

1 Table: PART 1: Method 1 (Accounting Consolidation Method)

(2) (for any other member):

(a) its solo capital resources; less

(b) the book value of the *financial conglomerate's* investment in that member, to the extent not already deducted in the calculation of the *solo capital resources* for:

(i) the *person* at the head of the *financial conglomerate*; or

		(ii) any other member.
	2.2	The deduction in paragraph 2.1(2) must be carried out separ- ately for each type of capital represented by the <i>financial</i> <i>conglomerate's</i> investment in the member concerned.
	2.3	The elements of capital that qualify for the purposes of para- graph 2.1 are those that qualify in accordance with the <i>ap- plicable sectoral rules</i> . In particular, the portion of the <i>con- glomerate capital resources requirement</i> attributable to a particular member of a <i>financial sector</i> must be met by cap- ital resources that would be eligible under the <i>sectoral rules</i> that apply to the calculation of its <i>solo capital resources</i> .
Capital resources re- quirement	2.4	The conglomerate capital resources requirement of a finan- cial conglomerate calculated in accordance with this Part is equal to the sum of the solo capital resources requirement for each member of the financial conglomerate that is in the overall financial sector.
Partial inclusion	2.5	The capital resources and capital resources requirements of a member of the <i>financial conglomerate</i> in the <i>overall financial sector</i> must be included proportionally. If however the member is a <i>subsidiary undertaking</i> and it has a <i>solvency deficit</i> , they must be included in full.
Accounts	2.6	The information required for the purpose of establishing whether or not a <i>firm</i> is complying with GENPRU 3.1.29 R (inso- far as the definitions in this Part are applied for the purpose of that <i>rule</i>) must be based on the individual accounts of members of the <i>financial conglomerate</i> , together with such other sources of information as appropriate.
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Types of financial con- glomerate	4.3	(1) This paragraph sets out how to determine the category of <i>financial conglomerate</i> .
		(2) If there is a <i>UK regulated entity</i> at the head of the <i>finan-cial conglomerate</i> , then:
		(a) if that entity is in the <i>banking sector</i> or the <i>investment services sector</i> , the <i>financial conglomerate</i> is a <i>banking and investment services conglomerate</i> ; or
		(b) if that entity is in the <i>insurance sector</i> , the <i>financial con-</i> <i>glomerate</i> is an <i>insurance conglomerate</i> .
		(3) If (2) does not apply and the most important financial sec- tor is the banking and investment services sector, it is a bank- ing and investment services conglomerate.
		(4) If (2) and (3) does not apply, it is an <i>insurance con-glomerate</i> .
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Annex 1

A mixed financial hold- ing company	4.4	A <i>mixed financial holding company</i> must be treated in the same way as:
		(1) a <i>financial holding company</i> (if Part One, Title II, Chapter 2 of the <i>UK CRR</i> and the <i>PRA</i> Rulebook : Groups Part) are applied;
		(2) an <i>insurance holding company</i> (if the <i>rules</i> in PRA Rule- book: Solvency II Firms: Group Supervision are applied); or
		(3) an <i>investment holding company</i> (if the <i>rules</i> in <i>MIFIDPRU</i> are applied).

