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HONG KONG SECURITIES CLEARING COMPANY LIMITED

(A wholly-owned subsidiary of Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited)

通告 CIRCULAR

Subject: Proposed Voluntary Cessation of Trading and Voluntary Delisting

- Hang Seng Index ETF

(HKD Counter Stock Code: 02833 / RMB Counter Stock Code: 82833)

(the "Sub-Fund")

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Exchange and CCASS Participants are requested to note that Hang Seng Investment Management Limited (the "Manager") has issued an Announcement and Notice on HKEXnews.hk

(https://www1.hkexnews.hk/listedco/listconews/sehk/2022/0613/2022061300616.pdf) concerning the proposed voluntary cessation of trading and voluntary delisting, proposed amendments to the Trust Deed, proposed adoption of Ancillary Investment Strategy and other matters (the "Announcement and Notice").

Capitalized terms used herein shall have the same meanings set out in the Announcement and Notice unless the context otherwise requires.

According to the Announcement and Notice, the Last Trading Day of the Units in the Sub-Fund on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "SEHK") will be 2 September 2022, after which the Sub-Fund will no longer be traded on the SEHK. The expected Delisting Day of the Sub-Fund will be on 13 September 2022.

Upon Delisting of the Sub-Fund, the Sub-Fund will no longer be recognized as the eligible securities in Central Clearing and Settlement System ("CCASS") by Hong Kong Securities Clearing Company Limited ("HKSCC").

Exchange and CCASS Participants should inform and liaise with their clients as soon as possible to take any appropriate action(s). Potential course of action(s) to be taken by investors are briefly mentioned below.



<u>Potential actions to be taken by investors on or before the Last Trading Day (i.e. from</u> now up to and including 2 September 2022)

On any trading day up to and including the Last Trading Day, an investor may continue to buy or sell his/her Units in the Sub-Fund on the SEHK in accordance with the usual trading arrangements, during the trading hours of the SEHK and based on the prevailing market prices. At least one Market Maker of the Sub-Fund for each of the HKD counter and RMB counter will continue to perform their market making functions in accordance with the Rules of the Exchange in respect of the Sub-Fund. These Exchange Trades will be cleared inside CCASS and automatically settled on a Continuous Net Settlement (CNS) basis as usual unless they are isolated from the CNS System by the counterparty Exchange Participants at the time of trade or isolated from the CNS System by HKSCC, in which case such trades will be settled on a trade-for-trade (TFT) basis.

Potential courses of actions to be taken by investors on or before the Application Deadline (i.e. from 14 July 2022 to and including 7 September 2022)

According to the Announcement and Notice, investors may pursue Unlisted Fund Route or Conversion Route on or before the Application Deadline. For details on (i) the Unlisted Fund Route or Conversion Route, (ii) implications of failure in pursuing any of these two routes or taking no action before the Application Deadline, please refer to the Announcement and Notice.

For the avoidance of doubt, the Unlisted Fund Route and the Conversion Route are subject to the approval by the Unitholders of the Extraordinary Resolution at the Meeting.

Exchange/CCASS Participants are urged to:

- forward a copy of the Announcement and Notice to their clients holding Units in the Sub-Fund, and inform them of the contents of the Announcement and Notice as soon as possible;
- facilitate their clients who want to dispose of the Units in the Sub-Fund on or before the Last Trading Day;
- consolidate the transfer instructions received from their clients who indicated their intention to pursue the Unlisted Fund Route and forward them to HKSCC by the Application Deadline:
- consolidate the conversion instructions received from their clients who indicated their intention to pursue the Conversion Route and forward them to HKSCC by the Application Deadline;



- assist their clients who intend to transfer the Units in the Sub-Fund to directly open an
 investment fund account with Hang Seng Bank as soon as practicable for the retention
 or disposal of their Units after the Delisting Day; and
- inform their clients as soon as possible of any earlier dealing deadline and/or response deadline, additional fees or charges, and/or other terms and conditions will be applicable in respect of the provision of their services in connection with the above.

If you have any queries in relation to the contents of the Announcement and Notice, please direct them to your stockbrokers or financial intermediaries or contact the Manager at (852) 2198 5890 during office hours, or visiting the Manager's website www.hangsenginvestment.com.

Trading in the ETF(s) may not be suitable for all members of the public. Exchange Participants should advise their clients to carefully consider whether trading in the ETF(s) is/are appropriate for them in light of their understanding of the product nature and characteristics, their own investment objectives, skills and experience, financial resources, risk tolerance and other relevant circumstances prior to making any decision.

Further information such as the prospectus and other documents issued by the manager is available on the
HKEXnews website">HKEXnews website and on the
ETP webpage">ETP webpage

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