IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT – GROUND RULE UPDATE TO THE INDEX FOR NIKKOAM-STRAITSTRADING ASIA EX JAPAN REIT ETF (THE "ETF")

We, Nikko Asset Management Asia Limited (the "**Manager**"), are the manager of the ETF.

We hereby announce and notify holders of units of the ETF that there was an update to the index methodology of the FTSE EPRA Nareit Asia ex Japan REITS 10% Capped Index (the "**Index**"), the Index for the ETF.

The Index for the ETF is part of the FTSE EPRA Nareit Global Real Estate Index Series ("**Index Series**").

With effect from 24 June 2021, the ground rules for the Index Series has been updated to reflect, amongst others, the following changes:-

- Eligibility criteria edits – (i) the sector universe has been expanded to include companies (closed end investments) if the majority of revenue is derived from real estate activities and (ii) revenue must be reported in such a way that revenue from ineligible activities can be excluded.
- Additions of non-constituent securities to the Index Series - developed markets Asia stocks investable market capitalisation threshold changed from 0.30% to 0.10%.
- Deletions of existing constituent securities from the Index Series - developed markets Asia stocks investable market capitalisation threshold changed from 0.15% to 0.05%.
- Edits to fast entry level.

More information on the updates to the ground rules for the Index Series can be found at http://www.ftse.com/products/indices/epra-nareit.

Capitalised terms used in this Announcement which are not defined shall have the meanings attributed to them in the prospectus for the ETF.

Please be assured that no action needs to be taken on your part and your unitholdings in the ETF remain unaffected by the updates above.

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