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## NOTICE OF JOINT SPECIAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS

## FOR RELEASE TO ALL FUNDS LISTED BELOW

BlackRock Investment Management (Australia) Limited, on behalf of iShares, Inc. and iShares Trust, makes this announcement regarding the below detailed iShares exchange traded funds listed on the ASX.

ASX Code	Issuer	Fund
IAA	iShares Trust	iShares Asia 50 ETF
IZZ	iShares Trust	iShares China Large-Cap ETF
IEU	iShares Trust	iShares Europe ETF
100	iShares Trust	iShares Global 100 ETF
IXI	iShares Trust	iShares Global Consumer Staples ETF
IXJ	iShares Trust	iShares Global Healthcare ETF
IXP	iShares Trust	iShares Global Telecom ETF
IVE	iShares Trust	iShares MSCI EAFE ETF
IRU	iShares Trust	iShares Russell 2000 ETF
IVV	iShares Trust	iShares S&P 500 ETF
IJH	iShares Trust	iShares S&P Mid-Cap ETF
IJR	iShares Trust	iShares S&P Small-Cap ETF
IBK	iShares, Inc.	iShares MSCI BRIC ETF
IEM	iShares, Inc.	iShares MSCI Emerging Markets ETF
IHK	iShares, Inc.	iShares MSCI Hong Kong ETF
IJP	iShares, Inc.	iShares MSCI Japan ETF
ISG	iShares, Inc.	iShares MSCI Singapore Capped ETF
IKO	iShares, Inc.	iShares MSCI South Korea Capped ETF
ITW	iShares, Inc.	iShares MSCI Taiwan Capped ETF

A joint special meeting (the **Meeting**) of the shareholders of each series of iShares, Inc., iShares Trust and iShares U.S. ETF Trust (each an **iShares Company**) will be held at the offices of BlackRock Fund Advisors, 400 Howard Street, San Francisco, CA 94105, on 19 June 2017, at 11:00 a.m. (United States Pacific time). The purpose of the Meeting is to seek shareholder approval of the five nominees named in a joint proxy statement (the **Board Nominees**) to the Board of Directors or Trustees (each, a **Board**, the members of which are referred to as **Board Members**) of each iShares Company.



The aforementioned classes of shares of iShares, Inc. and iShares Trust, each an iShares ETF (**US iShares ETF**), have been listed on the ASX via Chess Depositary Interests (**CDI**s). Holders of a CDI over a US iShares ETF have the right to participate in the shareholder vote as if they are a direct holder and legal owner of the US iShares ETF.

Holders of a CDI over a US iShares ETF as of 2 May 2017 (the **Record Date**) will be entitled to participate in the vote and will shortly be sent further information on how to submit their vote, including a CDI voting instruction form.

Eligible voters will be required to complete the CDI voting instruction form, in order to instruct CHESS Depositary Nominees Pty Ltd how to vote on their behalf. All votes relating to CDIs over a US iShares ETF must be received by 9:00 a.m. (Australian Eastern Standard Time) on Wednesday 14 June 2017 in order to be effective. CHESS Depositary Nominees Pty Ltd will vote all votes relating to CDIs in the same manner for each US iShares ETF, based on the majority of all CDI votes received.

Each Board unanimously recommends that those eligible to vote, or submit voting instructions, vote "FOR" the election of each of the Board Nominees, being.

- Jane D. Carlin
- Drew E. Lawton
- Mark Wiedman
- Richard L. Fagnani
- Madhav V. Rajan

Further details of the Meeting and the Board Nominees is contained in a joint proxy statement which is available upon request.

If you have any queries in respect of this matter **please contact** Computershare Investor Services Pty Limited on 1300 474 273 (within Australia) or +61 3 9415 4695 (outside Australia).

## **IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

Before investing in an iShares ETF, you should carefully consider whether such products are appropriate for you, read the applicable prospectus or product disclosure statement (PDS) available at www.blackrock.com.au and consult an investment adviser.

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