

IMPORTANT: This letter is important and requires your immediate attention. If you have any questions about the content of this letter, please seek independent professional advice.

12 October 2018

Dear Investor,

## Merger of JPMorgan Philippine Fund into JPMorgan ASEAN Fund

We are writing to inform you of our proposal to merge JPMorgan Philippine Fund (the "Terminating Fund") into JPMorgan ASEAN Fund (the "Receiving Fund"). JPMorgan Funds (Asia) Limited, the manager of the Terminating Fund (the "Manager"), believes that this proposal will benefit the unitholders as it will create a larger pool of assets which should not only provide potential economies of scale but also enhance fund management efficiency.

The proposal to merge the Terminating Fund into the Receiving Fund (the "Merger") is to be decided at a general meeting of unitholders of the Terminating Fund (the "Meeting") convened in accordance with paragraphs 28 and 29.4 of the base terms dated 31 October 2016 (which have been incorporated by way of an amended and restated trust deed into the Terminating Fund's trust deed dated 29 July 1974, as further amended and supplemented from time to time (the "Trust Deed")). The Meeting will be held on 11 January 2019, 2:30 p.m. (Hong Kong time) at 27th Floor, Chater House, 8 Connaught Road Central, Hong Kong. The Manager recommends that unitholders vote in favour of the resolution being put to them at the Meeting.

Please refer to Enclosure I which highlights the key differences and similarities between the Terminating Fund and the Receiving Fund (including the investment objective and policies, risk factors, latest fund size, fees and charges and total expense ratio) for reference. The Terminating Fund currently has only one retail class, i.e., JPMorgan Philippine (acc) - USD, which will be merged into the JPMorgan ASEAN (acc) - USD class of the Receiving Fund. Unitholders should also refer to the relevant sections of the JPMorgan Funds (Unit Trust Range) Explanatory Memoranda dated October 2016, as amended from time to time (the "Consolidated Explanatory Memoranda") and the relevant Product Key Fact Statements which set out a description of the investment policies and specific risk factors of the Terminating Fund and the Receiving Fund.

Kindly take careful note of the details of the agenda as well as the quorum and voting requirements as set out in the Notice of General Meeting of Unitholders (Enclosure II). If you would like to vote but cannot personally attend the Meeting, you should complete and return the Form of Proxy (Enclosure III) to us **URGENTLY**, which in any event should be received by us no later than 4 January 2019, 6:00 p.m. (Hong Kong time), using the envelope provided. If, however, we do not hear from you by this date and time, your instructions will not be reflected in respect of your holdings and therefore will not be considered at the Meeting.

With effect from and including the date of this letter, the Terminating Fund is no longer allowed to be marketed to the public in Hong Kong, and further subscription and switching into the Terminating Fund will be suspended until further notice, except for investment from existing

investors through Regular Investment Plan<sup>1</sup>, eScheduler<sup>2</sup> and pension schemes, which will be still permissible (insofar as there is no increase in the scheduled contribution amount) until 15 March 2019 if the proposed Merger is approved by the unitholders at the Meeting.

Should the proposed Merger be approved by the unitholders at the Meeting, units held by unitholders in the Terminating Fund, including those units invested through the Regular Investment Plan, eScheduler and pension schemes, will be exchanged for units in the Receiving Fund on 22 March 2019 or such other date as may be determined by the Manager (the "Merger Date") which will be set out in the notification letter to unitholders regarding the outcome of the Meeting (the "Result Notice"). Those investing in the Terminating Fund through the Regular Investment Plan, eScheduler and pension schemes should note that future investments into the Terminating Fund will permanently cease on the Merger Date.

