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## INDICATIVE 2016 FUND DISTRIBUTIONS CALENDAR

FOR RELEASE TO ALL FUNDS LISTED BELOW

ASX has granted each of iShares, Inc. and iShares Trust (the "Companies") a waiver from certain ASX Settlement Operating Rules in respect of anticipated distributions for each of the funds of the Companies quoted on ASX ("the Funds"), listed in the table below.

ASX Code	Issuer	Fund
IRU	iShares Trust	iShares Russell 2000 ETF
IJH	iShares Trust	iShares Core S&P Mid-Cap ETF
IJR	iShares Trust	iShares Core S&P Small-Cap ETF
IVV	iShares Trust	iShares Core S&P 500 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 Trust	iShares MSCI Japan ETF
IKO	iShares, Inc.	iShares MSCI South Korea Capped ETF
ISG	iShares, Inc.	iShares MSCI Singapore ETF
ITW	iShares, Inc.	iShares MSCI Taiwan ETF
IVE	iShares Trust	iShares MSCI EAFE ETF
IAA	iShares Trust	iShares Asia 50 ETF
IEU	iShares Trust	iShares Europe ETF
IOO	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
IZZ	iShares Trust	iShares China Large-Cap ETF

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The waivers were granted in anticipation of future distributions which may be declared by the Companies as per the attached indicative distributions calendar and CDI issuance/cancellation deferral schedule.

The waivers permit each of the Companies to defer processing of CDI conversions between the principal register in the US and the CDI register in Australia, on certain days during the anticipated distribution periods (see details in the attached calendar), so to prevent these registers suffering any misalignment due to time zone and holiday differences.

Until such time as either of the Companies announces a Fund distribution, all dates in the attached calendar remain indicative and are subject to change.

For the avoidance of doubt, deferring processing of CDI conversions will not affect trading in iShares funds quoted on ASX.

The waiver expires on 26 February 2017.

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There is no guarantee that any distributions will be declared in the future, or that if declared, the amount of any distributions will remain constant or increase at any time.

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# Australian Indicative Distributions Calendar for International (US Domiciled) iShares ETFs

Year: 2016



## QUARTERLY DISTRIBUTIONS

Code	Funds	Distributions calendar	First quarterly distribution	Second quarterly distribution	Third quarterly distribution	Fourth quarterly distribution	Potential additional distribution
IRU	iShares Russell 2000 ETF	Announcement Date - United States	22-Mar-16	05-Jul-16	23-Sep-16	21-Dec-16	27-Dec-16
		Announcement Date - in Australia	23-Mar-16	06-Jul-16	26-Sep-16	22-Dec-16	28-Dec-16
		Ex-Date	24-Mar-16	07-Jul-16	27-Sep-16	23-Dec-16	03-Jan-17
		Record Date	29-Mar-16	08-Jul-16	28-Sep-16	28-Dec-16	04-Jan-17
		Fx Date	19-Apr-16	29-Jul-16	19-Oct-16	19-Jan-17	25-Jan-17
		Payment Date	27-Apr-16	05-Aug-16	26-Oct-16	27-Jan-17	02-Feb-17
		Deferral of CDI issuance requests					
		iShares received by CTCNA in the US on this date(s)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	03-Jan-17
		Will be actioned by CTCNA in the US on this date	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	04-Jan-17
		Deferral of CDI cancellation requests					
		Requests received on this date(s) in Australia to be deferred	24-Mar-16 to 29-Mar-16	07-Jul-16 to 08-Jul-16	27-Sep-16 to 28-Sep-16	23-Dec-16 to 28-Dec-16	03-Jan-17 to 04-Jan-17
Deferred CDI cancellations to be actioned in Australia	30-Mar-16	11-Jul-16	29-Sep-16	29-Dec-16	05-Jan-17		

