

Further information on shareholder rights, in particular in accordance with sections 122 (2), 126 (1), 127 and 131 (1) of the AktG, section 1 (2) of the COVID-19 Act¹

In accordance with section 1 (2), sentence 1, (6) of the Law on Measures in Company, Cooperative, Association, Foundation and Condominium Law to Combat the Effects of the COVID-19 Pandemic (COVID-19 Act) (extended and amended by Art. 11 of the law of December 22, 2020, Federal Law Gazette I p. 3332), the Executive Board decided, with the approval of the Supervisory Board, that the Annual General Meeting 2021 will take place without the physical presence of the shareholders. The implementation of this year's general meeting as a virtual general meeting leads to modifications in the procedures of the general meeting as well as in the rights of the shareholders. The convening of the 2021 Annual General Meeting already contains information on the rights of shareholders.

The remarks hereinafter shall serve as additional explanation.

1. Motions to amend the agenda pursuant to section 122 (2) of the AktG

Shareholders whose combined shareholdings equal or exceed one-twentieth of the share capital (i.e. 9,500,000 shares) or represent a proportionate interest in the share capital of at least EUR 500,000 (i.e. 500,000 shares) ("Eligible Minority Shareholding") may request that items be placed on the agenda and announced. Requests must be sent in writing to

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and must be received no later than by midnight CEST (= 10.00 p.m. UTC) on 18 April 2021. Each new agenda item must be accompanied by supporting information or a draft resolution. Furthermore, the shareholders filing the motion must show that they have held the shares for at least 90 days before the date the motion is received and that they hold the shares until the Executive Board decides on the motion, with section 70 AktG being applicable when calculating the time for which shares have been held. The day on which the motion is received shall not be counted. Any move from a Sunday, Saturday or public holiday to a preceding or subsequent business day shall not be possible. Sections 187 to 193 of the German Civil Code (BGB) shall not be applied accordingly.

To the extent not already announced in the notice of meeting, amendments to the agenda that require

¹. This is a translation of the German original of the Information on Shareholder Rights (in accordance with sections 122 (2), 126 (1), 127, 131 (1) of the AktG) prepared for the convenience of English-speaking readers. For purposes of interpretation, the German text shall be authoritative and final.

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publication will be announced promptly upon receipt of the request in the Federal Gazette (*Bundesanzeiger*). Any such amendments will also be published online at www.deutsche-boerse.com/agm and communicated to shareholders in accordance with the statutory requirements.

These shareholder rights are based on the following provisions of the AktG:

Section 122 Calling a shareholders' meeting at the request of a minority (excerpt)

(1)¹A shareholders' meeting shall be called if shareholders whose combined shares amount to at least one twentieth of the share capital request such meeting in writing, stating the purpose and the reasons of such meeting; such request shall be addressed to the executive board.²The articles of incorporation may provide that the right to request a shareholders' meeting shall require another form and the holding of a lower share in the share capital.³Persons submitting a request must prove that they have held the shares for at least 90 days before the date the request is received and that they hold the shares until the executive board decides on the request.⁴Section 121 (7) shall be applied accordingly.

(2)¹In the same manner, shareholders whose combined shares amount to at least one twentieth of the share capital or represent a proportionate interest in the share capital of at least EUR 500,000 may request that items be placed on the agenda and be published.²Each new item must be accompanied by supporting information or a proposal for a resolution.³The request within the meaning of sentence 1 must be received by the company no later than 24 days, in the case of listed companies no later than 30 days, prior to the meeting, excluding the day of receipt.

Section 70 Calculation of the period of shareholding

¹If the exercise of rights arising from the share requires that the shareholder has been the holder of such share for a certain period of time, the right to demand transfer of title from a credit institution, a financial services institution or an enterprise operating under section 53 (1) sentence 1 or section 53b (1) sentence 1 or section 53b (7) of the German Banking Act (KWG) shall be deemed equivalent to ownership.²The period during which the share has been owned by a predecessor shall be attributed to the shareholder if he/she has acquired the share without consideration, from his/her trustee, as a universal successor, in connection with the winding up of a co-ownership or as a result of a transfer of assets pursuant to section 13 of the Insurance Supervision Act or section 14 of the Building Loan Associations Act.