The Merger will be in accordance with the terms and arrangements as set out in Enclosure IV "Details of the Merger Process". Units in the Terminating Fund will be exchanged for units in the Receiving Fund on the basis of the formula set out in Enclosure IV. In particular, the Terminating Fund's assets will be transferred to the Receiving Fund on the Merger Date after deduction of such amount as appropriate to meet all outstanding liabilities of the Terminating Fund. Accordingly, unitholders who intend to remain in the Terminating Fund should note that such deduction will impact the net asset value of the Terminating Fund, which in turn may impact the number of units in the Receiving Fund that you may receive. Unitholders should also note that the net asset value per unit of the Terminating Fund and the Receiving Fund on the Merger Date may not necessarily be the same. Therefore, while the overall value of your holding (except for rounding adjustments, if any) will remain the same, you may receive a different number of units in the Receiving Fund from what you previously held in the Terminating Fund. The contract notes for the disposal of units in the Terminating Fund and the issue of units in the Receiving Fund will be issued as soon as practicable after the Merger Date.

The legal, mailing and other administrative expenses associated with the proposed Merger are estimated to be approximately USD40,000 and will be borne by the Manager. There are no unamortised establishment costs outstanding relating to the Terminating Fund.

Redemption and switching from the Terminating Fund will cease after 15 March 2019, 5:00 p.m. (Hong Kong time) should the proposed Merger be approved by the unitholders at the Meeting. If you do not wish to hold units in the Receiving Fund after the Merger Date, we are pleased to offer you the opportunity to switch your current holding in the Terminating Fund, free of charge, into any other funds which are managed by the Manager or for which it acts as Hong Kong representative<sup>3</sup> and are authorised by the Securities and Futures Commission ("SFC")<sup>4</sup>, provided that we receive your switching instruction from the date of this letter up to and including 15 March 2019, 5:00 p.m. (Hong Kong time)<sup>5</sup>. The details of such funds (including the relevant offering documents) can be found on our website <a href="https://www.ipmorganam.com.hk">www.ipmorganam.com.hk</a>. If you would prefer to redeem your holding in

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> If you invest through a bank, distributor or financial adviser, please note that the arrangement of your Regular Investment Plan may be different. You are advised to contact your bank, distributor or financial adviser should you have any questions.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The eScheduler is only available to clients dealing via J.P. Morgan eTrading platform in Hong Kong.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Please note that, as provided in the relevant offering documents of the funds, the manager or the Hong Kong representative (as applicable) of each such fund has the discretion to accept or reject in whole or in part any application for units or shares (as the case may be) in the fund.

<sup>4</sup> SFC authorisation is not a recommendation or endorsement of a scheme nor does it guarantee the commercial merits of a scheme or its performance. It does not mean the scheme is suitable for all investors nor is it an endorsement of its suitability for any particular investor or class of investors.

<sup>5</sup> Please note that although we will not impose any charges in respect of your switching instructions, your bank, distributor, financial adviser or pension scheme trustee or administrator may charge you switching and/or transaction fees and may impose different dealing arrangements. You are advised to contact your bank, distributor, financial adviser or pension scheme trustee or administrator should you have any questions.

<sup>6</sup> This website has not been reviewed by the SFC.

the Terminating Fund, you may do so up to and including 15 March 2019, 5:00 p.m. (Hong Kong time), free of charge<sup>7</sup>.

Should there be any significant redemption from the Terminating Fund prior to the Merger, the Manager may, with due care, skill and diligence, and in consultation with the Trustee of the Terminating Fund, apply any liquidity risk management tools specified in the sub-section entitled "Liquidity Risk Management" under the section entitled "GENERAL" in the Consolidated Explanatory Memoranda to ensure unitholders are treated fairly.

Please note that, should the proposed Merger be approved by the unitholders at the Meeting, starting from 18 March 2019, the portfolio of the Terminating Fund may be rebalanced to closely resemble that of the Receiving Fund. From that point onwards, the Terminating Fund will follow the investment objective and policies of the Receiving Fund, until the Merger Date. All transaction costs arising from such portfolio rebalancing will be borne by the Terminating Fund, therefore unitholders who remain in the Terminating Fund when such portfolio rebalancing is carried out will be impacted. The Terminating Fund is also expected to incur transaction costs in its subsequent transfer of assets to the Receiving Fund, which, together with the transaction costs arising from portfolio rebalancing, are estimated to be approximately 0.70% of the total net asset value of the Terminating Fund as of 7 September 2018.