8 Table: PART 5: Principles applicable to all methods

Transfer-ability of	5.1	Capital may not be included in
capital		(1) a <i>firm's conglomerate capital resources</i> under GENPRU 3.1.29 R
		if the effectiveness of the transferability and availability of the capital across the different members of the <i>financial con-</i> <i>glomerate</i> is insufficient, given the objectives of the capital adequacy rules for <i>financial conglomerates</i> .
		[Note: third unnumbered sub-paragraph of paragraph 2(ii) of Annex I of the <i>Financial Groups Directive</i> (Technical principles)]
Double counting	5.2	Capital must not be included ina <i>firm's conglomerate capital resources</i> under GENPRU 3.1.29 R
		if:
		(1) it would involve double counting or multiple use of the same capital; or
		(2) it results from any inappropriate intra-group creation of capital.
Cross sectoral capital	5.3	(1) The solvency requirements for each different <i>financial sec-</i> <i>tor</i> represented in a <i>financial conglomerate</i> required by GEN- PRU 3.1.29 R must be covered by own funds elements in ac- cordance with the corresponding <i>applicable sectoral rules</i> .
		(2) If there is a deficit of own funds at the <i>financial conglom-</i> <i>erate</i> level, only cross sectoral capital shall qualify for veri- fication of compliance with the additional solvency require- ment required by GENPRU 3.1.29 R.
		[Note: second sub-paragraph of paragraph 2(ii) of Section I of Annex I of the <i>Financial Groups Directive</i>]
Application of sectoral rules: General	5.4	The following adjustments apply to the <i>applicable sectoral rules</i> as they are applied by the <i>rules</i> in this annex.
		(1) [deleted]
		(2) If any of those <i>rules</i> would otherwise not apply to a situation in which they are applied by GENPRU 3 Annex 1, those <i>rules</i> nevertheless still apply (and in particular, any of those <i>rules</i> that would otherwise have the effect of disapplying consolidated supervision do not apply).
		(3) (If it would not otherwise have been included) an <i>ancil-lary insurance services undertaking</i> is included in the <i>insur-ance sector</i> .
		(4) The scope of those <i>rules</i> is amended so as to remove re- strictions relating to where members of the <i>financial con-</i> <i>glomerate</i> are incorporated or have their head office, so that the scope covers every member of the <i>financial con</i> -

		<i>glomerate</i> that would have been included in the scope of those <i>rules</i> if those members had their head offices in the <i>UK</i> .
		(5) (For the purposes of Parts 1 and 2) those <i>rules</i> must be adjusted, if necessary, when calculating the capital resources, capital resources requirements or solvency requirements for a particular <i>financial sector</i> to exclude those for a member of another <i>financial sector</i> .
		(6) Any <i>waiver</i> , approval or permission granted to a member of the <i>financial conglomerate</i> under those <i>rules</i> does not apply for the purposes of this annex.
Application of sectoral rules: Insurance sector	5.5	[deleted]
Application of sectoral rules: Banking sector and investment services sector	5.6	[deleted]
No capital ties	5.7	(1) This <i>rule</i> deals with a <i>financial conglomerate</i> in which some of the members are not linked by capital ties at the time of the notification referred to in GENPRU 3.1.29A R (Capital adequacy requirements: Application of Method 1 or 2).
		[deleted]
		[deleted]
		(4) If:
		[deleted]
		(b) GENPRU 3.1.29 R (Capital adequacy requirements: Applica- tion of Method 1 or 2) applies with respect to a <i>financial</i> <i>conglomerate</i> falling into (1);
		then:
		(c) the treatment of the links in (1) (including the treatment of any <i>solvency deficit</i>) is as provided for in whichever of Part 1 or Part 2 of GENPRU 3 Annex 1 the <i>firm</i> has, under GEN- PRU 3.1.30 R, indicated to the <i>FCA</i> it will apply or, if applic- able, in the <i>requirement</i> referred to in GENPRU 3.1.31 R; and
		(d) GENPRU 3.1.29 Rapplies even if the <i>applicable sectoral rules</i> do not deal with how <i>undertakings</i> not linked by capital ties are to be dealt with for the purposes of consolidated supervision .
		[deleted]
9 Table: PART 6: Definition	s used in this	Annex
Defining the financial	6.1	For the purposes of Parts 1 and 2 of this annex:
sectors		(1) an asset management company is allocated in accordance with GENPRU 3.1.39 R;an alternative investment fund manager is allocated in accordance with GENPRU 3.1.39 R; and
		(3) a <i>mixed financial holding company</i> must be treated as being a member of the <i>most important financial sector</i> .

Solo capital resources requirement: Banking sector and investment service sector
 (1) Save in the circumstances in paragraphs 6.6 to 6.7A, the solo capital resources requirement of an undertaking in the banking sector or the investment services sector must be calculated in accordance with the UK prudential requirements that apply to that undertaking on a solo basis.
 (2) [deleted]

Solo capital resources 6.3 requirement: application of rules

Solo capital resources 6.4 requirement: Insurance sector (7) [deleted] Any exemption that would otherwise apply under any *rules* applied by paragraph 6.2 do not apply for the purposes of this Annex.

