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Further to the Announcement and Notice dated 16 November 2017 and titled "Announcement and Notice of the Proposed Cessation of Trading, Termination, Voluntary Deauthorisation and Delisting and Waiver from Strict Compliance with Certain Provisions of the Code" (i.e. the "First Announcement"), and the Interim Distribution Announcement dated 22 January 2018 (i.e. the "Interim Distribution Announcement"), this Announcement is to inform Relevant Investors of the extension of Final Distribution and postponement of the Termination Date of the CSOP CES China A80 ETF (the "Terminating Sub-Fund", a Sub-Fund as defined in the Prospectus).

As disclosed in section 2.3 of the First Announcement and section 3 of the Interim Distribution, if trading of any Suspended Stock has not resumed by 18 May 2018, the Manager will publish an announcement on such date to inform Relevant Investors of the extension of the period of Final Distribution and the postponement of the Termination Date.

As at 17 May 2018, the Terminating Sub-Fund held 2 Suspended Stocks, the value of which is approximately RMB 39,488 and accounted for 70.7% of the Terminating Sub-Fund's Net Asset Value as of 17 May 2018.

Therefore, the Manager would like to extend the period for Final Distribution and postpone the Termination Date to a day no later than 19 November 2018 (Monday) based on the prevailing market conditions. The Manager will publish an announcement on the Termination Date about the termination, deauthorisation and delisting of the Terminating Sub-Fund. If trading of any Suspended Stock has not resumed by 19 November 2018, the Manager will further publish an announcement on such date to inform Unitholders of the further extension of the period of Final Distribution and the postponement of the Termination Date.

When all Suspended Stocks resume trading and are disposed, Final Distribution will be made to Relevant Investors. The Manager will issue an announcement at least one business day before the Final Distribution Date to provide updates on the disposal of Suspended Stocks and Final Distribution.

The Manager will also update investors by further announcements as and when appropriate in accordance with the applicable regulatory requirements, including announcements: (i) to inform investors about the further extension of the period of Final Distribution and the postponement of the Termination Date, if any Suspended Stock is not liquidated by 19 November 2018; and (ii) in due course, to inform investors of the Final Distribution Date, the Termination Date, the dates for the deauthorisation and the delisting.

IMPORTANT NOTES: Stockbrokers and financial intermediaries are urged to forward a copy of this Announcement to their clients holding Units in the Terminating Sub-Fund, and inform them of the contents of this Announcement as soon as possible. Relevant Investors should contact their stockbrokers and financial intermediaries in relation to the extension of the Final Distribution. Investors should exercise caution and consult with their professional and financial advisers on the course of actions to be taken in relation to their Units.

## **CSOP ETF Series (the "Trust")**

(A Hong Kong umbrella unit trust authorised under Section 104 of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Cap. 571) of the laws of Hong Kong)

CSOP CES China A80 ETF (RMB Counter Stock Code: 83137) (HKD Counter Stock Code: 03137) (the "Terminating Sub-Fund")

## EXTENSION OF FINAL DISTRIBUTION AND POSTPONEMENT OF THE TERMINATION DATE ANNOUNCEMENT

Reference is made to the Announcement and Notice dated 16 November 2017 titled "Announcement and Notice of the Proposed Cessation of Trading, Termination, Voluntary Deauthorisation and Delisting and Waiver from Strict Compliance with Certain Provisions of the Code" (the "First Announcement"), and the Interim Distribution Announcement dated 22 January 2018 (i.e. the "Interim Distribution Announcement") issued by CSOP Asset Management Limited (the "Manager"), the manager of the Trust and the Terminating Sub-Fund.

Capitalised terms not defined in this Announcement shall have the same meanings as defined in the First Announcement.

The purpose of this Announcement is to inform the Relevant Investors of the extension of Final Distribution and postponement of the Termination Date. Relevant Investors, as defined in the First Announcement, mean those investors who remain invested in the Terminating Sub-Fund as of 22 December 2017, being the Distribution Record Date.