The trustee of the Receiving Fund is Bank of East Asia (Trustees) Limited. Upon completion of the termination of the Terminating Fund, the Trustee of the Terminating Fund will be released from its obligations as trustee in respect of the Terminating Fund's assets.

The Result Notice will be sent to unitholders as soon as practicable after the Meeting. In the event that unitholders do not approve the proposed Merger, the proposal to merge the Terminating Fund into the Receiving Fund will not proceed. In such event, the Terminating Fund will resume processing subscriptions to the Terminating Fund, including those through the Regular Investment Plan, eScheduler and pension schemes, with effect from the date of the Result Notice and will continue to process redemptions and switching as set out in the Consolidated Explanatory Memoranda.

The proposed Merger will have no Hong Kong profits tax implications to the Terminating Fund or the Receiving Fund. Unitholders of the Terminating Fund should note that the exchange of units in the Terminating Fund for units in the Receiving Fund pursuant to the proposed Merger may be considered as a disposal of the units in the Terminating Fund for tax purposes and any gains derived may be subject to tax. Generally, unitholders will not be liable to Hong Kong profits tax on gains realised on the disposal of units, except where the acquisition and disposal of units are or form part of a trade, profession or business carried on by the unitholders in Hong Kong and the gains are revenue in nature for Hong Kong profits tax purposes. The classification of a gain as revenue or capital will depend on the particular circumstances of the unitholders. Unitholders should take advice from their own professional advisors as to their particular tax position.

Copies of the Consolidated Explanatory Memoranda, trust deeds, base terms and any other documents of the Terminating Fund and the Receiving Fund set out under the section entitled "Documents Available for Inspection" in the Consolidated Explanatory Memoranda, are available for inspection free of charge during normal working hours at the offices of the Manager<sup>8</sup>.

Please note that although we will not impose any charges in respect of your redemption instructions, your bank, distributor, financial adviser or pension scheme trustee or administrator may charge you redemption and/or transaction fees. You are advised to contact your bank, distributor, financial adviser or pension scheme trustee or administrator should you have any questions.

<sup>8</sup> The registered office of the Manager is located at 21st Floor, Chater House, 8 Connaught Road Central, Hong Kong.

The Manager accepts responsibility for the accuracy of the content of this letter.

If you have any questions with regard to the content of this letter or any other aspect of the Terminating Fund, please do not hesitate to contact:

- your bank or financial adviser;
- your designated client adviser, account manager, pension scheme trustee or administrator;
- our Intermediary Hotline on (852) 2978 7788;
- our Intermediary Clients' Hotline on (852) 2265 1000; or
- if you normally deal directly with us, our J.P. Morgan Funds InvestorLine on (852) 2265 1188.

