

ACI Worldwide to Power Fraud Protection for Kuwait's National Payments Switch

ACI to provide real-time risk analysis to reduce payments fraud for KNET's member banks and their millions of customers

NAPLES, FL -- (Marketwired) -- 01/04/17 -- <u>ACI Worldwide</u> (NASDAQ: ACIW), a leading global provider of <u>real-time</u> <u>electronic payment and banking solutions</u>, today announced that The Shared Electronic Banking Services Company (KNET) in Kuwait has expanded its relationship with the company and will leverage its payments risk management solution to power <u>fraud protection</u> for its member banks.

KNET, which is owned by all 11 banks in Kuwait and operates the Kuwaiti country-wide national payments switch, will utilize ACI's market-leading ACI Proactive Risk Manager to monitor its customers' banking activity in real-time -- including acquiring channels, ATM, point of sale and eCommerce transactions, as well as domestic and international transactions across the network. Additionally, ACI will deliver ongoing <u>fraud prevention</u> consultancy for KNET.

"A critical priority for the KNET member banks across Kuwait is to provide an advanced fraud prevention solution that leverages real-time technology to protect our clients and the millions of customers they serve," said Abdulla Al-Ajmi, CEO, KNET. "With the implementation of ACI Proactive Risk Manager, we are confident that we will be able to significantly enhance our current <u>fraud monitoring</u> capabilities and deliver an improved customer experience."

"KNET's selection of Proactive Risk Manager highlights the need for sophisticated integration of fraud services to protect customers across all payment types in a consistent fashion," said Andreas Suma, vice president, Global Fraud and Data, ACI Worldwide. "As fraud and payments are increasingly interwoven, the interoperability between ACI's PRM fraud engine and our market-leading BASE24-eps payment engine provides universal protection for all payments in a unique multi-channel, real-time environment."

Proactive Risk Manager is part of ACI's <u>UP Payments Risk Management</u> solution, and leverages <u>ACI's UP Framework</u>, a set of technologies that orchestrates all aspects of <u>payment processing</u> for any payment type, any channel, any currency and any network.

About ACI Worldwide

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