## CORPORATE ACTION NOTICE

TERMINATION NOTICE



December 13, 2022

## NOTICE TO HOLDERS OF GLOBAL DEPOSITARY SHARES ("GDSs") EVIDENCED BY GLOBAL DEPOSITARY RECEIPTS ("GDRs") REPRESENTING DEPOSITED ORDINARY SHARES OF: ACCESS BANK PLC

ONE GDR REPRESENTS 100 ORDINARY SHARES
CUSIP: 00433P101 AND UNDERLYING ISIN: NGACCESS0005

As owners and beneficial owners of the above GDRs (the "Holders"), you are hereby notified that The Bank of New York Mellon, as depositary (the "Depositary"), will be terminating the Regulation S Deposit Agreement, dated August 1, 2007 (the "Deposit Agreement"), among Access Bank plc (the "Company"), the Depositary, and Owners and Beneficial Owners of GDRs (the "Deposit Agreement").

The Company announced a Scheme of Arrangement to establish a non-operating holding company, Access Holdings plc, effective March 28, 2022. As a result, all previously deposited ordinary shares of the Company became ordinary shares of Access Holdings plc.

As the new Access Holdings plc ordinary shares were not registered under the U.S. Securities Act of 1933, the Depositary was not permitted to distribute such shares to the Holders. In accordance with the terms of the Deposit Agreement, the Depositary instead sold such shares in the local market, receiving the sales proceeds in Nigerian Naira. Due to currency restrictions in Nigeria, the Depositary is unable to convert the sales proceeds into U.S. Dollars at this time. In accordance with the terms of the Deposit Agreement, once the Depositary is able to convert the sales proceeds into U.S. Dollars, the resulting U.S. Dollars will be distributed to the Holders.

Consequently, the Depositary hereby notifies the Holders that the Deposit Agreement will be terminated effective January 17, 2023. The Depositary has closed its books for all transactions.

Additional information will be distributed once the sales proceeds has been converted and the Depositary is ready to distribute the resulting U.S. Dollars.

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To learn more about Depositary Receipts, please contact <u>DRBrokerSolutions@bnymellon.com</u> or visit our website at adrbnymellon.com.

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