To all ICWAI Members and Passed Finalists

A New 'fast track' route to CIMA Membership

You will be aware, either through your own ICWAI website or through the Indian media, that ICWAI and CIMA recently signed an historic MoU enabling our Members and Passed Finalists new attractive routes into each others' qualifications.

In the case of the route to CIMA we have created a special 'CIMA Professional Gateway Assessment' (CPGA) which in turn, on successful completion, enables direct entry into CIMA's strategic level examinations.

In order to enable ICWAI Members and Passed Finalists to take the earliest opportunity to sit this Assessment in May 2009 we are introducing the follow special processes at CIMA:

1. Those wishing to take up this opportunity should register as a student for CIMA, through the cimaglobal.com website no later than Monday 23rd March 2009;

2. If you are an exisiting CIMA student and would like to take up this opportunity please follow steps 3 and 4 below.

3. Thereafter, please send an e-mail no later than the 23rd March 2009 to CIMA, at cpga@cimaglobal.com, noting your CIMA ID, yourICWAI ID and which exam venue you hope to sit the examination. The examination will take place on 20th May 2009 and the following venues (with exam centre reference number) are currently available in India:

Bangalore - 526 Ahmedabad - 521 Chennai - 655 Hyderabad - 596 Kolkata - 545 Mumbai - 535 New Delhi - 560 Pune - 707 Should demand be high we will consider holding the CPGA in other Indian centres. For future exams we plan to offer exam centres in a wider number of countries, but for the May 09 exam we have restricted this to exam centres in India only.

4. The examination fee (a special rate of UK Pound (GBP) 40 applies) should be paid no later than 23rd March 2009

Yours sincerely Robert G Jelly Director of Education CIMA