Section 121 General (excerpt)

(7)¹For periods and deadlines counted backwards from the date of the meeting, the day of the meeting shall not be included in the calculation.²Any move from a Sunday, Saturday or public holiday to a preceding or subsequent business day shall not be possible.³Sections 187 to 193 of the German Civil Code (BGB) shall not be applied accordingly.⁴In the case of non-listed companies, the articles of incorporation may determine a different calculation of the period.

*Convenience Translation***Section 87 Principles for the remuneration of members of the Board of Management (excerpt)**

(4) The Annual General Meeting may, upon request, reduce the maximum remuneration determined in accordance with Section 87a paragraph 1 sentence 2 number 1.

Section 87 a Remuneration system of listed companies (excerpt)

(1) ¹The Supervisory Board of the listed company decides on a clear and comprehensible system for the remuneration of the members of the Board of Management. ²This remuneration system shall contain at least the following information, but only to the extent that they are actually provided for in relation to remuneration components:

1. the determination of a maximum remuneration of the members of the Board of Management (...)

2. Motions and nominations by shareholders in accordance with section 126 (1) and section 127 of the AktG

Pursuant to section 126 (1) of the AktG, shareholders may submit counter-motions against any proposal of the Executive Board and Supervisory Board on a particular agenda item. Motions by shareholders concerning the agenda within the meaning of section 126 (1) of the AktG must be sent along with supporting information to

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The Company will publish shareholder counter-motions that must be made available and which we have received at one of the aforementioned addresses by midnight CEST (= 10.00 p.m. UTC) on 4 May 2021 promptly upon receipt online at the above-mentioned Internet address. Any opinions expressed by management on the counter-motions will also be made available online at the above web address.

The Company may elect not to publish a counter-motion and its supporting information under certain circumstances set forth in section 126 (2) of the AktG, for example where the counter-motion would result in a resolution by the Annual General Meeting that is illegal or in violation of the Articles of Incorporation. Information in support of counter-motions need not be made available if the text exceeds 5,000 characters in total.

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Pursuant to section 127 of the AktG, the foregoing applies *mutatis mutandis* to shareholder nominations of Supervisory Board or auditor candidates, although election nominations need not be accompanied by supporting information. Except in the cases set forth in section 126 (2) of the AktG, nominations for election need not be published if the nomination does not contain the name, exercised profession and residential address of the nominee(s) and, in the case of nominations for election to the Supervisory Board, information on any positions held by such nominee(s) on other supervisory boards to be created by law. In the case of Supervisory Board elections, nominations should, but are not required to, contain information about positions held on comparable domestic and foreign supervisory bodies of commercial enterprises.

Pursuant to section 1 (2) sentence 3 of the COVID-19 Act, motions and nominations from shareholders that must be made available in accordance with sections 126 and 127 of the AktG are considered to have been submitted at the Annual General Meeting if the shareholder tabling the motion or making the nomination is duly identified and registered for the Annual General Meeting.

The relevant provisions of the AktG read as follows:

Section 126 Shareholder motions

(1)¹Motions by shareholders, including the shareholder's name, statement of grounds and any opinion expressed by management, shall be made available to the eligible persons specified in section 125 (1) to (3) under the conditions specified therein, provided the shareholder has submitted, at least 14 days prior to the meeting, a counter-motion (including statement of grounds) to a proposal by the executive board and the supervisory board on a specific agenda item to the address designated for this purpose in the invitation of meeting. ²The date of receipt shall not be counted. ³In the case of listed companies, the motion shall be made available online on the company's website. ⁴Section 125 (3) shall apply *mutatis mutandis*.

(2)¹Counter-motions and statements of grounds need not be made available:

1. to the extent making such information available would subject the executive board to criminal liability,
2. if the counter-motion would result in a resolution by the shareholders' meeting that would be illegal or in violation of the articles of incorporation,
3. if the statement of grounds contains statements which are manifestly false or misleading in material respects or which are defamatory,
4. if a shareholder counter-motion based on the same set of facts has already been made available to a shareholders' meeting of the company pursuant to section 125,
5. if the same shareholder counter-motion, including substantially the same statement of grounds, has already been made available pursuant to section 125 to at least two shareholders' meetings of the company within the past five years and less than one-twentieth of the share capital represented at those meetings voted in favour of such counter-motion,
6. if the shareholder indicates that he/she will not attend or be represented at the shareholders' meeting, or
7. if the shareholder has failed to put forward or have put forward on his/her behalf a counter-motion notified by such shareholder at two shareholders' meetings within the past two years.

