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# News Release

## **UBS announces mandatory redemption of ETRACS Monthly Pay 2xLeveraged Closed-End Fund ETN due December 10, 2043 and ETRACS Monthly Pay 2xLeveraged Closed-End Fund ETN Series B due December 10, 2043**

New York, March 19, 2020 – UBS Investment Bank today announced that all outstanding notes of the ETRACS Monthly Pay 2xLeveraged Closed-End Fund ETN due December 10, 2043 (Ticker: CEFL) (the "Series A Securities") and the ETRACS Monthly Pay 2xLeveraged Closed-End Fund ETN Series B due December 10, 2043 (Ticker: CEFZ) (the "Series B Securities", and together with the Series A Securities, "the Securities") will be mandatorily redeemed in accordance with the terms of the respective Securities as a result of the occurrence of an Acceleration Upon Minimum Indicative Value on March 18, 2020 (the "Acceleration Date"), triggered as a result of the respective indicative values of the Securities being less than \$5.00 on the Acceleration Date.

As disclosed in more detail in the prospectus supplements relating to the respective Securities, all outstanding notes will be automatically accelerated and redeemed and holders will be entitled to receive the "Acceleration Amount" calculated in accordance with the terms of the respective Securities. The "Acceleration Measurement Period" for determining the Acceleration Amount for the respective Securities will be the five Trading Days from and including the Acceleration Date. Payment of the Acceleration Amounts will be made on the Acceleration Settlement Date, which is expected to be March 27, 2020.

For more information regarding the mandatory redemption, including how the Acceleration Amounts will be determined, see the product supplements and the pricing supplements relating to each of the Securities. The product supplements and pricing supplements for the Securities can be accessed on EDGAR, the SEC website, at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov). For the Series A Securities, the pricing supplement is also available [here](#) and the product supplement is also available [here](#). For the Series B Securities, the pricing supplement is also available [here](#) and the product supplement is available [here](#).

Investors who purchase the Securities at any time prior to delisting for an amount that is greater than the applicable Acceleration Amount that they will receive on the Acceleration Settlement Date (including paying any premium to such Acceleration Amounts, once these amounts have been determined) will suffer a loss on their investment. Furthermore, investors who sell the Securities at any time prior to delisting for an amount that is less than the applicable Acceleration Amount they would have received on the Acceleration Settlement Date (including selling at any discount to such Acceleration Amounts, once these amounts have been determined) will also suffer a loss. In either case, such losses could be significant. Investors will not receive any other compensation or amount for the loss of the investment opportunity of holding the Securities.

The Series A Securities are one of the series of UBS AG ETRACS Series A ETNs subject to the ongoing voluntary exchange offers commenced by UBS AG on December 9, 2019 pursuant to a registration statement on Form F-4 (File No. 333-234705). As a result of the mandatory redemption of the Series A Securities and Series B Securities described above, the exchange offer with respect to the Series A Securities will be terminated effective as of March 18, 2020 and holders of Series A Securities will no longer be able to participate in the exchange offer with respect to such securities. Series A Securities validly tendered between 5:00 p.m., New York City time on March 17, 2020 and 5:00p.m., New York City time on March 18, 2020 will be promptly returned to holders and will not

be exchanged for Series B Securities. Holders of such Series A Securities will receive the Acceleration Amount on the Acceleration Date, as described above. Series A Securities validly tendered between 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on March 3, 2020 and 4:59 p.m., New York City time, on March 17, 2020 were accepted for exchange by UBS AG in accordance with the terms of the exchange offer and the corresponding Series B Securities will be issued on March 19, 2020. Such Series B Securities are also subject to the mandatory redemption and holders of such Series B Securities will receive the Acceleration Amount on the Acceleration Date.

The exchange offers with respect to the other UBS AG ETRACS Series A ETNs remain open in accordance with the terms described in the Prospectus dated December 9, 2019 (the "Exchange Offers Prospectus"). The Exchange Offers Prospectus filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") in relation to the exchange offers can be accessed on EDGAR, the SEC website, at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov). It is also available [here](#).

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UBS AG has filed registration statements (including prospectuses and supplements thereto) with the Securities and Exchange Commission, or SEC, for the offerings of securities to which this communication relates. Before you invest, you should read the relevant prospectuses, along with the applicable pricing supplements and product supplements to understand fully the terms of the securities and other considerations that are important in making a decision about investing in the ETRACS. The applicable offering documents for each ETRACS may be obtained by clicking on the links above. You may also get these documents without cost by visiting EDGAR on the SEC website at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov). The securities related to the offerings are not deposit liabilities and are not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other governmental agency of the United States, Switzerland or any other jurisdiction.

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