As disclosed in section 2.3 of the First Announcement and section 3 of the Interim Distribution, if trading of any Suspended Stock has not resumed by 18 May 2018, the Manager will publish an announcement on such date to inform Relevant Investors of the extension of the period of Final Distribution and the postponement of the Termination Date.

As at 17 May 2018, the Terminating Sub-Fund held 2 Suspended Stocks, the value of which is approximately RMB 39,488 and accounted for 70.7% of the Terminating Sub-Fund's Net Asset Value as of 17 May 2018.

Therefore, the Manager would like to extend the period for Final Distribution and postpone the Termination Date to a day no later than 19 November 2018 (Monday) based on the prevailing market conditions. The Trustee does not have any objection to such arrangement. The Manager will further publish an announcement on the Termination Date about the termination, deauthorisation and delisting of the Terminating Sub-Fund. If trading of any Suspended Stock has not resumed by 19 November 2018, the Manager will further publish an announcement on such date to inform Unitholders of the further extension of the period of Final Distribution and the postponement of the Termination Date. Please refer to the First Announcement for further details on the treatment of Suspended Stocks.

The Manager will also update investors by issuing the following:

- (in due course) an announcement to inform the investors of the Final Distribution;
- (shortly before 19 November 2018, if any Suspended Stock is not liquidated by then) an announcement to inform investors about the extension of the period of Final Distribution and the postponement of the Termination Date; and
- (on or around the Termination Date) an announcement informing investors about the Termination Date, dates for the deauthorisation and delisting of the Terminating Sub-Fund,

in accordance with the applicable regulatory requirements. If there is any change to the dates mentioned in the First Announcement and the Interim Distribution Announcement, the Manager will issue an announcement to inform the Relevant Investors of the revised dates.

Dispatch of this announcement	17 May 2018, Thursday
Dispatch of announcement on Final Distribution and the distribution rate per unit	After 17 May 2018, Thursday (i.e. this announcement date) until the Termination Date, at least one business day before the Final Distribution Date
Final Distribution, after the Manager having consulted the Trustee and the Terminating Sub-Fund's auditor, will be paid to the Relevant Investors (the "Final Distribution Date")	After 17 May 2018, Thursday (i.e. this announcement date) until the Termination Date
Termination of the Terminating Sub-Fund (the "Termination Date")	As soon as possible after 17 May 2018, Thursday (i.e. this announcement date) and expected to be on or before 19 November 2018, Monday, when all Suspended Stocks resume trading and are liquidated and distributions are made to the Relevant Investors, and when the Manager and Trustee form an opinion that the Terminating Sub-Fund ceases to have any contingent or actual assets or liabilities.  If any of the Suspended Stocks has not resumed trading by 19 November 2018, Monday, the Manager will issue an announcement to inform Unitholders of the extension of the period of Final Distribution and the postponement of the Termination Date.
Deauthorisation and delisting of the Terminating Sub-Fund	On or shortly after the Termination Date, which is the date the SFC and SEHK approve the deauthorisation and delisting respectively. The Manager expects that the deauthorisation and delisting will take place either on or immediately after the Termination Date.

The Manager will bear all costs and expenses associated with the termination, deauthorisation and delisting of the Terminating Sub-Fund (other than normal operating expenses such as transaction costs and any taxes relating to the realisation of assets of the Terminating Sub-Fund) from the date of this announcement up to and including the Termination Date.

Investors who are in doubt about the contents of this Announcement should contact their independent financial intermediaries or professional advisers to seek their professional advice, or direct their queries to the Manager at (852) 3406 5688 during office hours (except Hong Kong statutory holidays), or visiting the Manager in person at 2801-2803, Two Exchange Square, 8 Connaught Place, Central, Hong Kong, or visiting the Manager's website: <a href="http://www.csopasset.com">http://www.csopasset.com</a>1.

The Manager accepts full responsibility for the accuracy of the information contained in this Announcement

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The contents of the website have not been reviewed by the SFC.

and confirms, having made all reasonable enquiries, that to the best of its knowledge and belief, there are no other facts the omission of which would make any statement misleading.

## **CSOP** Asset Management Limited

as Manager of the Trust and the Terminating Sub-Fund

17 May 2018