(1) The solo capital resources requirement of an undertaking in the insurance sector must be calculated in accordance with this rule. The solo capital resources requirement of an undertaking in the insurance sector is:

(a) in respect of a UK Solvency II firm, the SCR;

(b) [deleted]

(3) [deleted](4) [deleted](5) [deleted](6) [deleted]

(c) in respect of a third country insurance undertaking or third country reinsurance undertaking to which the PRA Rulebook: Solvency II Firms: Group Supervision, 10.4(2) applies, the equivalent of the *SCR* as calculated in accordance with the applicable requirements in that *third country*; and

(d) in respect of any *undertaking* which is not within (a) to (c), the capital resources requirement calculated according to the rules for the calculation of the solo capital resources requirement applicable to that *undertaking* for the purposes of the calculation referred to in the PRA Rulebook: Solvency II Firms: Group Supervision and Chapter 1 of Title II of the delegated acts, or if no rules are applicable for that calculation under Group Supervision and Chapter 1 of Title II of the delegated acts, in accordance with the SCR Rules.

For the purpose of this Part as it applies in relation to GEN-PRU 3.1, the following expressions bear the same meaning as defined in the PRA Rulebook: Glossary:

- (i) "UK Solvency II firm";
- (ii) [deleted]
- (iii) "delegated acts";
- (iv) "third country insurance undertaking";
- (v) "third country reinsurance undertaking"; and
- (vi) "SCR Rules".
- [deleted]

Solo capital resources 6.5 requirement: EEA firms in the banking sector or investment services sector

Solo capital resources 6.6 requirement: non-UK firms subject to equivalent regimes in the banking sector or investment services sectors The solo capital resources requirement for a recognised third country credit institution or a recognised third country investment firm is the amount of capital resources that it is obliged to hold under the sectoral rules for its financial sector that apply to it in the state or territory in which it has its head office provided that:

(1) there is no reason for the *firm* applying the *rules* in this annex to believe that the use of those *sectoral rules* would produce a lower figure than would be produced under paragraph 6.2; and

		(2) paragraph 6.3 applies to the entity and those <i>sectoral rules</i> .
Solo capital reso requirement: mix ancial holding co	ked fin-	(1) The solo capital resources requirement of a mixed finan- cial holding company is a notional capital requirement. Sub- ject to (2), it is the capital adequacy requirement that ap- plies to regulated entities in the most important financial sector under the table in paragraph 6.10.
		(2) Where the banking and investment services sector is the most important financial sector, the capital adequacy requirement will be:
		(a) where there is a <i>UK credit institution</i> in the <i>financial con-glomerate</i> , the requirements in the table in paragraph 6.10 for the <i>banking sector</i> ; or
		(b) in all other cases, the requirements in the table in para- graph 6.10 for the <i>investment services sector</i> .
Solo capital reso requirement: oth non-regulated fi sector entities	ner	The solo capital resources requirement of a non-regulated financial sector entity other than a mixed financial holding company is a notional capital requirement calculated in accordance with Article 12 of Part 1 (FCA) of Regulation (EU) 342/2014.
Reference to "ru	les" 6.7B	A reference to " <i>rules</i> " in this annex includes any <i>onshored regulations</i> that are relevant to the purpose for which " <i>rules</i> " as used refers to.
10 Table		
Solo capital resou quirement: the in ance sector		References to capital requirements in the provisions of GEN- PRU 3 Annex 1 defining <i>solo capital resources requirement</i> must be interpreted in accordance with paragraph 5.4.
Applicable sector solidation rules	ral con- 6.9	The applicable sectoral consolidation rules for a financial sec- tor are the sectoral rules about capital adequacy and solv- ency on a consolidated basis that are applied in the table in paragraph 6.10.

11 Table: Paragraph 6.10: Application of sectoral consolidation rules

Financial sector		Sectoral rules
Banking sector		Part One, Title II, Chapter 2 of the <i>UK CRR</i> and the <i>PRA Rulebook</i> .
Insurance sector		PRA Rulebook: Solvency II Firms: Group Supervision.
Investment services sector		MIFIDPRU 2.4 and MIFIDPRU 2.5.
12 Table:		
Part 5	1	This Part 6 is subject to Part 5 of this Annex.