Yours faithfully, For and on behalf of JPMorgan Funds (Asia) Limited

Edwin TK Chan Director

#### **Enclosures:**

I Details of the Terminating Fund and the Receiving Fund

II Notice of General Meeting of Unitholders

III Form of Proxy

IV Details of the Merger Process

## Details of JPMorgan Philippine Fund (the "Terminating Fund") and JPMorgan ASEAN Fund (the "Receiving Fund")

	Terminating Fund	Receiving Fund	
Investment objective and policies	The investment policy of the Terminating Fund is to provide long-term capital growth through investment primarily in the securities of companies based or operating in the Philippines.  The Terminating Fund may also invest in derivatives such as forward contracts, options, warrants and futures for investment purposes and may under limited circumstances as considered appropriate by the Manager and the Investment Manager, hold substantial amounts of its portfolio in cash and cash based instruments.	The investment policy of the Receiving Fund is to enable investors to participate in a managed portfolio consisting primarily of securities with significant assets in, or significant earnings derived from one or more of the countries comprising the Association of South East Asian Nations. The Manager will aim to achieve capital growth in US dollar terms.  The Receiving Fund's aggregate exposure (direct and indirect) to China A-Shares and B-Shares may not exceed 10% of its net	
		derivatives such as options, warrants and futures for investment purposes and may under limited circumstances as considered appropriate by the Manager and the Investment Manager, hold substantial amounts of its portfolio in cash and cash based instruments. The Receiving Fund will have limited Renminbi (RMB) denominated underlying investments.	
Investment restrictions and guidelines	The investment restrictions and guidelines of the Terminating Fund and the Receiving Fund are similar. Additional investment restrictions and guidelines applicable to the Terminating Fund and the Receiving Fund are set out as below:		
	The value of the Terminating Fund's holding of securities of companies which are based in or operate principally in the Philippines, shall not be less than 70% of its non-cash assets in securities and other investments.	of securities of companies which are based in or operate principally in the Association of South East Asian Nations shall not be less	
Risk factors	The risk factors of the Terminating Fund and the Receiving Fund are similar, except that the Terminating Fund has an additional key risk factor in relation to diversification and the Receiving Fund has additional risk factors in relation to currency hedging and RMB exposure. Key risk factors for the Terminating Fund and the Receiving Fund are set out as below:		
	<ul> <li>Emerging markets risk</li> <li>Diversification risk</li> <li>Currency risk</li> <li>Liquidity risk</li> <li>Equity risk</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Emerging markets risk</li> <li>Currency risk</li> <li>Liquidity risk</li> <li>Equity risk</li> <li>Hedging risk</li> <li>Class currency risk</li> <li>RMB currency risk</li> <li>Currency Hedged Classes risk</li> </ul>	

Manager	JPMorgan Funds (Asia) Limited			
Investment Manager	JF Asset Management Limited			
Sub-Manager	JPMorgan Asset Management (Singapore) Limited		JPMorgan Asset Management (Singapore) Limited JPMorgan Asset Management (UK) Limited	
Trustee	HSBC Institutional Trus Limited	st Services (Asia)	Bank of East Asia (Trustees) Limited	
Dealing frequency	Daily			
Distribution policy	Only accumulation classes are offered for the Terminating Fund and the Receiving Fund. All income will be accumulated and reinvested within the accumulation classes.			
Base currency	USD			
Minimum investment	Lump-sum (initial / additional): USD2,000 or equivalent  Regular Investment Plan: HKD1,000 per month		Lump-sum (initial / additional): RMB16,000 or equivalent for RMB denominated class and USD2,000 or equivalent for other classes  Regular Investment Plan: HKD1,000 per month	
	The Manager may apply a different minimum lump sum investment and/or a different minimum monthly investment.			
Initial charge	Up to 5.0% of NAV per unit			
Switching charge	Up to 1.0% of NAV per unit			
Redemption charge	Currently 0% (Up to 0.5	Currently 0% (Up to 0.5% of NAV per unit)		
Management fee	1.5% of NAV p.a. (maximum 2.5%)			
Trustee fee	Up to 0.2% per annum of the NAV, with the current rate as follows:		0.018% of NAV p.a. (maximum 0.2%)	
		Rate (per annum)		
	On the first USD40,000,000	0.06% of NAV		
	On the next USD30,000,000	0.04% of NAV		
	On the balance over USD70,000,000	0.025% of NAV		
Total expense ratio	otal expense ratio 1.85% as at 31 August 2018		1.60% as at 31 August 2018	
	The total expense ratio represents the total percentage of the Terminating Fund or the Rec		expenses (excluding transaction costs) as a exceiving Fund's average net asset value.	
Fund size	USD94 million as at 31 August 2018		USD1,545 million as at 31 August 2018	

## **Notice of General Meeting of Unitholders**

Notice is hereby given by JPMorgan Funds (Asia) Limited (the "Manager"), the manager of JPMorgan Philippine Fund (the "Terminating Fund"), that a general meeting of Unitholders (as defined in Note 1 below) for the Terminating Fund (the "Meeting") will be held on 11 January 2019, 2:30 p.m. (Hong Kong time) at 27th Floor, Chater House, 8 Connaught Road Central, Hong Kong, for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, passing the resolution set out below.