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²The statement of grounds need not be made available if the text exceeds 5,000 characters in total.

(3) If several shareholders submit counter-motions in respect of the same subject matter to be resolved upon, the executive board may consolidate such counter-motions and the respective statement of grounds.

Section 127 Shareholder election nominations

¹Section 126 shall apply *mutatis mutandis* to shareholder nominations of supervisory board or auditor candidates. ²Such nominations need not include a statement of grounds. ³The executive board is also not required to make such nominations available if they do not contain the information referred to in section 124 (3) sentence 4 and section 125 (1) sentence 5. ⁴Regarding nominations made by shareholders for the election of supervisory board members of listed companies, to which the Co-Determination Act (*Mitbestimmungsgesetz*), the Coal, Iron and Steel Co-Determination Act (*Montan-Mitbestimmungsgesetz*) or the Co-Determination Amendment Act (*Mitbestimmungsergänzungsgesetz*) apply, the management board has to add the following information:

1. reference to the requirements pursuant to section 96 (2),
2. statement if there has been an objection to the overall fulfilment pursuant to section 96 (2) sentence 3 and
3. statement on how many seats in the supervisory board need to be occupied by women and men, respectively, in order to comply with the requirements pursuant to section 96 (2) sentence 1.

Section 124 Publication of requests for additions to the agenda; proposals for resolutions (excerpt)

(3) ⁴The proposal for the election of members of the supervisory board or auditors shall state their names, actual profession and place of residence.

Section 125 Communications to shareholders and supervisory board members (as amended for the 2020 annual general meeting) (excerpt)

(1)⁵In the case of listed companies, any proposal for the election of supervisory board members must be accompanied by details on the membership in other supervisory boards whose establishment is required by law; details on their membership in comparable domestic and foreign controlling bodies of business enterprises should also be provided.

(3) Every member of the supervisory board may request that the executive board send the same communication to him/her.

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The underlying regulation of the COVID-19 Act is:

Section 1 COVID-19 Act (excerpt)

(2) ³Motions or nominations by shareholders that are to be made accessible in accordance with Section 126 or Section 127 of the Stock Corporation Act are deemed to have been made at the meeting if the shareholder submitting the application or the nomination is properly legitimized and registered for the general meeting.

3. Right to information according to section 131 (1) AktG, right to ask questions according to section 1 (2) sentence 1 no. 3 COVID-19 Act and the opportunity for follow-up questions during the Annual General Meeting

Each shareholder and proxy attending the Annual General Meeting may request information on the Company's affairs to the extent necessary to make a proper evaluation of the agenda (see section 131 (1) of the AktG). The duty to provide information generally also extends to legal and business relations between the Company and its affiliates as well as the position of Deutsche Börse Group as a whole and that of the entities included in the consolidated financial statements of Deutsche Börse Aktiengesellschaft; in this case also, the information is provided only to the extent it is necessary to make a proper evaluation of the agenda. Requests for information at the Annual General Meeting should be made during discussion time.

The Executive Board may decide not to answer individual questions for the reasons set out in section 131 (3) of the AktG, for example because providing the information could, based on prudent business judgment, have a material adverse effect on the Company or one of its affiliates (e.g. no disclosure of business secrets).

Pursuant to section 17 (3) of the Articles of Incorporation, the meeting chairman is authorised to reasonably limit the time shareholders have to speak and ask questions, and may in particular at the beginning or during the course of the meeting set a reasonable timetable for the meeting overall, for specific agenda items or for specific questions or comments.

