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a sub-fund (the “Sub-Fund”)
of the World Index Shares ETFs (the “Fund”)
(a Hong Kong unit trust authorized under
section 104 of the Securities and Futures Ordinance
(Cap. 571 of the laws of the Hong Kong SAR))
(Stock Code: 03024)

**Announcement -
Severe Weather Trading Arrangements**

The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (“SEHK”) has announced that, from 23 September 2024, on any days (from Monday to Friday except a Hong Kong public holiday) on which severe weather conditions persist (i.e. Typhoon Signal No. 8 or above is hoisted, or Black Rainstorm Warning is issued by the Hong Kong Observatory, or a situation of “Extreme Conditions” is announced by the Hong Kong SAR Government), trading, clearing and settlement services and operations will continue in both the securities and derivatives markets in Hong Kong (“SWT Days”) and the SEHK will maintain normal operations to the furthest extent possible (the “SWT Arrangements”).

In view of the implementation of the SWT Arrangements, unless the Manager and the Trustee of the Sub-Fund otherwise determine, the Sub-Fund will generally be traded on the SEHK on SWT Days if the SEHK maintains normal operations.

The SEHK has announced the implementation of the SWT Arrangements from 23 September 2024.

In view of the implementation of the SWT Arrangements, the Manager and the Trustee (in exercising their discretion set out under the definition of “Business Day” in the Prospectus of the Sub-Fund) have agreed that starting from 23 September 2024, unless the Manager and the Trustee otherwise determine, a SWT Day during which the SEHK maintains normal operations will generally be regarded as Business Day. In such circumstances, the Manager and the Trustee will endeavor to take appropriate measures to support normal operations of the Sub-Fund as far as practicable and possible to facilitate the investments and other dealings in respect of the Sub-Fund in both the primary and the secondary markets.

Accordingly, unless the Manager and the Trustee otherwise determine, the Sub-Fund will generally be traded on the SEHK on SWT Days if the SEHK maintains normal operations.

Investors should note that the implementation of dealing of Units of the Sub-Fund will also depend on other factors, such as whether it is practicable and feasible for the Manager and Trustee to operate the Sub-Fund and provide normal services and the availability of the services and operational support of relevant service providers. These service providers are generally independent of the Manager and it cannot be guaranteed that their services will not be disrupted by severe weather events. Although system testing may have been performed and contingency plans may have been developed, there is still a possibility of extreme events (e.g. temporary power outages or the suspension of electronic money transfer channels) such that the Manager, the Trustee or any service providers of the Sub-Fund may not be able to operate or to operate at the usual level. Investors who wish to invest in the Sub-Fund will have to check with their brokers whether dealing is offered through them when severe weather conditions persist.

If the normal operation of the Sub-Fund is only maintained for part of the SWT Day, the dealings of Units will only be limited to such part of that day.

Terms not defined in this Announcement will have the meanings as are given to such terms in the Prospectus.

Investors who have any enquiries regarding the above may contact the Manager at 27th Floor, Bank of China Tower, 1 Garden Road, Central, Hong Kong or the Manager’s enquiry hotline at (852) 2280 8697.

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