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通告 CIRCULAR

Subject: Expansion of Eligible ETFs under Stock Connect Enquiry: Hotline: 2979 71231 / E-mail: clg@hkex.com.hk

With reference to the <u>news release</u> issued today on the expansion of eligible Exchange Traded Funds (ETFs) under Stock Connect (the Expansion), the eligibility criteria for ETFs under Stock Connect will be updated subject to regulatory approval. For details of the newly proposed eligibility criteria, please refer to the Exchange circular (Ref: <u>CT/042/24</u>) issued today on the Expansion.

China Connect Clearing Participants are requested to note that there is no system change for the Expansion. The existing arrangements, including but not limited to trading arrangements, settlement arrangements, daily quota, investor eligibility and CCASS stock code mapping mechanism continue to apply. Notwithstanding the foregoing, China Connect Clearing Participants are requested to assess if any system or operational changes are required at their end to prepare for the Expansion.

Please note that the details of the Expansion including the eligibility criteria are subject to regulatory approval. It is expected that the preparation work will take approximately 3 months to complete. The official launch will be announced in due course.

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