



Trust Management (Suntec) Limited

Suntec Real Estate Investment Trust
("Suntec REIT")



TAX RULING IN RESPECT OF THE S\$150,000,000 FIXED RATE SUBORDINATED PERPETUAL SECURITIES (THE "SECURITIES") ISSUED PURSUANT TO THE U.S.\$2,000,000,000 EURO MEDIUM TERM SECURITIES PROGRAMME

Reference is made to (i) the announcement by ARA Trust Management (Suntec) Limited (the "**Manager**"), as manager of Suntec Real Estate Investment Trust ("**Suntec REIT**") dated 15 June 2021 in relation to the Securities and (ii) the pricing supplement dated 7 June 2021 issued by HSBC Institutional Trust Services (Singapore) Limited (in its capacity as trustee of Suntec REIT) in connection with the offering of the Securities (the "**Pricing Supplement**"). Unless otherwise defined herein, the terms used in this announcement and which are defined in the terms and conditions of the Securities (the "**Conditions**") shall bear the same meanings as ascribed to them in the Conditions.

In the Pricing Supplement, reference was made to an application to the Inland Revenue Authority of Singapore ("**IRAS**") for a ruling that holders of the Securities may enjoy the tax concessions available for qualifying debt securities ("**QDS**"), provided that the relevant conditions are met.

The Manager wishes to announce that, based on such ruling which has been obtained from the IRAS and based on the Return on Debt Securities in respect of the Securities filed with the Monetary Authority of Singapore, the Securities would be regarded as "debt securities" for the purpose of Section 43N(4) of the Income Tax Act, Chapter 134 of Singapore and Regulation 2 of the Income Tax (Qualifying Debt Securities) Regulations and accordingly, the Distributions due and payable on the Securities (including Optional Distributions) will be regarded as interest payable on indebtedness. Correspondingly, the Securities should qualify as QDS and holders of the Securities should therefore be able to enjoy the tax concessions under the QDS scheme subject to the conditions set out in the section "Taxation - Singapore Taxation" of the Offering Circular dated 15 October 2020.

By Order of the Board

ARA Trust Management (Suntec) Limited
(as manager of Suntec Real Estate Investment Trust)
(Company registration no. 200410976R)

Chong Kee Hiong
Director
17 September 2021

ABOUT SUNTEC REIT

Listed on 9 December 2004, Suntec REIT holds properties in Suntec City, Singapore's largest integrated commercial development (including one of Singapore's largest shopping Mall), a 66.3% interest in Suntec Singapore Convention & Exhibition Centre, a one-third interest in One Raffles Quay and a one-third interest in Marina Bay Financial Centre Towers 1 and 2 and the Marina Bay Link Mall. Suntec REIT holds a 100% interest in a commercial building located at 177 Pacific Highway, Sydney, a 100% interest in a commercial building located at 21 Harris Street, Pyrmont, Sydney, a 50.0% interest in Southgate Complex, Melbourne, a 50.0% interest in a commercial building located at Olderfleet 477 Collins Street, Melbourne and a 100% interest in a commercial building located at 55 Currie Street, Adelaide, Australia. Suntec REIT also holds a 50.0% interest in Nova Properties and a 100% interest in The Minster Building both located in London, United Kingdom. Its aim is to invest in income-producing real estate which is primarily used for office and/or retail purposes. Suntec REIT is managed by an external manager, ARA Trust Management (Suntec) Limited. For more details, please visit www.suntecreit.com.

ABOUT ARA TRUST MANAGEMENT (SUNTEC) LIMITED

Suntec REIT is managed by ARA Trust Management (Suntec) Limited, a wholly-owned subsidiary of ARA Asset Management Limited (“ARA”).

ARA is the largest real assets manager in Asia Pacific with approximately US\$95 billion¹ in gross assets under management by the Group and its associates. ARA Group operates a global platform with a focus on APAC, managing public and private investment funds that invest across traditional and New Economy real estate assets spanning office, logistics, retail, residential, hospitality, and data centers, as well as private real estate credit and infrastructure. ARA’s vertically integrated business includes development and value-add asset management capabilities, an in-house capital raising team, and property management expertise in local markets where ARA invests and manages assets. With a resolute focus on creating sustainable value, ARA manages funds on behalf of many of the world’s largest pension funds, sovereign wealth funds and financial institutions.

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The value of Units and the income derived from them may fall as well as rise. Units are not obligations of, deposits in, or guaranteed by, the Manager or any of its affiliates. An investment in Units is subject to investment risks, including the possible loss of the principal amount invested. Investors have no right to request the Manager to redeem their Units while the Units are listed. It is intended that Unitholders may only deal in their Units through trading on the SGX-ST. Listing of the Units on the SGX-ST does not guarantee a liquid market for the Units. The past performance of Suntec REIT is not necessarily indicative of the future performance of Suntec REIT.

¹ Includes assets under management by ARA Asset Management Limited and the Group of companies (“ARA Group”) and its Associates as at 30 June 2021, adjusted for LOGOS’ acquisition of Moorebank Logistics Park announced on 5 July 2021.