

# CORPORATE ACTION NOTICE

## BOOKS CLOSED NOTICE



September 2, 2022

**NOTICE TO HOLDERS OF GLOBAL DEPOSITARY SHARES (“GDSs”) EVIDENCED BY  
GLOBAL DEPOSITARY RECEIPTS (“GDRs”)  
REPRESENTING DEPOSITED ORDINARY SHARES OF:  
PJSC POLYUS  
TWO GDRS REPRESENTS ONE ORDINARY SHARE  
REG S CUSIP: 73181M117 144-A CUSIP: 73181M109  
UNDERLYING ISIN: RU000A0JNAA8**

Please be advised that as a result of uncertainty in connection with the Automatic and Forced Cancellation process (as described in our notices of [July 14, 2022](#) and [August 1, 2022](#)), BNY Mellon has closed its books for cancellations with respect to the PJSC Polyus DR programs until a complete reconciliation of its books and records against GDSs outstanding may be achieved. Note that BNY Mellon cannot guarantee that such reconciliation will be possible, and, to the extent such reconciliation is not possible, the GDR program books will not be reopened.

Please note that BNY Mellon will continue to attempt delivery of ordinary shares for any pending transactions where the GDSs have been presented to the depositary in good order on or before **September 6, 2022** for cancellation. Please ensure that your Russian custodian has the necessary receive instructions in place to accept delivery of the shares.

| <b><u>Transaction Type</u></b> | <b><u>Close Date</u></b> | <b><u>Open Date</u></b> | <b><u>Close Reason</u></b> |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|
| Cancellation                   | Sep 7, 2022              | TBD                     | Depositary Discretion      |

For questions about the acceptance of shares from a DR cancellation, please contact BNY Mellon at [DRRussianInquiries@bnymellon.com](mailto:DRRussianInquiries@bnymellon.com).

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