Code	Funds	Distributions calendar	First quarterly distribution	Second quarterly distribution	Third quarterly distribution	Fourth quarterly distribution	Potential additional distribution
IJH	iShares Core S&P Mid-Cap ETF	Announcement Date - United States	22-Mar-16	20-Jun-16	23-Sep-16	20-Dec-16	27-Dec-16
		Announcement Date - in Australia	23-Mar-16	21-Jun-16	26-Sep-16	21-Dec-16	28-Dec-16
		Ex-Date	24-Mar-16	22-Jun-16	27-Sep-16	22-Dec-16	30-Dec-16
		Record Date	29-Mar-16	23-Jun-16	28-Sep-16	23-Dec-16	03-Jan-17
		Fx Date	19-Apr-16	14-Jul-16	19-Oct-16	18-Jan-17	24-Jan-17
		Payment Date	27-Apr-16	21-Jul-16	26-Oct-16	25-Jan-17	01-Feb-17
		Deferral of CDI issuance requests					
		iShares received by CTCNA in the US on this date(s)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
		Will be actioned by CTCNA in the US on this date	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
		Deferral of CDI cancellation requests					
		Requests received on this date(s) in Australia	24-Mar-16 to 29-Mar-16	22-Jun-16 to 23-Jun-16	27-Sep-16 to 28-Sep-16	22-Dec-16 to 23-Dec-16	30-Dec-16 to 03-Jan-17
Will be actioned in Australia on this date	30-Mar-16	24-Jun-16	29-Sep-16	28-Dec-16	04-Jan-17		

## SEMI-ANNUAL DISTRIBUTIONS

Code	Funds	Distributions calendar	Semi-annual distribution	Year-end distribution	Potential additional distribution
IBK	iShares MSCI BRIC ETF	Announcement Date - United States	21-Jun-16	20-Dec-16	27-Dec-16
		Announcement Date - in Australia	22-Jun-16	21-Dec-16	28-Dec-16
		Ex-Date	23-Jun-16	22-Dec-16	30-Dec-16
		Record Date	24-Jun-16	23-Dec-16	03-Jan-17
		Fx Date	15-Jul-16	18-Jan-17	24-Jan-17
		Payment Date	22-Jul-16	25-Jan-17	01-Feb-17
		Deferral of CDI issuance requests			
		For iShares received by CTCNA in the US on this date(s)	N/A	N/A	N/A
		CDI issuances will be deferred in Australia on this date(s)	N/A	N/A	N/A
		Deferral of CDI cancellation requests			
		Requests received on this date(s) in Australia to be deferred	23-Jun-16 to 24-Jun-16	22-Dec-16 to 23-Dec-16	30-Dec-16 to 03-Jan-17
Deferred CDI cancellations to be actioned in Australia	27-Jun-16	28-Dec-16	04-Jan-17		

Code	Funds	Distributions calendar	Semi-annual distribution	Year-end distribution	Potential additional distribution
IAA	iShares Asia 50 ETF	Announcement Date - United States	20-Jun-16	21-Dec-16	27-Dec-16
		Announcement Date - in Australia	21-Jun-16	22-Dec-16	28-Dec-16
		Ex-Date	22-Jun-16	23-Dec-16	03-Jan-17
		Record Date	23-Jun-16	28-Dec-16	04-Jan-17
		Fx Date	14-Jul-16	19-Jan-17	25-Jan-17
		Payment Date	21-Jul-16	27-Jan-17	02-Feb-17
		Deferral of CDI issuance requests			
		iShares received by CTCNA in the US on this date(s)	N/A	N/A	N/A
		Will be actioned by CTCNA in the US on this date	N/A	N/A	N/A
		Deferral of CDI cancellation requests			
		Requests received on this date(s) in Australia to be deferred	22-Jun-16 to 23-Jun-16	23-Dec-16 to 28-Dec-16	03-Jan-17 to 04-Jan-17
Deferred CDI cancellations to be actioned in Australia	24-Jun-16	29-Dec-16	05-Jan-17		

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Code	Funds	Distributions calendar	Semi-annual distribution	Year-end distribution	Potential additional distribution
IKO	iShares MSCI South Korea Capped ETF	Announcement Date - United States		20-Dec-16	27-Dec-16
ITW	iShares MSCI Taiwan ETF	Announcement Date - in Australia		21-Dec-16	28-Dec-16
		Ex-Date		22-Dec-16	30-Dec-16
		Record Date		23-Dec-16	03-Jan-17
		Fx Date		18-Jan-17	24-Jan-17
		Payment Date		25-Jan-17	01-Feb-17
		Deferral of CDI issuance requests			
		For iShares received by CTCNA in the US on this date(s)		N/A	N/A
		CDI issuances will be deferred in Australia on this date(s)		N/A	N/A
		Deferral of CDI cancellation requests			
		Requests received on this date(s) in Australia to be deferred		22-Dec-16 to 23-Dec-16	30-Dec-16 to 03-Jan-17
		Deferred CDI cancellations to be actioned in Australia		28-Dec-16	04-Jan-17

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