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Notice regarding NEXT FUNDS Russia RTS Linked Exchange Traded Fund (Code: 1324) and Russian stock valuation

Nomura Asset Management Co., Ltd. hereby issues the following announcement in regards to the Russian stocks (including depositary receipts (DRs)) in which the NEXT FUNDS Russia RTS Linked Exchange Traded Fund (Code: 1324) (hereinafter referred to as “this ETF”) invests.

In accordance with the Japan Investment Trusts Association’s trust asset valuation rules, we have been using the most recent quotation available for Russian equities, based on the assumption that the stock market will resume trading. However, due to international sanctions in response to Russia’s invasion of Ukraine it is still difficult for non-residents to trade Russian assets; at this time there are no prospects of trading resuming. After considering the above and consulting the fund auditor, we have determined that it is appropriate to set the valuation price of the Russian stocks to zero as we cannot redeem them at this time.

This will be effective as of today, April 25th, for Russian equities included in this ETF. The net asset value per unit of this ETF today is 1.88 yen.

We may update the valuation again if there are any changes in the future, such as those regarding non-residents becoming able to trade Russian stocks, restored market liquidity, securities settlement, or foreign exchange transactions. We will issue another announcement if there are any changes to valuation.

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

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

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