Capitalised terms used in this notice shall have the same meanings as in the trust deed of the Terminating Fund (the "Trust Deed") unless otherwise specified.

#### **EXTRAORDINARY RESOLUTIONS**

#### THAT:

- (i) the proposed merger of JPMorgan Philippine Fund into JPMorgan ASEAN Fund (the "Receiving Fund") as set out in the letter dated 12 October 2018 (the "Merger") shall be and is hereby approved.
- (ii) the scheme arrangement (the "Scheme") set out in Enclosure IV headed "Details of the Merger Process", a copy of which has been laid before this meeting and signed for the purpose of identification by the chairman thereof (the "Chairman"), shall be and is hereby approved. The Trustee of the Terminating Fund and the Manager shall be and are hereby authorised (insofar as they are not already authorised by the Trust Deed) to terminate the Terminating Fund by implementing the Scheme and to execute any document and do any act or thing for the purpose of terminating the Terminating Fund and implementing the Scheme and the Merger.

The Manager shall be and is hereby authorised and directed to arrange for distribution to Unitholders of contract notes for Units to be issued by way of satisfaction and discharge of those Unitholders' respective interests in the assets of the Terminating Fund as shall be transferred to the Receiving Fund in accordance with the Scheme.

- (iii) on a termination pursuant and giving effect to the Scheme, the Unitholders' rights attaching to the Units in respect of the assets of the Terminating Fund shall be satisfied by Unitholders receiving their respective entitlements in the Receiving Fund in accordance with the Scheme.
- (iv) the Manager shall be and is hereby authorised to take all steps necessary to withdraw the registration or authorisation of the Terminating Fund in those jurisdictions where the Terminating Fund is registered or authorised for sale after the effective date of the Merger.

#### **VOTING**

The resolution of the Meeting will require a quorum of Unitholders present in person or by proxy holding in aggregate at least 25% of the Units for the time being in issue and the Chairman of the Meeting will be instructed to demand a poll. The resolution will be passed by a majority of 75% or more of the votes expressed by the Unitholders present or represented at the Meeting. Votes cast shall not include those which are attached to Units where the Unitholders have abstained, have not taken part in the vote in person or by proxy, or have returned a blank or invalid vote.

If the quorum is not reached, an adjourned meeting will be convened with the same agenda not less than 15 clear days after the Meeting. Any Unitholders present in person or by proxy at the adjourned meeting, whatever the number of Unitholders and number of Units held by them, will form a quorum and the chairman of such adjourned meeting will be instructed to demand a poll. The resolution will be passed by a majority of 75% or more of the votes expressed by the Unitholders present or represented at such adjourned meeting.

Forms of Proxy (please see below, under "VOTING ARRANGEMENTS") already received prior to the date and time specified below will be used to vote at the adjourned meeting, if any, unless specifically revoked.

#### **VOTING ARRANGEMENTS**

Unitholders who cannot personally attend the Meeting are requested to use the enclosed Form of Proxy (copy also available via the website <a href="www.jpmorganam.com.hk">www.jpmorganam.com.hk</a>), which should be received by us no later than 4 January 2019, 6:00 p.m. (Hong Kong time) at GPO Box 11448, Hong Kong.

