



ARA US HOSPITALITY TRUST

A stapled group comprising:

ARA US HOSPITALITY PROPERTY TRUST
(a real estate investment trust constituted on 24 September 2018 under the laws of the Republic of Singapore) managed by
ARA Trust Management (USH) Pte. Ltd.

ARA US HOSPITALITY MANAGEMENT TRUST
(a business trust constituted on 29 October 2018 under the laws of the Republic of Singapore) managed by
ARA Business Trust Management (USH) Pte. Ltd.

DBS Bank Ltd. ("**DBS**") was the Sole Issue Manager for the initial public offering of ARA US Hospitality Trust (the "**Offering**") (the "**Sole Issue Manager**"). DBS, Oversea-Chinese Banking Corporation Limited and United Overseas Bank Limited were the Joint Financial Advisers and Joint Global Coordinators for the Offering (collectively, the "**Joint Financial Advisers and Joint Global Coordinators**"). DBS, Oversea-Chinese Banking Corporation Limited, United Overseas Bank Limited and Credit Suisse (Singapore) Limited were the Joint Bookrunners and Underwriters for the Offering (collectively, the "**Joint Bookrunners and Underwriters**").

TRANSFER OF WHOLLY-OWNED SUBSIDIARY OF ARA BUSINESS TRUST MANAGEMENT (USH) PTE. LTD.

ARA Trust Management (USH) Pte. Ltd., as manager of ARA US Hospitality Property Trust ("**ARA H-REIT**"), and ARA Business Trust Management (USH) Pte. Ltd. ("**ARABTM**"), as trustee-manager of ARA US Hospitality Management Trust ("**ARA H-BT**"), wish to announce that ARABTM has today, transferred its interest in 100% of the entire issued share capital of ARA US Hospitality Management, Inc. (the "**ARA Hotel Manager**"), to ARA US Investments, Inc., an indirect, wholly-owned subsidiary of ARA Asset Management Limited (the "**Transfer**"). Immediately prior to the Transfer, ARABTM held the entire issued share capital of the ARA Hotel Manager in its personal capacity and not in its capacity as trustee-manager of ARA H-BT.

Pursuant to the hotel management agreements entered into between certain subsidiaries of ARA H-BT ("**OpCos**") and the ARA Hotel Manager (the "**ARA Hotel Management Agreements**"), the ARA Hotel Manager had been appointed by the OpCos to operate and manage the hotel operations of ARA US Hospitality Trust's portfolio comprising 41 hotels located in the United States ("**Portfolio**"). The ARA Hotel Manager had in turn appointed third-party hotel operators in the United States, and is responsible for supervising the performance of any third-party hotel operators which it sub-contracts with for the management of the hotels.

The Transfer is not expected to have any impact on the hotel management arrangements of ARA H-BT or on the operations of the Portfolio. Further, the Transfer is not expected to result in any changes to arrangements with the third-party hotel operators currently managing the hotels in the Portfolio. Following the Transfer, ARABTM (in its capacity as trustee-manager of ARA H-BT) will, through the OpCos, continue to be able to enforce the ARA Hotel Management Agreements against the ARA Hotel Manager, as the OpCos are indirect, wholly-owned subsidiaries of ARA H-BT.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD
ARA TRUST MANAGEMENT (USH) PTE. LTD.
(As manager of ARA US Hospitality Property Trust)
(Company registration no. 201829676W)

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD
ARA BUSINESS TRUST MANAGEMENT (USH) PTE. LTD.
(As trustee-manager of ARA US Hospitality Management Trust)
(Company registration no. 201829682G)

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About ARA US Hospitality Trust

Listed on the Singapore Exchange on 9 May 2019, ARA US Hospitality Trust is a hospitality stapled group comprising ARA US Hospitality Property Trust (“**ARA H-REIT**”) and ARA US Hospitality Management Trust (“**ARA H-BT**”). ARA US Hospitality Trust invests in income-producing real estate assets used primarily for hospitality purposes located in the United States. ARA US Hospitality Trust’s portfolio currently comprises 41 select-service hotels with a total of 5,340 rooms across 22 states in the United States.

ARA US Hospitality Trust is managed by ARA Trust Management (USH) Pte. Ltd. and ARA Business Trust Management (USH) Pte. Ltd., (collectively known as the “**Managers**”). The Managers are indirect wholly-owned subsidiaries of ARA Asset Management Limited.

For more information, please visit www.araushotels.com.

About the Sponsor

The Sponsor, ARA Real Estate Investors 23 Pte. Ltd., is an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of ARA Asset Management Limited.

ARA Asset Management Limited (ARA or the Group) is a leading APAC real assets fund manager with a global reach. With S\$88 billion¹ in gross assets under management as at 31 December 2019, ARA manages listed and unlisted real estate investment trusts (REITs), private real estate credit and equity funds, and infrastructure funds in 28 countries. As part of its investor-operator philosophy, ARA also operates a real estate management services division with local teams to manage its assets worldwide.

ARA’s multi-platform, multi-product global fund management strategy, combined with its dedicated teams with in-depth local knowledge and expertise, enables the Group to offer enduring value to investors. Built on a foundation of strong corporate governance and business integrity, ARA counts some of the world’s largest pension funds, sovereign wealth funds, financial institutions, endowments and family offices as its investors.

For more information, please visit www.ara-group.com.

¹ Includes assets under management by ARA Asset Management Limited and the Group of companies (“ARA Group”) and its Associates as at 31 December 2019

IMPORTANT NOTICE

The value of the stapled securities in ARA US Hospitality Trust ("**Stapled Securities**") (where each Stapled Security comprises 1 unit in ARA H-REIT stapled to 1 unit in ARA H-BT), and the income derived from them may fall as well as rise. Stapled Securities are not obligations of, deposits in, or guaranteed by, the Managers, DBS Trustee Limited, in its capacity as trustee of ARA H-REIT, or any of their respective affiliates.

An investment in the Stapled Securities is subject to investment risks, including the possible loss of the principal amount invested. Stapled securityholders of ARA US Hospitality Trust ("**Stapled Securityholders**") have no right to request that the Managers redeem or purchase their Stapled Securities while the Stapled Securities are listed. It is intended that Stapled Securityholders may only deal in their Stapled Securities through trading on Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited (the "**SGX-ST**"). Listing of the Stapled Securities on the SGX-ST does not guarantee a liquid market for the Stapled Securities.

This announcement may contain forward-looking statements that involve assumptions, risks and uncertainties. Actual future performance, outcomes and results may differ materially from those expressed in forward-looking statements as a result of a number of risks, uncertainties and assumptions. Predictions, projections or forecasts of the economy or economic trends of the markets are not necessarily indicative of the future or likely performance of ARA US Hospitality Trust. The forecast financial performance of ARA US Hospitality Trust is not guaranteed. A potential investor is cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements, which are based on the Managers' current view of future events.