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**HKFE CLEARING CORPORATION LIMITED**

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## 通告 CIRCULAR

Subject: Risk Management Arrangements in respect of the Easter Holidays – Reminder

Enquiry: 2211-6901

Reference is made to the circular dated 1 April 2019 (Reference No.: [CD/CDCRM/056/2019](#)) regarding the risk management arrangements in respect of the forth-coming Easter Holidays. Participants are kindly reminded to take note of the following:

- The margin levels of Hang Seng Index (“HSI”), Mini-Hang Seng Index (“MHI”), Hang Seng China Enterprises Index (“HHI”), Mini-Hang Seng China Enterprises Index (“MCH”), USD/CNH (“CUS”) and CNH/USD (“UCN”) futures contracts will be increased temporarily<sup>1</sup> after the close of business of T session on **17 April 2019** as follows:

		<u>Client Margin</u>		<u>Clearing House</u>
		<u>Initial</u> <u>(HK\$)</u>	<u>Maintenance</u> <u>(HK\$)</u>	<u>Margin</u> <u>(HK\$)</u>
HSI	Current Level	116,109 per lot	92,887 per lot	87,300 per lot
	Temporarily Increased Level	<b>119,035 per lot</b>	<b>95,228 per lot</b>	<b>89,500 per lot</b>
MHI	Current Level	23,221 per lot	18,576 per lot	17,460 per lot
	Temporarily Increased Level	<b>23,807 per lot</b>	<b>19,045 per lot</b>	<b>17,900 per lot</b>
HHI	Current Level	45,951 per lot	36,760 per lot	34,550 per lot
	Temporarily Increased Level	<b>46,350 per lot</b>	<b>37,080 per lot</b>	<b>34,850 per lot</b>
MCH	Current Level	9,190 per lot	7,352 per lot	6,910 per lot
	Temporarily Increased Level	<b>9,270 per lot</b>	<b>7,416 per lot</b>	<b>6,970 per lot</b>

<sup>1</sup> The spread margin rates will remain unchanged during this period.

		<u>Client Margin</u>		<u>Clearing House Margin</u>
		<u>Initial</u>	<u>Maintenance</u>	
		<u>(RMB)</u>	<u>(RMB)</u>	<u>(RMB)</u>
CUS	Current Level	11,012 per lot	8,809 per lot	8,280 per lot
	Temporarily Increased Level	<b>13,220 per lot</b>	<b>10,576 per lot</b>	<b>9,940 per lot</b>
		<u>(USD)</u>	<u>(USD)</u>	<u>(USD)</u>
UCN	Current Level	755 per lot	604 per lot	568 per lot
	Temporarily Increased Level	<b>920 per lot</b>	<b>736 per lot</b>	<b>692 per lot</b>

The margin levels of HSI, MHI, HHI, MCH, CUS and UCN futures contracts will be restored to the current levels after the close of business on **18 April 2019**.

**The margin levels of HSCEI Dividend Point Index (“DHH”) futures contracts will remain unchanged.** For avoidance of doubt, the current margin level of DHH is restated below:

		<u>Client Margin</u>		<u>Clearing House Margin</u>
		<u>Initial</u>	<u>Maintenance</u>	
		<u>(HK\$)</u>	<u>(HK\$)</u>	<u>(HK\$)</u>
DHH	Current Level	2,300 per lot	1,840 per lot	1,730 per lot

- Mandatory intra-day variation adjustments on Clearing Participants in HSI, MHI, HHI, MCH, DHH, CUS and UCN markets will be made at around 3:00 p.m. on **18 April 2019**.

To assist Participants in better assessing the potential margin impacts, the Clearing House has made available a simulated Risk Parameter File (“Simulated RPF”) on the HKEX website for Participants’ margin estimation purpose. This Simulated RPF is prepared based on the settlement prices of 10 April 2019 and the temporarily increased margin levels. Participants may make use of the simulated RPF to estimate the clearing house margin requirements under the temporarily increased margin levels for their portfolios as well as the estimated funding requirements thereof. Participants should note that the simulated RPF is for reference only and does not intend to replace any daily RPF which are available at the end of each business day for the calculation of the actual day-end margin requirements.

For the purpose of the Capital-Based Position Limit (CBPL) assessment and the necessary additional margin calculation on the trading day prior to the holiday period, the normal margin rates instead of the temporarily increased holiday margin rates will be applied. In this regard, the Clearing House will disseminate the tailor-made risk parameter file carrying the normal margin rates (“Normal Margin RPF”) via its website after the close of business on 17 April 2019 to assist participants in monitoring their CBPL.

The “Simulated RPF” and the “Normal Margin RPF” as mentioned above can be downloaded from the HKEX website with the hyperlink stated below:

[http://www.hkex.com.hk/-/media/HKEX-Market/Services/Clearing/Listed-Derivatives/Risk-Management/Reports-and-Data-Download/Simulated-RPF-for-Holiday-Margin/holidayrpf\\_apr19.zip](http://www.hkex.com.hk/-/media/HKEX-Market/Services/Clearing/Listed-Derivatives/Risk-Management/Reports-and-Data-Download/Simulated-RPF-for-Holiday-Margin/holidayrpf_apr19.zip)

Please ensure that your staffs are fully aware of both the temporary increase in the margin levels and the mandatory intra-day variation adjustments and make necessary arrangement with your designated bank. You are also strongly advised to give advanced notice to your clients regarding these arrangements where appropriate and ensure adequate margin deposits from your clients are maintained during the holiday period.

The Clearing House considers it appropriate to remind you the importance of having proper arrangement in place before and after the holiday period as those days are normal settlement days. In case of any key staffs on vacation before and after the holiday period, please ensure that your backup staffs are familiar with the operational and monitoring procedures to adequately monitor your exposure and fulfill the payment obligations to the Clearing House on time. Any failure in meeting the settlement timelines is an event of default under HKCC Rule 509. Please refer to the circular issued on 4 February 2019 (Reference No.: [CD/CDCRM/027/2019](#)) for more details on the payment obligations of the Participant and the consequence of the delay or failure in meeting the obligations.

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