Prudential rules for third country groups (GENPRU 3.2.8R to GENPRU 3.2.9R)

1 Table: PART 1: Third-country financial conglomerates 1.1 This Part of this annex sets out the *rules* with which a *firm* must comply under GENPRU 3.2.8 R with respect to a *financial conglomerate* of which it is a member. 1.2 A firm must comply, with respect to the financial conglomerate referred to in paragraph 1.1, with GENPRU 3.1.29 R as applied under paragraph 1.3. 1.3 For the purposes of paragraph 1.2: (1)[deleted] the definitions of conglomerate capital resources and conglomerate cap-(2) ital resources requirement that apply for the purposes of that rule are the ones from whichever of Part 1 or Part 2 of GENPRU 3 Annex 1 is specified in the requirement referred to in GENPRU 3.2.8 R; and (3) the rules so applied (including those in GENPRU 3 Annex 1) are adjusted in accordance with paragraph 3.1. 1.4 If the condition in Articles 7(4) and 8(4) of the Financial Groups Directive is satisfied (the financial conglomerate is headed by a mixed financial holding company) with respect to the financial conglomerate referred to in paragraph 1.1 the firm must also comply with GENPRU 3.1.35 R (as adjusted in accordance with paragraph 3.1) with respect to that financial conglomerate. 1.5 A firm must comply with the following with respect to the financial conglomerate referred to in paragraph 1.1: SYSC 12 (as it applies to financial conglomerates and as adjusted under (1)paragraph 3.1); and (2) GENPRU 3.1.25 R. 2 Table: PART 2: Third-country banking and investment groups 2.1 This Part of this annex sets out the rules with which a *firm* must comply under GENPRU 3.2.9 R with respect to a third-country banking and investment group of which it is a member. 2.2 A firm must comply with one of the sets of rules specified in paragraph 2.3 as adjusted under paragraph 3.1 with respect to the third-country banking and investment group referred to in paragraph 2.1. 2.3 The rules referred to in paragraph 2.2 are : (1) the applicable sectoral consolidation rules in paragraph 6.10 of GEN-PRU 3 Annex 1. 2.4 The set of *rules* from paragraph 2.3 that apply with respect to a particular third-country banking and investment group (as referred to in paragraph 2.1) are those that would apply if they were adjusted in accordance with paragraph 3.1.

2.5	The <i>sectoral rules</i> applied by Part 2 of this annex cover all prudential <i>rules</i> applying on a consolidated basis including those relating to large exposures and concentration risk (as applicable).		
2.6	A <i>firm</i> must comply with SYSC 12 (as it applies to <i>banking and investment groups</i> and as adjusted under paragraph 3.1) with respect to the <i>third-country banking and investment group</i> referred to in paragraph 2.1.		
3 Table: PART 3: Adju	stment of scope		
3.1	The adjustments that must be carried out under this paragraph are that the scope of the <i>rules</i> referred in Part 1 or Part 2 of this annex, as the case may be, are amended:		
	 so as to remove any provisions disapplying those rules for third-country groups; so as to remove all limitations relating to where a member of the third-country group is incorporated or has its head office; and so that the scope covers every member of the third-country group that would have been included in the scope of those rules if those members had their head offices in, and were incorporated in, the UK. 		
4Table: PART 4: Defin	ition used in this Annex		
4.1	This Part sets out the definition which a <i>firm</i> must apply for the purposes of this annex as it applies in relation to GENPRU 3.2.		

4.2 A reference to "*rules*" in this annex includes any *onshored regulations* that are relevant to the purpose for which "*rules*" as used refers to.

Guidance Notes for Classification of Groups

Classification of Groups (GENPRU 3.1.3 G) - This annex consists only of one or more forms. Forms are to be found through the following address. [*Editor's note*: The form can be found at this address: https://fca.org.uk/publication/forms/genpru/GENPRU_3_Ann_3G_20220128.pdf

Purpose and scope

The form is designed to identify groups and sub-groups that are likely to be financial conglomerates under \blacksquare GENPRU 3. A group may be a financial conglomerate if it contains both insurance and banking/ investment businesses and meets certain threshold tests. The *FCA* needs to identify conglomerates with their head offices in the *UK* and those with their head offices outside the *UK*, although this does not necessarily mean that the latter will be subject to *UK* conglomerate supervision.

