

# 2013 ANTI-MONEY LAUNDERING AND FINANCIAL CRIMES CONFERENCE

WORKSHOP 3: SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY PRIMER: MONITORING AND FOLLOW-UP, INQUIRIES, INVESTIGATIONS AND SAR REPORTING

### **Presenters**

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# **Panel Topics**

Surveillance, Monitoring & Follow-up Investigations Reporting



# Surveillance, Monitoring & Follow-up



#### Surveillance vs. Referrals

- Regulatory expectations for robust rules-based surveillance system
  - Tune rules regularly
  - Document rationale for making changes
  - Verify that all businesses/products/transactions are included. If excluded, justify why.
  - Alert resolution needs to be properly documented
- Internal referrals can be equally/more effective
  - Centralized reporting/escalation process (e.g., hotlines, web-based tool, key contacts)
  - Training employees



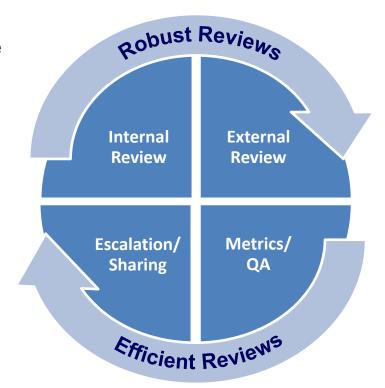
### **Investigations**

#### 1 Ensuring complete and standardized reviews

- Both centralized and local functions require enhanced global synergies
- Required investigative steps
- Sharing concerns globally as permissible
- Supervisory review/approval

#### 2 Division of Labor

- Assigning responsibilities with a risk-based approach
- Maintaining focus and encouraging a learning environment
- Internal and external training
- Leveraging divisional representation





### **Investigations**

#### 3 Investigative protocols to mitigate risk

Higher risk, greater oversight

Terminating and/or restricting accounts; follow-up

Enhanced oversight of client/activity profiles

Escalate to Senior Compliance and Business

#### 4 Tracking metrics

- Quality assurance reviews
- Internal escalations
- Subpoena reviews
- Surveillance alerts
- SAR/STR reporting





### Reporting

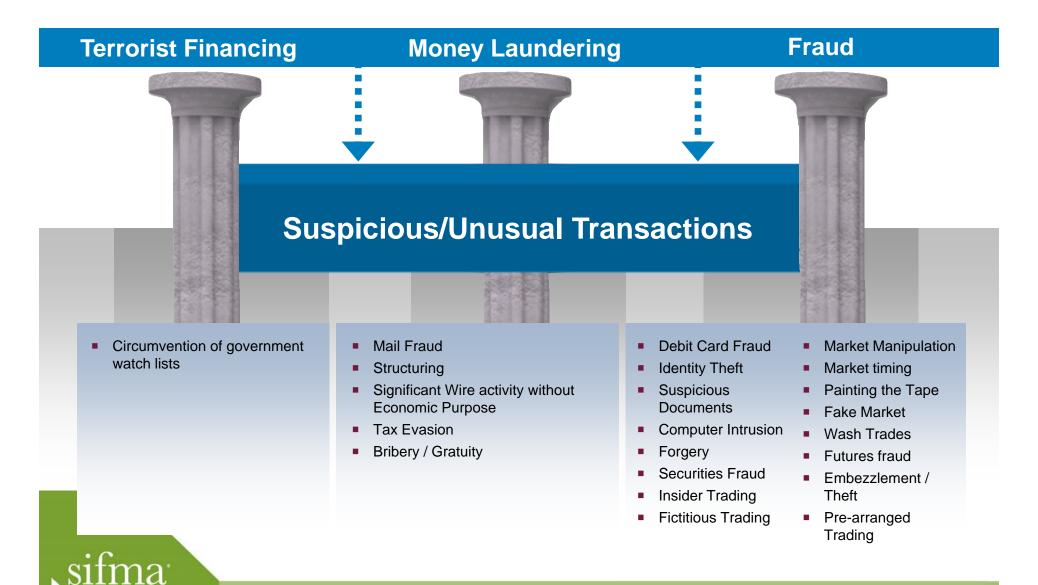
### Global vs. US Requirements

- In country MLROs are key to global AML compliance
- Coordinate SAR filings in multiple jurisdictions where required
- Sensitivity to secrecy jurisdictions more complicated
- Regulatory requirements/expectations differ among jurisdictions and are continuously changing

