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Notice regarding suspension of trading on the Tokyo Stock Exchange, market price, and reduction of the trust fee rates of NEXT FUNDS Russia RTS Linked Exchange Traded Fund (Code: 1324)

Nomura Asset Management Co., Ltd. hereby issues the following announcement in regards to suspension of trading on the Tokyo Stock Exchange, the market price and reduction of the trust fee rates of NEXT FUNDS Russia RTS Linked Exchange Traded Fund (Code: 1324) (hereinafter referred to as “this ETF”).

Suspension of trading on the TSE

The trading of this ETF on the Tokyo Stock Exchange will be suspended from 17 March. The resumption of trading on the Tokyo Stock Exchange has not yet been determined. Also, we have stopped accepting applications of creation and redemption for this ETF from February 24, 2022 due to difficulties in trading Russian stocks.

Even after trading on the Tokyo Stock Exchange is suspended, the NAV (net asset value per unit) of this ETF will be published on our NEXT FUNDS website.

Market price

The market price (closing price) and NAV of this ETF on the TSE today (16 March) were as follows.

NAV	Market price (closing price)
103.14 yen	88.6 yen

(as of March 16, 2022)

For stocks listed on the Moscow Exchange, trading has been suspended since 28 February (local time). Currently, due to the suspension of trading on the Moscow Exchange, there is no liquidity in the equity market and some time has passed since final trading. In evaluating the stocks listed on the Moscow Exchange for NAV calculation, we will continue to use the market value (in US dollars) as of 25 February (local time). Instead of referring to estimated values that take into account changes in the trading environment, we are continuing to assume that trading on the Moscow Exchange will resume in the future.

For this reason, when trading resumes on the Moscow Exchange, the NAV of this ETF may fall significantly. Whether the above NAV calculation will continue to be used in the

future will be a comprehensive decision based on the local situation and other information. Even if trading on the Moscow Exchange does not resume, the NAV may fall significantly if the valuation of stocks held in the trust assets is changed in accordance with Japan Investment Trusts Association's trust asset valuation rules. In addition, major stock market index providers have announced that they excluded Russia-related stocks from major global stock indexes and lowered the stock price used for index value calculation.

In the event that it is impossible to perform the adjusted trading of stocks included in the trust assets, the linkage between the NAV and the benchmark index value may deteriorate.

Reduction of the trust fee rates

Given the uncertainty regarding the acceptance of creation/redemption applications, the uncertainty surrounding the resumption of trading on the Tokyo Stock Exchange, and that it is not possible to sell stocks held in the trust assets, the trust fee rates of this ETF will be changed as follows from March 17, 2022 until the situation has improved.

Until March 16, 2022: 0.95%/year (tax exclusive)

Beginning March 17, 2022: 0.06%/year (tax exclusive)

*If conditions improve, such as creation and redemption applications being accepted again or trading on the Tokyo Stock Exchange resuming, we plan to change the trust fee rates to 0.95%/year (tax exclusive).

For further information on this ETF, please refer to our website.

<https://nextfunds.jp/en/lineup/1324/>

Information about PCF can be found at the Tokyo Stock Exchange website below.

<http://tse.factsetdigitalsolutions.com/iopv/table?language=en>

The value of each stock in the PCF is the market value used to calculate the net asset value per unit of this ETF on the previous business day.

For stocks listed on the Moscow Exchange, the market value (in US dollars) as of 25 February (local time) has been used, as trading has been suspended since 28 February (local time), while alternative investment issues such as depositary receipts (DRs) listed on exchanges other than the Moscow Exchange reflect the market value of the relevant

alternative investment issue.