This form's purpose is to enable the FCA to obtain sufficient information so as to be able to determine how likely a group/sub-group is to be a financial conglomerate. In certain cases this can only be determined after consultation with the PRA. A second purpose of the form is therefore to identify any groups and sub-groups that may need such consultation so that this can be made as soon as possible. This should allow firms time to prepare to comply.

The third purpose of the form is to gain information from firms on the most efficient way to implement the threshold calculations in detail. We have, therefore, asked for some additional information in part 4 of the form.

A copy of this form can be found on the FCA's Financial Groups Website with current contact details.

Please include workings showing the method employed to determine the percentages in part 2 (for the threshold conditions) and giving details of all important assumptions / approximations made in doing the calculations.

The definition of financial conglomerate includes not only conventional groups made up of parentsubsidiary relationships but groups linked by control and "consolidation Article 12(1) relationships". If this is the case for your group, please submit along with this form a statement that this is the case. Please include in that statement an explanation of how you have included group members not linked by capital ties in the questionnaire calculations.

A consolidation Article 12(1) relationship arises between undertakings in the circumstances set out in Article 12(1) of the Seventh Company Law Directive. These are set out in the Handbook Glossary (in the definition of consolidation Article 12(1) relationship). Broadly speaking, undertakings come within this definition if they do not form a conventional group but:

- (a) are managed on a unified basis; or
- (b) have common management.

General guidance

We would like this to be completed based on the most senior parent in the group, and, if applicable, for the company heading the most senior conglomerate group in the *UK*. If appropriate, please also attach a list of all other likely conglomerate sub-groups.

Please use the most recent accounts for the top level company in the group together with the corresponding accounts for all subsidiaries and participations that are included in the consolidated accounts. Please indicate the names of any significant subsidiaries with a different year-end from the group's year-end.

Please note the following:

(a) (a) Branches should be included as part of the parent entity.

- (b) (b) Include in the calculations overseas entities owned by the relevant group or sub-group.
- (c) (c) There are only two sectors for this purpose: banking/investment and insurance.
- (d) (d) You will need to assign non-regulated financial entities to one of these sectors:
- banking/investment activities are listed in Annex 1 to the Capital Requirements Directive 2013/36/ EU
- **insurance** activities are listed in schedule 1 to, and *contracts of insurance* defined in article 3(1) of, the *Regulated Activities Order*.
- Any operator of a UCITS scheme, insurance intermediary, mortgage broker and mixed financial holding company does not fall into the directive definitions of either financial sector or insurance sector and should be treated for these purposes as being outside the financial sector. They should therefore be ignored for the purposes of these calculations.

Threshold tests

For the purpose of completing section 2 of the form relating to the threshold tests, the following guidance should be used. However, if you consider that for your group there is a more appropriate calculation then you may use this calculation so long as the method of computation is submitted with the form.

Calculating balance sheet totals

Generally, use total (gross) assets for the balance sheet total of a group/entity. However, investments in other entities that are part of the group will need to be deducted from the sector that has made the investment and the balance sheet total of the entity is added to the sector in which it operates.

Our expectation of how this may be achieved efficiently is as follows:

- (i) Off-balance-sheet items should be excluded.
- (ii) Where off-balance sheet treatment of **funds under management** and on-balance sheet treatment of **policy holders' funds** may distort the threshold calculation, groups should consult the *FCA* on the appropriateness of using other measures under regulation 19 of the Financial Conglomerates and Other Financial Groups Regulations 2004.
- (iii) If consolidated accounts exist for a sub-group consisting of financial entities from only one of the two sectors, these consolidated accounts should be used to measure the balance-sheet total of the sub-group (i.e. total assets less investments in entities in the other sector). If consolidated accounts do not exist, intra-group balances should be netted out when calculating the balance sheet total of a single sector (but cross-sector intra-group balances should not be netted out).
- (iv) Where consolidated accounts are used, minority interests should be excluded and goodwill should be included.
- (v) Where accounting standards differ between entities, groups should consult the FCA if they believe this is likely materially to affect the threshold calculation.
- (vi) Where there is a subsidiary or participation in the opposite sector from its parent (i.e. insurance sector for a banking/investment firm parent and vice versa), the balance sheet amount of the subsidiary or participation should be allocated to its sector using its individual accounts.
- (vii) The balance-sheet total of the parent entity/sub-group is measured as total assets of the parent/sub-group less the book value of its subsidiaries or participations in the other sector (i.e. the value of the subsidiary or participation in the parent's consolidated accounts is deducted from the parent's consolidated assets).
- (viii) The cross-sector subsidiaries or participations referred to above, valued according to their own accounts, are allocated pro-rata, according to the aggregated share owned by the parent/sub-group, to their own sector.
- (ix) If the cross-sector entities above themselves own group entities in the first sector (i.e. that of the top parent/sub-group) these should (in accordance with the methods above) be excluded from the second sector and added to the first sector using individual accounts.

