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#### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

22 June 2020

#### **RECOMMENDED CASH OFFER**

#### by

# PORT & FREE ZONE WORLD FZE

#### (a wholly owned subsidiary of Dubai World)

for

#### **DP WORLD PLC**

#### Scheme of arrangement becomes effective

On 23 March 2020, DP World PLC ("**DP World**") published a scheme circular (the "**Scheme Circular**") in connection with the recommended cash offer (the "**Offer**") by Port & Free Zone World FZE ("**PFZW**") for the entire issued and to be issued ordinary share capital of DP World, other than the DP World Shares already owned by or on behalf of the PFZW Group to be implemented by means of a scheme of arrangement (the "**Scheme**"). On Wednesday 17 June 2020, DP World announced that the Tribunal had sanctioned the Scheme.

A duly certified copy of the Tribunal Order was delivered to the Registrar today and the Effective Date of the Scheme is therefore today, Monday 22 June 2020. Accordingly, DP World is pleased to announce that the Scheme has now become effective.

Set out below is the final timetable of remaining principal events for the implementation of the Scheme. The times and dates of the remaining principal events are the same as those previously announced by DP World on Wednesday 17 June 2020.

# FINAL TIMETABLE OF REMAINING PRINCIPAL EVENTS FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE SCHEME

Event	Time/date <sup>(1)</sup>
Scheme Record Time	3.00 p.m. on Monday 22 June 2020
Effective Date of the Scheme	Monday 22 June 2020
Cancellation of listing of DP World Shares	5.00 p.m. on Tuesday 23 June 2020
Latest date for payment of Cash Consideration by PFZW to NDGL	Monday 6 July 2020
Latest date by which Nasdaq Dubai is obliged to distribute the Cash Consideration paid to NDGL to the relevant DP World Beneficial Shareholders who are on the CSD Register (i.e. who have a	Thursday 9 July 2020

NIN Account) as at the Scheme Record Time and

who have registered electronic fund transfer details with Nasdaq Dubai prior to the Effective Date in accordance with the Scheme Circular

Notes:

(1) All times shown are UAE times.

Capitalised terms used but not defined in this announcement have the meaning given to them in Scheme Circular.

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Further details in relation to Overseas Shareholders are contained in the Scheme Circular.

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