Since the ordinary general meeting on 19 May 2021 will be held as a virtual general meeting and a physical presence of the shareholders is excluded, the shareholders cannot request information at the location of the general meeting; Nor are the proxies appointed by the company available for this purpose. For this year's (virtual) Annual General Meeting, the right of shareholders to ask questions is based on the provisions of the COVID-19 Act. Shareholders will be given the right to ask questions by electronic communication (section 1 (2) sentence 1 no. 3 of the COVID-19 Act). The Executive Board, with the consent of the Supervisory Board, has decided that questions must be submitted by electronic communication no later than one day before the Annual General Meeting (section 1 (2) sentence 2, second half-sentence of the COVID-19 Act). That means that the questions must be received at the latest by midnight CEST (= 10.00 p.m. UTC) on 17 May 2021 using the password-protected online service at the Internet address

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Shareholders may access the online service by entering their shareholder number and personal

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identification number (PIN), which can be found in the documents sent to them together with the invitation to the Annual General Meeting.

The Executive Board decides at its due discretion how it answers questions (section 1 (2) sentence 2 first half-sentence of the COVID-19 Act).

In addition, on a voluntary basis, shareholders are given the opportunity to direct follow-up questions to the Company by means of electronic communication also during the Annual General Meeting. These follow-up questions can only be asked in response to questions that the shareholder himself submitted in advance, taking into account the procedure described above. This opportunity for follow-up questions is also only available via the password-protected online service, from the beginning of the Annual General Meeting to the point in time that the chairman of the meeting determines at his own discretion. The opportunity to ask follow-up questions during the Annual General Meeting will probably be available hereafter until the completion of the answering of questions submitted no later than one day before the Annual General Meeting. There is no entitlement to an answer for such follow-up questions submitted during the Annual General Meeting.

The underlying provisions of this right to ask questions by electronic communication read as follows:

Section 131 AktG Shareholder's right to information

(1)¹Each shareholder shall, upon request, be provided with information at the shareholders' meeting by the executive board regarding the company's affairs, to the extent that such information is necessary to permit a proper evaluation of the relevant item on the agenda. ²The duty to provide information shall also extend to the company's legal and business relations with affiliates. ³If a company makes use of the simplified procedure pursuant to section 266 (1) sentence 3, section 276 or section 288 of the German Commercial Code (Handelsgesetzbuch – HGB), shareholders may request that annual financial statements be presented to them at the shareholders' meeting resolving thereon in the form they would take without these simplifications. ⁴The duty of the executive board of a parent company (section 290 (1), (2) of the HGB) to provide information at the shareholders' meeting at which the consolidated financial statements and the group management report are presented also extend to the position of 7 Convenience Translation the group and that of the affiliates included in the consolidated financial statements.

(2)¹The information provided shall comply with the principles of conscientious and accurate reporting. ²The articles of incorporation or the rules of procedure pursuant to section 129 may authorise the chairman of the meeting to reasonably limit the shareholders' time to speak and ask questions and stipulate details in this regard.

(3)¹The executive board may refuse to provide information

1. to the extent that providing such information, based on prudent business judgement, is likely to have a material adverse effect on the company or one of its affiliates;
2. to the extent that such information relates to carrying amounts recognized for tax purposes or the amount of individual taxes;
3. concerning the difference between the carrying amounts recognized for items on the annual balance sheet and, if applicable, the higher value of such items, unless the shareholders'

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- meeting formally adopts the annual financial statements;
4. concerning the accounting and valuation methods to the extent the information provided in the notes to the annual financial statements is adequate to provide a true and fair view of the company's financial position, financial performance and profit or loss within the meaning of section 264 (2) of the HGB; the foregoing shall not apply if the shareholders' meeting formally adopts the annual financial statements;
 5. to the extent the provision of information would subject the executive board to criminal liability;
 6. to the extent, in the case of credit institutions or financial services institutions, information need not be provided on accounting policies and amounts offset in the annual financial statements, the management report, the consolidated financial statements or the group management report;
 7. to the extent the information is continuously available online on the company's website for a minimum of seven days prior to the commencement of the shareholders' meeting as well as during the meeting.

²The provision of information may not be refused for any other reasons.

(4) ¹If shareholders receive, in their capacity as shareholders, information outside the shareholders' meeting, such information shall be provided to any other shareholder at the shareholders' meeting upon request, even if such information is not necessary to make a proper evaluation of the relevant item on the agenda. ²The executive board may not refuse to provide such information based on (3) sentence 1, nos. 1 to 4. ³Sentences 1 and 2 shall not apply where a subsidiary (section 290 (1), (2) of the HGB), a joint venture (section 310 (1) of the HGB) or an associated enterprise (section 311 (1) of the HGB) provides information to a parent company (section 290 (1), (2) of the HGB) for purposes of including the company in the consolidated financial statements of the parent company and the information is required for this purpose.

