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Unless otherwise indicated, all terms and references used herein shall bear the same meanings ascribed to them in the offer information statement dated 27 January 2021 issued in connection with the Rights Issue (the "Offer Information Statement").

Further to the announcement dated 19 February 2021 in relation to the results of the renounceable and non-underwritten rights issue (the "Rights Issue") of 791,062,223 new units (the "Rights Units") in First Real Estate Investment Trust ("First REIT"), First REIT Management Limited, in its capacity as manager of First REIT (the "Manager"), wishes to announce that approximately S\$140.1 million (which is equivalent to 88.6% of the gross proceeds of the Rights Issue) has been used to repay part of the 2018 Secured Loan Facilities and approximately S\$7.1 million (which is equivalent to 4.5% of the gross proceeds of the Rights Issue) has been used for the payment of professional fees incurred by First REIT in connection with the loan refinancing exercise. The use of the gross proceeds of the Rights Issue is in accordance with the stated use and the percentage of the gross proceeds of the Rights Issue allocated to such use.

The Manager will make further announcements on the utilisation of the remaining proceeds from the Rights Issue as and when such funds are materially disbursed.

By Order of the Board

Tan Kok Mian Victor
Executive Director and Chief Executive Officer
First REIT Management Limited
(Company registration no. 200607070D)
As Manager of First Real Estate Investment Trust

1 March 2021

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