

## Market Announcement

15 June 2018

# iShares Trust (iShares Russell 2000 ETF (ASX:IRU) and iShares Global Telecom ETF (ASX:IXP)) – Suspension from Official Quotation

### **Description**

The securities in the following iShares exchange traded funds (the 'iShares ETFs') issued by iShares Trust will be suspended from quotation at the close of trading today, Friday, 15 June 2018 in accordance with Listing Rule 17.2, pending the removal of the iShares ETFs from the Official List of ASX Limited, effective 22 June 2018.

Security Codes:	IRU	iShares Russell 2000 EFT
	IXP	iShares Global Telecom ETF

All other quoted securities issued by iShares Trust will <u>NOT</u> be suspended.

### **Issued by**

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Mr George Tharian ASX Listings Compliance Exchange Centre 20 Bridge Street Sydney NSW 2000

Dear George

#### Request for Voluntary Suspension

BlackRock Investment Management (Australia) Limited (**BIMAL**), on behalf of iShares, Inc. and iShares Trust, requests a voluntary suspension in trading from the official list of the Australian Securities Exchange (**ASX**) of CHESS Depositary Interests (**CDIs**) in the following iShares® exchange traded funds (**iShares ETFs**) with effect from the close of trading on 15 June 2018:

ASX Code	Issuing Entity	ASX Name
IRU	iShares Trust	iShares Russell 2000 ETF
IXP	iShares Trust	iShares Global Telecom ETF
ISG	iShares, Inc.	iShares MSCI Singapore ETF
IHK	iShares, Inc.	iShares MSCI Hong Kong ETF
IBK	iShares, Inc.	iShares MSCI BRIC ETF

The request is made in relation to the removal from the official list of the ASX of CDIs in respect of each of the above iShares ETFs effective 22 June 2018 as announced by BIMAL on the ASX platform on 3 May 2018.

BIMAL requests that the suspension remain in place until the removal of the CDIs from the official list on 22 June 2018.

BIMAL is not aware of any reason as to why the suspension should not be granted.

BIMAL is not aware of any further information necessary to inform the market about the voluntary suspension.

This request is made in accordance with ASX Listing Rule 17.2.

For and on behalf of

BlackRock Investment Management (Australia) Limited

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Director of BlackRock Investment Management (Australia) Limited Local agent and appointed delegate of iShares, Inc. and iShares Trust