(5) Shareholders who have been denied information may request that their questions and the reason for which the information was denied be recorded in the minutes of the meeting.

Section 17 of the Articles of Incorporation of the Company, Chairman, Broadcast of the Shareholders' Meeting (excerpt)

(3) The chair of the Annual General Meeting is authorized to limit the time in which shareholders are entitled to make statements and ask questions. In particular, he/she is authorized, either at the beginning or during the course of the Annual General Meeting, to set an appropriate period of time for the entire Annual General Meeting, for an individual agenda item or for individual statements or questions.

Section 1 COVID-19 Act (excerpt)

(2)¹The Executive Board may decide that the meeting shall be held as a virtual general meeting without the physical presence of the shareholders or their representatives, provided that:

(...)

3. shareholders are given the right to ask questions by electronic communication,

(...)

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²The Executive Board, at its free and dutiful discretion, decides how to answer questions; it may also provide that questions must be submitted by electronic communication no later than two days before the meeting.

4. Opportunity to submit comments for publication prior to the Annual General Meeting

Holding the Annual General Meeting in virtual form without the physical presence of the shareholders or their proxies prevents them from commenting on the agenda at the Annual General Meeting. Therefore, the Company is giving shareholders or their proxies the opportunity to comment on the agenda in advance – also by means of a video message – in a move that goes above and beyond the requirements of the COVID-19 Act.

Shareholders who are entered in the share register and have registered to participate at the Annual General Meeting in due time, or their proxies, have the opportunity to submit comments concerning the agenda either in writing or as a video message in German to the Company in electronic form using the password-protected online service available at the following Internet address

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by midnight CEST (= 10.00 p.m. UTC) on 14 May 2021. Comments in writing should not exceed 10,000 characters in length. The duration of video messages should not exceed three minutes. Only those video messages are permitted which, in terms of their form, correspond to a speech at an Annual General Meeting held with physical participation. Details of the technical and legal requirements for submitting comments either in writing or as video messages can be found in the online service available at

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It is intended to publish the comments in writing and video messages on the Company's website at www.deutsche-boerse.com/agm before the Annual General Meeting. The Company reserves the right to additionally show the video messages received as part of the Annual General Meeting. Please note that there is no legal claim to have a comment in writing or a video message published. By submitting a comment, the shareholder or proxy consents to such video message being published on the above-mentioned website (www.deutsche-boerse.com/agm) together with their name.

The Company reserves the right to not publish in particular comments in writing or video messages that contain abusive, offensive, criminal, clearly inaccurate or misleading content, or that bear no relation to the agenda of the Annual General Meeting, or that are not in German. The same applies to comments in writing that exceed 10,000 characters in length and to video messages that exceed three minutes in length or those that do not meet the technical requirements]. The Company will not publish more than either one comment in writing or one video message per shareholder.

Please note that counter-motions, nominations or questions that are contained in a comment in writing or a video message will not be taken into consideration. Counter-motions, nominations and questions may only be submitted in the described manner and in compliance with the described requirements and deadlines.

5. Right to object

Shareholders who have exercised their voting rights are given the opportunity to object to resolutions of the General Meeting during the General Meeting using the password-protected online service.

The underlying legal provision reads as follows:

Section 1 COVID-19 Act (excerpt)

(2) ¹The Executive Board can decide that the meeting is held as a virtual general meeting without the physical presence of the shareholders or their authorized representatives, provided that (...)

4. the shareholders who have exercised their voting rights according to number 2 are given the opportunity to object to a resolution of the general meeting, in deviation from section 245 number 1 of the Stock Corporation Act, waiving the requirement to appear at the general meeting.

