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# News Release

# UBS announces mandatory redemption of ETRACS Monthly Pay 2xLeveraged MSCI US REIT Index ETN due May 5, 2045

New York, March 19, 2020 – UBS Investment Bank today announced that all outstanding notes of the Monthly Pay 2xLeveraged MSCI US REIT Index due May 5, 2045 (Ticker: LRET) (the "Securities") will be mandatorily redeemed in accordance with the terms of the 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 intraday indicative value of the Securities on the Acceleration Date decreasing by more than 60% in value from the closing indicative value of the Securities on the previous Monthly Valuation Date.

As disclosed in more detail in the pricing supplement and product supplement relating to the 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 Securities. The "Acceleration Measurement Period" for determining the Acceleration Amount will be the five Trading Days from and including the Acceleration Date. Payment of the Acceleration Amount 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 Amount will be determined, see the pricing supplement and product supplement relating to the Securities. The pricing supplement and product supplement for the Securities can be accessed on EDGAR, the SEC website, at <a href="https://www.sec.gov">www.sec.gov</a>, and the pricing supplement is also available <a href="here">here</a> and the product supplement is also available <a href="here">here</a>.

Investors who purchase the Securities at any time prior to delisting for an amount that is greater than the Acceleration Amount that they will receive on the Acceleration Settlement Date (including paying any premium to the Acceleration Amount, once this amount has 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 Acceleration Amount they would have received on the Acceleration Settlement Date (including selling at any discount to the Acceleration Amount, once this amount has 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.

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