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A Singapore unit trust with the following sub-fund authorised under Section 286 of the Securities and Futures Act, Chapter 289 of Singapore

iShares MSCI India Index ETF (Stock Codes: I98 and QK9)

(the "Fund")

Announcement – Reclassification of Fund as Excluded Investment Product ("EIP")

We, BlackRock (Singapore) Limited, the manager of the Fund (the "**Manager**"), would like to announce that the Fund will be reclassified as an EIP with effect from 29 May 2015.

Previously, the Notice on the Sale of Investment Products (SFA04-N12) (the "**Notice**") issued by the Monetary Authority of Singapore ("**MAS**") required all collective investment schemes ("**CISs**") which use derivatives to be classified as Specified Investment Products ("**SIPs**"). SIPs can only be sold to retail investors with enhanced safeguards, including an assessment of the investors' investment knowledge or experience, whereas EIPs can be sold to retail investors without such assessment.

Due to recent changes made to the Notice, CISs (including exchange traded funds like the Fund) which make use of derivatives for certain limited purposes may now be classified as EIPs. In view of this, we have taken the opportunity to reclassify the Fund from a SIP to an EIP, so that going forward retail investors will be able to invest in the Fund in a similar manner as they do with shares listed on the Singapore Exchange. A replacement prospectus for the Fund setting out the relevant EIP classification details has been lodged with the MAS.

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BlackRock (Singapore) Limited as Manager of the Funds

Singapore, 28 May 2015