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Company Announcements Office ASX Limited

## **DISTRIBUTION ANNOUNCEMENT**

United States, New York time, 23 December 2009

A distribution has been declared in US dollars ("US\$") in respect of the following iShares® funds quoted on ASX:

Issuer	Fund	ASX Code	Distribution per share (CDI)
iShares Trust	iShares S&P MidCap 400	IJH	US\$ 0.336519
iShares Trust	iShares S&P SmallCap 600	IJR	US\$ 0.169549
iShares Trust	iShares S&P 500	IVV	US\$ 0.597913

Details of the Australian distribution timetable for the above fund are as follows:

Event	Date
Announcement Date	24 December 2009
Ex date	29 December 2009
Record Date	31 December 2009
FX Date	13 January 2010
Payment Date	19 January 2010

To ensure prompt receipt of the dividend payment, investors holding CDIs as of the Record Date need to have provided their bank account details to the share registrar before the Record Date. If this has not been done, please register online in the 'Investor Centre' via the link <a href="https://www-au.computershare.com/investor">https://www-au.computershare.com/investor</a> or call the number below and your dividend payment will be credited into your nominated account shortly after the Payment Date.

## **Important Information**

You must be a registered CDI holder in an iShares fund to which a distribution is payable as of the Record Date to receive a distribution. The distribution rate is announced in US\$. Investors

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holding CHESS Depositary Interests ("CDIs") in respect of shares in the above iShares fund will receive their entitled distribution payment in Australian dollars (A\$).

Before investing in an iShares fund, you should carefully consider the appropriateness of such products to your circumstances, read the applicable Australian prospectus and the ASX announcements relating to the iShares fund, and consult an investment adviser. For more information about iShares funds (including Australian prospectuses) go to <u>iShares.com.au</u> or call 1300-iShares (1300 474 2737).

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