For and on behalf of JPMorgan Funds (Asia) Limited

#### Notes:

- 1. The term "Unitholder" means a person entered on the register of the Terminating Fund maintained under the Trust Deed as a holder of a Unit and includes persons jointly registered.
- 2. A corporation may by resolution of its directors or other governing body authorise a person as it thinks fit to act as its representative at the Meeting and that person so authorised shall be entitled to exercise the powers on behalf of the corporation provided that person produces a copy of the resolution certified by a director of the corporation to be a true copy.
- 3. Each Unitholder entitled to attend and vote at the above mentioned Meeting is entitled to appoint a proxy to attend and vote in his/her place. A proxy need not be a Unitholder. A Form of Proxy is enclosed.
- 4. If a quorum is not present within 30 minutes from the time appointed for the Meeting, the Meeting will be adjourned for a period not less than 15 clear days thereafter at such a place as may be appointed by the Chairman and any Unitholders present, in person or by proxy, at the adjourned meeting whatever their number and the number of Units held by them will constitute a quorum.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This website has not been reviewed by the Securities and Futures Commission.

## **IMPORTANT**

PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN THIS FORM IMMEDIATELY which in any event should be received by us no later than 6:00 p.m. (Hong Kong time) on 4 January 2019.

# JPMorgan Philippine Fund (the "Terminating Fund") Form of Proxy for Use at the General Meeting of Unitholders

Name(s) and Address of Client:				
	Account Number(s):			
	MasterAccount:			
	Regular Investment Plan:			
	(if applicable)			
PLEASE COMPLETE IN BLOCK CAPITAL LETTERS				
I/We the undersigned,				
Corporate Name/First Name(s)	Last Name			
hereby appoint the Chairman of the General Meeting of Unitholders (the "Meeting"),				

as my/our representative to vote for me/us on my/our behalf on the item of the agenda, as indicated below, of the Meeting to be held on 11 January 2019, 2:30p.m. (Hong Kong time), and at any adjournment thereof, at 27th Floor, Chater House, 8 Connaught Road Central, Hong Kong, as more fully described in the Notice of General Meeting of Unitholders (Enclosure II). Capitalised terms used in this Form of Proxy shall have the same meanings as in the Notice of General Meeting of Unitholders (Enclosure II) unless otherwise defined.

## Direction to your representative

If you want your representative to vote in a certain way on the resolution specified, please indicate with an "\scrtw" in the spaces below. If you fail to select any of the given options, your representative can vote as he/she chooses or can decide not to vote at all. The representative can also do this on any other resolution that is put to the Meeting. If you appoint the Chairman as your representative and you do not indicate with an "\scrtw" in the spaces below how you wish your votes to be cast, the Chairman will vote 'for' in favour of the resolution specified.

### VOTING INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE TERMINATING FUND

For unitholders placing the same voting direction to your representative for all units held in the Terminating Fund, please indicate with an "\scrim" in the spaces below. If you wish your representative to vote only part of your units in the Terminating Fund, please indicate the number of units to be voted in the relevant box. If you indicate more units than are actually held on your behalf, your representative may vote the total number of units on your behalf in the same proportions to that indicated below. Please note that this Form of Proxy must be duly executed in order to be effective.

Agenda	"For"	"Against"	"Abstain"
To consider and approve the following resolution:			
1. (i) the proposed merger of JPMorgan Philippine Fund into JPMorgan ASEAN Fund (the "Receiving Fund") as set out in the letter dated 12 October 2018 (the "Merger") shall be and is hereby approved.			
(ii) the scheme arrangement (the "Scheme") set out in Enclosure IV headed "Details of the Merger Process", a copy of which has been laid before this meeting and signed for the purpose of identification by the chairman thereof (the "Chairman"), shall be and is hereby approved. The Trustee of the Terminating Fund and the Manager shall be and are hereby authorised (insofar as they are not already authorised by the Trust Deed)			

Agenda	"For"	"Against"	"Abstain"
to terminate the Terminating Fund by implementing the Scheme and to execute any document and do any act or thing for the purpose of terminating the Terminating Fund and implementing the Scheme and the Merger.			
The Manager shall be and is hereby authorised and directed to arrange for distribution to Unitholders of contract notes for Units to be issued by way of satisfaction and discharge of those Unitholders' respective interests in the assets of the Terminating Fund as shall be transferred to the Receiving Fund in accordance with the Scheme.			
(iii) on a termination pursuant and giving effect to the Scheme, the Unitholders' rights attaching to the Units in respect of the assets of the Terminating Fund shall be satisfied by Unitholders receiving their respective entitlements in the Receiving Fund in accordance with the Scheme.			
(iv) the Manager shall be and is hereby authorised to take all steps necessary to withdraw the registration or authorisation of the Terminating Fund in those jurisdictions where the Terminating Fund is registered or authorised for sale after the effective date of the Merger.			

