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#### **National World plc**

("National World" or the "Company")

#### Further issue of loan notes

National World (LSE: NWOR) is pleased to announce that, further to its acquisition of JPI Media Publishing Limited and its subsidiaries ("JPI Group") from JPI Media Limited for £10.2 million, the Company has issued a further £5.7 million of loan notes. The loan notes have been issued on the same terms as those issued on 31 December 2020.

Daniel Cammiade, who was appointed as a non-executive director of the Company on 31 December 2020, has subscribed for £50,000 of loan notes.

#### Financing update

National World has now issued loan notes totalling £14.1 million. Depending on investor demand, the Company may choose to issue a further £5.9 million of loan notes at the end of January 2021, taking its total issuance to £20.0 million.

If all of the £14.1 million of loan notes issued to date were converted into new ordinary shares of nominal value 0.1 pence in the capital of the Company ("Ordinary Shares") on 30 April 2021 such conversions would result in the issue of a further 145.3 million Ordinary Shares representing 72.9% of the Company's share capital as enlarged by the conversion of such loan notes.

## **Trading in the Ordinary Shares**

As announced on 31 December 2020, trading in the Ordinary Shares has been suspended since 2 December 2019. For trading to resume, the Company will be required to publish a prospectus, prepared in accordance with the Prospectus Regulation Rules of the Financial Conduct Authority (the "FCA"), and setting out, *inter alia*, information on the JPI Group, the loan notes and any further issue of Ordinary Shares.

Following publication of a prospectus, applications will be made for the Ordinary Shares to be admitted to listing on the standard segment of the Official List and to trading on the main market for listed securities of London Stock Exchange plc (the "London Stock Exchange").

The Company anticipates that, subject to the regulatory approval, it will publish a prospectus and that trading in Ordinary Shares will

resume in April 2021.

#### General meeting

The Company intends to convene a general meeting prior to the publication of a prospectus to pass resolutions to approve:

- the issue of Ordinary Shares to the loan note holders on conversion of the loan notes; and
- the issue of further Ordinary Shares to fund the Company's strategy.

#### Updated timetable

#### March 2021

- publication of a shareholder circular and notice of general meeting

#### April 2021

- general meeting of the Company
- publication of a prospectus
- re-admission of the Ordinary Shares to trading

For the purposes of MAR and Article 2 of Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2016/1055, the person responsible for arranging for the release of this announcement on behalf of National World is Vijay Vaghela, Chief Operating Officer.

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