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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 31 March 2020 (Reference No.: [CD/CDCRM/075/2020](#)) 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”), MSCI Asia ex Japan Net Total Return Index (“MXJ”), 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 **8 April 2020** as follows:

		<u>Client Margin</u>		<u>Clearing House Margin</u>
		<u>Initial</u>	<u>Maintenance</u>	
		<u>(HK\$)</u>	<u>(HK\$)</u>	<u>(HK\$)</u>
HSI	Current Level	154,546 per lot	123,636 per lot	116,200 per lot
	Temporarily Increased Level	<b>176,890 per lot</b>	<b>141,512 per lot</b>	<b>133,000 per lot</b>
MHI	Current Level	30,909 per lot	24,727 per lot	23,240 per lot
	Temporarily Increased Level	<b>35,378 per lot</b>	<b>28,302 per lot</b>	<b>26,600 per lot</b>
HHI	Current Level	61,712 per lot	49,369 per lot	46,400 per lot
	Temporarily Increased Level	<b>73,482 per lot</b>	<b>58,785 per lot</b>	<b>55,250 per lot</b>
MCH	Current Level	12,342 per lot	9,873 per lot	9,280 per lot
	Temporarily Increased Level	<b>14,696 per lot</b>	<b>11,756 per lot</b>	<b>11,050 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	14,018 per lot	11,214 per lot	10,540 per lot
	Temporarily Increased Level	<b>15,986 per lot</b>	<b>12,788 per lot</b>	<b>12,020 per lot</b>
		<u>(USD)</u>	<u>(USD)</u>	<u>(USD)</u>
UCN	Current Level	933 per lot	746 per lot	702 per lot
	Temporarily Increased Level	<b>1,067 per lot</b>	<b>853 per lot</b>	<b>803 per lot</b>
MXJ	Current Level	6,224 per lot	4,979 per lot	4,680 per lot
	Temporarily Increased Level	<b>6,689 per lot</b>	<b>5,351 per lot</b>	<b>5,030 per lot</b>

The margin levels of HSI, MHI, HHI, MCH, MXJ, CUS and UCN futures contracts will be restored to the current levels after the close of business on **9 April 2020**.

**The margin levels of HSCEI Dividend Point Index (“DHH”) futures contract 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	1,901 per lot	1,520 per lot	1,430 per lot

- Mandatory intra-day variation adjustments on Clearing Participants in HSI, MHI, HHI, MCH, MXJ, DHH, CUS and UCN markets will be made at around 3:00 p.m. on **9 April 2020**.

A simulated Risk Parameter File (RPF) with temporarily increased margin levels to assist Participants for margin estimation will be provided upon request by email to [RMinquiry@hkex.com.hk](mailto:RMinquiry@hkex.com.hk).

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 8 April 2020 to assist participants in monitoring their CBPL.

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\\_apr20.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_apr20.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 7 February 2020 (Reference: [CD/CDCRM/035/2020](#)) 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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