Individual:		Corporation:			
Signature	Date	The Common Seal of	Affixed in the presence of	Date	

#### Notes:

- 1. To be valid, the Form of Proxy and any power of attorney under which it is signed must be received by JPMorgan Funds (Asia) Limited at GPO Box 11448, Hong Kong no later than 6:00 p.m. (Hong Kong time) on 4 January 2019, or if the meeting is adjourned, no later than 6:00 p.m. (Hong Kong time) on the fifth Hong Kong business day prior to the date of the adjourned meeting. The Form of Proxy may be sent in the first instance by facsimile on (852) 2868 1577, but the original Form of Proxy should follow by mail to JPMorgan Funds (Asia) Limited at GPO Box 11448, Hong Kong.
- 2. A proxy need not be a Unitholder.
- 3. The Chairman of the Meeting will be entitled to rely and act upon any instruction given, or purported to be given to the Chairman's satisfaction, by either or any joint Unitholders.
- 4. In the case of joint Unitholders, the vote of the senior who tenders a vote (whether in person or by proxy) shall be accepted to the exclusion of the other joint Unitholders and for this purpose seniority shall be determined by the order in which the names stand in the Register, the first name being senior.
- 5. This Form of Proxy shall be signed by a Unitholder or a Unitholder's attorney duly authorised in writing. In the case of a corporation, this Form of Proxy must be executed under its common seal or signed by an officer or attorney so authorised.
- 6. The votes cast shall not include those which are attached to units where the Unitholders have abstained, have not taken part in the vote in person or by proxy, or have returned a blank or invalid vote. The votes "Abstain" will only be counted in the quorum for the Meeting.
- 7. Forms of Proxy for the Meeting already received prior to the date and time specified in Note 1 will be used to vote at the adjourned meeting, if any, unless specifically revoked prior to the deadline.

## **Details of the Merger Process**

## Scheme arrangement (the "Scheme")1

- 1. The Trustee of the Terminating Fund (the "Trustee") and the Manager shall transfer all the Terminating Fund's assets (after deduction of such amount as the Trustee and the Manager determine to be appropriate to meet all outstanding liabilities of the Terminating Fund) to the Receiving Fund on the effective date of the Merger (the "Merger Date") in consideration for the issue of units of the Receiving Fund to the unitholders of the Terminating Fund (the "Unitholders").
- 2. The Terminating Fund shall terminate on the Merger Date following the final transfer (in accordance with paragraph 1 above) of the Terminating Fund's assets to the Receiving Fund.
- 3. The Trustee and the Manager will take reasonable care to ensure the provision for liabilities of the Terminating Fund to be a fair estimate. If there shall be any surplus after discharging all outstanding liabilities of the Terminating Fund, the Manager shall arrange for that surplus to be transferred to the Receiving Fund. If the provision for liabilities is insufficient to discharge all outstanding liabilities of the Terminating Fund, the Manager shall bear the deficit at its own cost.
- 4. The issue of units of the Receiving Fund shall be made to Unitholders on the basis of the following formula:

N = C / P

Where:

N = Number of units<sup>2</sup> in the Receiving Fund (rounded to 3 decimal places) issued to the Unitholder

P = Net Asset Value per unit<sup>3</sup> of the Receiving Fund (rounded to 2 decimal places) where the assets of the Receiving Fund are valued in accordance with paragraph 5 below

 $C = M \times Q$  with the resultant sum rounded to 2 decimal places

M = Number of units and fractions thereof in the Terminating Fund held by the Unitholder