Solvency (capital adequacy) requirements

Generally, the solvency requirements should be according to sectoral rules that would apply to the type of entity. However, you can use local rules in the circumstances set out in Part 6 of GENPRU 3 Annex 1. But if this choice makes a significant difference,

either with respect to whether the group is a financial conglomerate or with respect to which sector is the biggest, you should consult with the *FCA*. Non-regulated financial entities should have proxy requirements calculated on the basis of the most appropriate sector. If sub-groups submit single sector consolidated returns then the solvency requirement may be taken from those returns.

Our expectation of how this may be achieved efficiently is as follows:

- (i) If you complete a solvency return for a sub-group consisting of financial entities from only one of the financial sectors, the total solvency requirement for the sub-group should be used.
- (ii) Solvency requirements taken must include any deductions from available capital so as to allow the appropriate aggregation of requirements.
- (iii) Where there is a regulated subsidiary or participation in another sector from its parent/sub-group, the solvency requirement of the subsidiary or participation should be from its individual regulatory return. If there is an identifiable contribution to the parent's solvency requirement in respect of the cross-sector subsidiary or participation, the parent's solvency requirement may be adjusted to exclude this.
- (iv) Where there is an unregulated financial undertaking in another sector from its parent/sub-group, the solvency requirement of the subsidiary or participation should be one of the following:
- (a) as if the entity were regulated under the appropriate sectoral rules; or
- (b) (c) using local requirements* for the appropriate sector(where permissible).
 Please note on the form which of these options you have used, according to the country and sector, and whether this is the same treatment as in your latest overall group solvency calculation.
- (v) For banking/investment requirements, use the total amount of capital required.
- (vi) For insurance requirements, use the total amount of capital required.

Market share measures

The aim is to identify any standard industry approaches to measuring market share by sector, or any data sources which are commonly used as a proxy.

Article I.

Article II. Threshold tests

Test F2

B/S of banking/investment + insurance sector = result %

B/S total

Test F3/F4/F5

B/S of insurance sector

B/S of banking/investment sector + insurance sector = A%

B/S of banking/investment sector

B/S of banking/investment sector + insurance sector = B%

Solvency requirement of insurance sector

Solvency requirement of banking/investment sector +insurance sector = C%

Solvency requirement of banking/investment sector

Solvency requirement of banking/investment sector +insurance sector = D%

The relevant percentage for the insurance sector is:

(A% + C%)/2 = I %

The relevant percentage for the banking/investment sector is:

(B% + D%)/2 = BI %

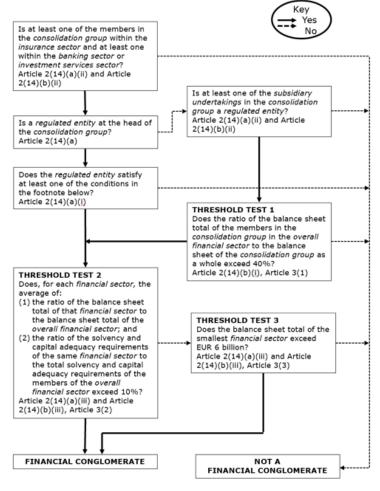
The smallest sector is the sector with the smallest relevant percentage.

Article III. If I% < BI% then F3 is insurance, F4 = A%, and F5 = C%

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Article IV. If BI% < I% then F3 is banking/investment, F4 = B% and F5 = D%

(see GENPRU 3.1.5R)



Footnote: the conditions are that the UK regulated entity at the head of the consolidation group: is a parent undertaking of a member of the consolidation group in the overall financial sector, has a participation in a member of the consolidation group that is in the overall financial sector, or has a consolidation Article 12(1) relationship with a member of the consolidation group that is in the overall financial sector.