Section 245 AktG Right to object (excerpt)

The right to object is granted to

1. every shareholder who appeared at the general meeting if he had already acquired the shares before the agenda was announced and had declared his objection to the resolution to be recorded;

Confirmation of the receipt of votes in accordance with section 118 (1) sentence 3 to 5, (2) sentence 2 AktG and/or confirmation of the recording and counting of votes in accordance with section 129 (5) AktG

Pursuant to section 118 (1) sentence 3, (2) sentence 2 AktG, the Company must electronically confirm receipt of the votes cast electronically to the party exercising their right to vote by means of electronic communication in accordance with the requirements set out in Article 7 (1) and Article 9 (5) subparagraph 1 of the Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2018/1212 of 3 September 2018 laying down minimum requirements implementing the provisions of Directive 2007/36/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards shareholder identification, the transmission of information and the facilitation of the exercise of shareholders rights ("Implementing Regulation (EU) 2018/1212"). If the confirmation is issued to an intermediary, the latter must immediately forward this confirmation to the shareholder in accordance with section 118 (1) sentence 4 AktG. Furthermore, pursuant to Section 129 (5) sentence 1 AktG, the party casting the vote may request that the Company confirms whether and how his/her vote was recorded and counted within one month of the day of the general meeting, i.e. by June 21, 2021. The Company must issue this confirmation pursuant to the requirements set out in Article 7 (2) and Article 9 (5) subparagraph 2 of the Implementing Regulation (EU) 2018/1212. If the confirmation is issued to an intermediary, the latter must immediately forward this confirmation to the shareholder in accordance with section 129 (5) sentence 3 AktG.

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Both the receipt of votes and the confirmation of the recording and counting of the votes can be obtained electronically by our shareholders using the password-protected online service at the following Internet address

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The legal provisions read as follows:

Section 118 AktG General information (excerpt)

(1) ¹The shareholders exercise their rights in the affairs of the Company at the General Meeting, unless the law provides otherwise. ²The Articles of Association may provide or authorize the executive board to provide that the shareholders may participate in the General Meeting without being present at its venue and without an authorized representative and may exercise all or some of their rights in whole or in part by means of electronic communication. ³If voting rights are exercised electronically, receipt of the electronically cast vote must be confirmed electronically by the Company to the party exercising their right to vote in accordance with the requirements set out in Article 7 (1) and Article 9 (5), subparagraph 1 of Implementing Regulation (EU) 2018/1212. ⁴If the confirmation is issued to an intermediary, the latter shall immediately forward the confirmation to the shareholder. ⁵Section 67a (2) sentence 1 and (3) shall apply *mutatis mutandis*.

(2) ¹The Articles of Association may provide or authorize the executive board to provide that shareholders may cast their votes in writing or by means of electronic communication (postal vote) even without participating in the meeting. ²Paragraph 1 sentences 3 to 5 shall apply *mutatis mutandis*.

Section 129 AktG Rules of procedure; list of attendees; proof of the vote count (excerpt)

(5) ¹Within one month of the day of the general meeting the party exercising their right to vote can request confirmation from the company as to whether and how his or her vote was counted. ²The company must issue the confirmation in accordance with the requirements set out in Article 7 (2) and Article 9 (5) subparagraph 2 of Implementing Regulation (EU) 2018/1212. ³If the confirmation is issued to an intermediary, the latter must immediately forward this confirmation to the shareholder. ⁴Section 67a (2) sentence 1 and (3) apply *mutatis mutandis*.

Article 7 Implementing Regulation (EU) 2018/1212 Format of confirmation of the receipt and recording and counting of votes

(1) The minimum types of information and data elements that a confirmation of the receipt of votes cast electronically as provided for in the first subparagraph of Article 3c (2) of Directive 2007/36/EC comprises shall be as set out in Table 6 of the Annex.

(2) The minimum types of information and data elements that a confirmation of recording and counting of votes by the issuer to the shareholder or third party nominated by the shareholder as provided for in the second subparagraph of Article 3c (2) of Directive 2007/36/EC comprises shall be as set out in Table 7 of the Annex.

*Convenience Translation***Article 9 Implementing Regulation (EU) 2018/1212 Deadlines to be complied with by issuers and intermediaries in corporate events and in shareholder identification processes (excerpt)**

(5) ¹The confirmation of the receipt of votes cast electronically as provided for in Article 7 (1) shall be provided to the person that cast the vote immediately after the cast of the votes. ²The confirmation of recording and counting of votes as provided for in Article 7 (2) shall be provided by the issuer in a timely manner and no later than 15 days after the request or general meeting, whichever occurs later, unless the information is already available.

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