Q = Net Asset Value per unit of the Terminating Fund (rounded to 4 decimal places<sup>4</sup>) where the assets of the Terminating Fund are valued in accordance with paragraph 5 below after the deduction of an appropriate amount as set out in paragraph 1 above

5. The assets of the Terminating Fund shall be valued on the Merger Date in accordance with the base terms dated 31 October 2016 (which have been incorporated by way of an amended and restated trust deed into the Terminating Fund's trust deed dated 29 July 1974, as further

Capitalised terms used herein shall have the same meanings as in the Notice of General Meeting of Unitholders (Enclosure II) and the trust deed of the Terminating Fund, unless otherwise defined.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> This refers to the number of units in the respective class of the Receiving Fund.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> This refers to the Net Asset Value per unit of the respective class of the Receiving Fund.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Please note that this rounding treatment only applies to the Merger in the calculation of the number of units in the Receiving Fund that will be issued to Unitholders, and is intended to reduce the impact of rounding in the calculation so that the number of units that Unitholders will receive will more accurately reflect the value of their holdings in the Terminating Fund on the Merger Date.

amended and supplemented from time to time). The assets of the Receiving Fund shall be valued on the Merger Date in accordance with the base terms dated 31 October 2016 (which have been incorporated by way of an amended and restated trust deed into the Receiving Fund's trust deed dated 7 July 1983, as further amended and supplemented from time to time). The manager of the Terminating Fund and the Receiving Fund shall use and apply the same valuation means, determinations or methods for the Terminating Fund and the Receiving Fund.

- 6. All liabilities attributable to the Terminating Fund or the Receiving Fund prior to the Merger Date shall be binding solely upon the Terminating Fund or the Receiving Fund as the case may be. In calculating the liabilities of the Terminating Fund or the Receiving Fund for the purposes of the Net Asset Value, the Manager or, as the case may be, the manager of the Receiving Fund shall value such liabilities in accordance with the normal accounting policies or valuation principles of the Terminating Fund or the Receiving Fund, as the case may be.
- 7. In relation to units of the Receiving Fund issued pursuant to this Scheme:-
  - A) JPMorgan Funds (Asia) Limited will issue contract notes for such units on or before the second Business Day immediately following the Merger Date or as soon as practicable thereafter, to the persons entitled thereto at their respective addresses appearing in the Terminating Fund's register of Unitholders (and, in the case of joint Unitholders, to the address of the first named); and
  - B) the Manager shall be entitled to assume that all information contained in the Terminating Fund's register of Unitholders is correct and to utilise the same in procuring registration of the units issued pursuant to the Scheme.
- 8. The provisions in this Scheme shall have effect subject to such modifications or additions as the Manager and the Trustee may from time to time approve in writing and consider it is in the best interests of Unitholders.
- 9. The trustee and the manager of the Receiving Fund shall be entitled to act and rely upon any certificate, opinion, advice or information furnished by the Trustee, the Manager, the Registrar, the Auditors of the Terminating Fund and its or their other professional advisers and shall not be liable or responsible for any loss suffered as a result thereof.
- 10. The Trustee and the Manager of the Terminating Fund shall be entitled to act and rely upon any certificate, opinion, evidence or information furnished by the trustee, the manager, the registrar, the auditors of the Receiving Fund and its or their other professional advisers and shall not be liable or responsible for any loss suffered as a result thereof.
- 11. The Scheme is conditional upon the passing of the Extraordinary Resolution and to all conditions (if any) to such resolution being fulfilled.
- 12. If approved by the passing of the Extraordinary Resolution, this Scheme shall be binding on all Unitholders in accordance with its terms and on all persons claiming through or under them.
- 13. The legal, mailing and other administrative expenses associated with the proposed Merger shall be borne by the Manager. All transaction costs arising from the portfolio rebalancing of the Terminating Fund for the purpose of the Merger will be borne by the Terminating Fund.