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## **ASX ANNOUNCEMENT** [PLEASE CROSS RELEASE]

## ANNOUNCEMENT BY LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE GROUP REGARDING RUSSELL **INVESTMENTS**

RUSSELL HIGH DIVIDEND AUSTRALIAN SHARES ETF (RDV) **RUSSELL AUSTRALIAN VALUE ETF (RVL) RUSSELL AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT BOND ETF (RGB)** RUSSELL AUSTRALIAN SEMI-GOVERNMENT BOND ETF (RSM) RUSSELL AUSTRALIAN SELECT CORPORATE BOND ETF (RCB)

("Russell ETFs")

The responsible entity of the Russell ETFs is Russell Investment Management Ltd which is a part of Russell Investments.

On 3 December 2014, LSEG announced the completion of its acquisition of Russell Investments, making Russell a wholly owned subsidiary.

Further details are in the attached LSEG announcement.

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For Immediate Release

# LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE GROUP PLC

### **COMPLETION OF ACQUISITION**

London Stock Exchange Group plc ("LSEG" or the "Group") is pleased to announce that following satisfactory completion of all outstanding conditions, the Group has today completed the acquisition of Frank Russell Company ("Russell").

As previously announced, the comprehensive review of Russell's investment management business is making good progress and is on track to be completed early in 2015.

# Commenting on the completion of the acquisition of Russell, Xavier Rolet, Chief Executive of LSEG said:

"Today marks a significant step for the Group. Russell significantly enhances LSEG's presence in the US, the world's largest global financial services market, further expanding our global footprint and diversifying our customer and product base. We are delighted today to welcome Russell to the Group, and we are looking forward to working with new colleagues, new customers and new partners around the world".

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