Corporate Action Notice



July 16, 2019

Cash Distribution resulting from the Acquisition of Diamond Bank by Access Bank Plc

Diamond Bank Plc ("Diamond Bank")

DR 144A CUSIP: 25256V109 DR 144A ISIN: US25256V1098

Ratio (DRs: Underlying Shares): 1:100

Diamond Bank was acquired by Access Bank effective April 2, 2019. As per the terms of the acquisition, each Diamond Bank share was exchanged for 1 NGN and two (2) shares of Access Bank for ever seven (7) shares of Diamond Bank.

Additionally, Access Bank declared a cash dividend on April 11, 2019 at a net rate of 0.225 NGN (NGN 0.25 less 10% tax). Diamond Bank Global Depositary Receipt ("GDR") holders are entitled to receive the pro-rata distribution of the Access Bank dividend equivalent to their holdings of Diamond Bank GDRs.

BNY Mellon was unable to distribute the Access Bank stock consideration to the 144A GDR Holders in compliance with the requirements of the Diamond Bank Deposit Agreement. As a result, BNY Mellon sold the shares in the local market and the proceeds received from the sale will be distributed to the GDR holders of Diamond Bank in addition to the cash consideration and pro-rata dividend distribution

Effective July 19, 2019, Diamond Bank GDR holders will be required on a mandatory basis to surrender their DRs to BNY Mellon for cancellation and exchange.

BNY Mellon has established the following rates for this corporate action:

Sale of Access Bank shares per GDR: \$0.493424 FX Rate 361.0800 NGN Cash entitlement per GDR: \$0.277332 FX Rate 360.5785 Dividend per GDR: \$0.017742 FX Rate 362.3338

Cancellation Fee per DS: (\$0.050000)

Net Rate per DS: \$0.738498

Consequently, BNY Mellon hereby notifies GDR holders that the Deposit Agreement among BNY Mellon, Diamond Bank and all Owners of Diamond Bank Depositary Receipt has been terminated.

BNY Mellon has closed its books for all transactions.

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

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