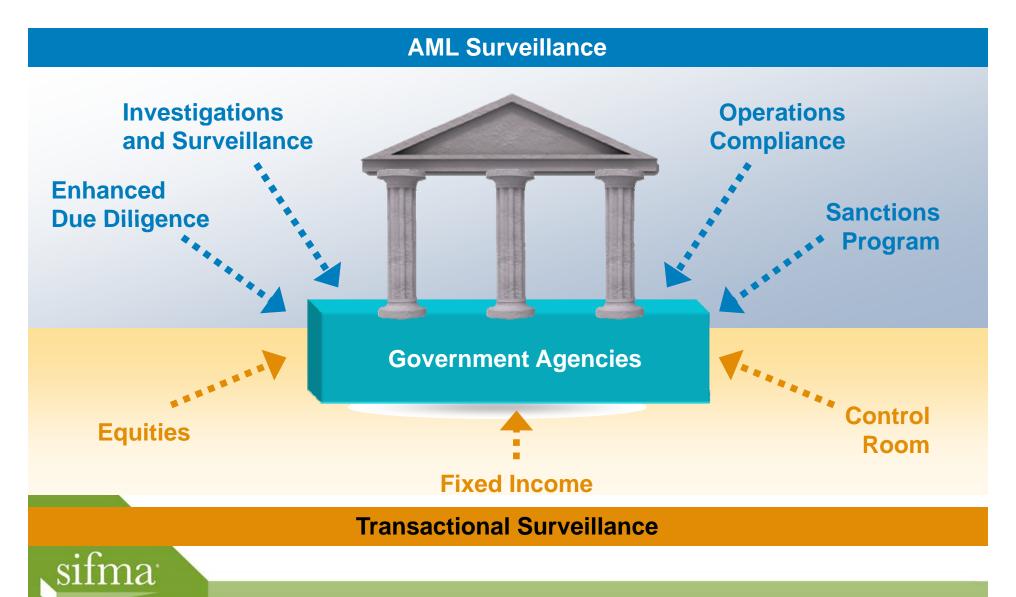




### **Reportable Events**



# **Suspicious Activity Reporting and Escalations**



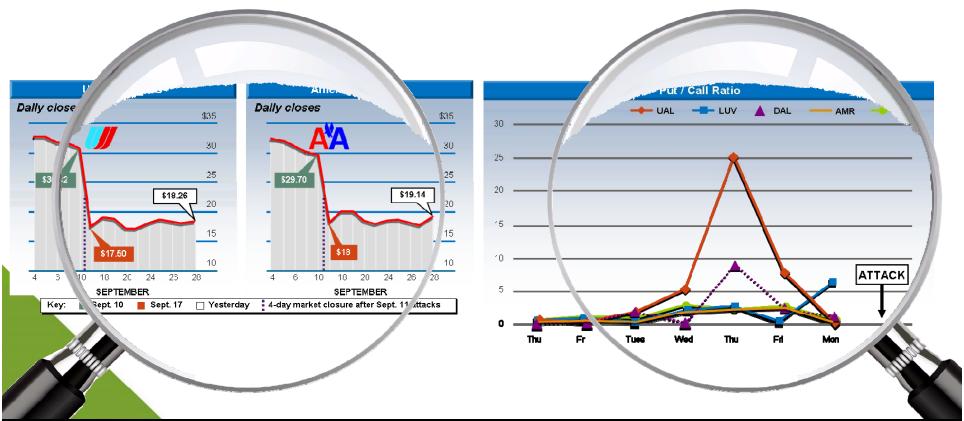
# Are you looking at your activity from multiple lenses?

#### **Profiting from a loss**

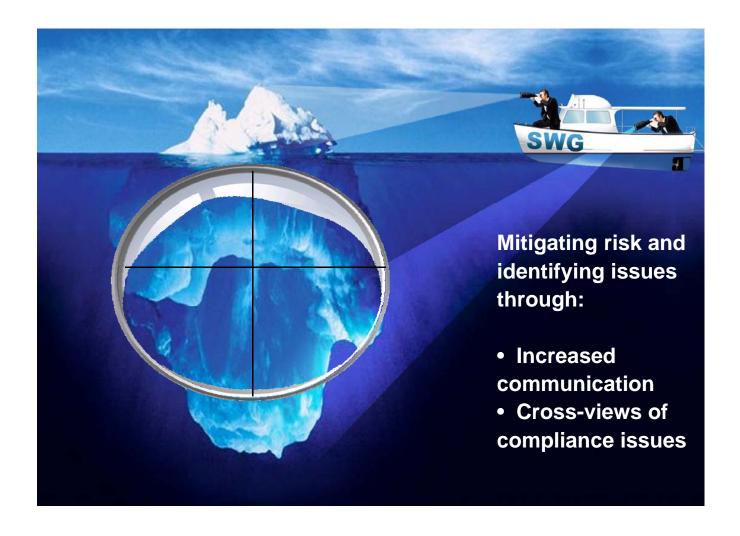
The stocks of United and American airlines fell sharply following the September 11 terrorist attacks, which used hijacked jets from the two airlines. But unknown investors made a bundle using a financial derivative that increases in value when a stock goes down.

#### **United Airlines and American Airlines**

This graph shows a dramatic spike in pre-attack purchases of put options on the airlines used in the attack



# **Cross Compliance View – Increased Communication**





### **New SAR form**

#### One form to rule them all

No more SAR-SF, SAR-DI, etc.

What is the law enforcement/regulatory/audit expectation?



# **After Filing**

#### You've filed your SAR, what do you do next?

Close the account?

**Previous SARS?** 

How many is too many?

How big is Account?

Does it matter?

**Should it matter?** 

Who Decides?

AML?

**Business?** 

Committee?

**Communicate?** 

Law Enforcement?

Regulators?

Other Parts of the Firm?

Remember SAR sharing/confidentiality rules

**Front Line?** 

"Don't do that"

**Conclusion?** 

Weak System?

Weak Employee?

**Weak Program?** 



#### **Questions and Answers**

# **Current Topics**

Elder Financial Exploitation

**Sanctions Exploitation** 

