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National World plc

("National World" or the "Company")

Further issues of loan notes

National World (LSE: NWOR) is pleased to announce that, further to its announcement on 21 January 2021, it has issued a further £5.9 million of convertible loan notes on the same terms as those issued on 31 December 2020 and 21 January 2021.

Financing update

The further issue of £5.9 million of convertible loan notes reflects strong investor demand and National World has now issued £20.0 million of convertible loan notes in aggregate, the maximum allowed under the convertible loan note documentation.

If all £20.0 million of the convertible loan notes were converted into new ordinary shares of nominal value 0.1 pence each in the capital of the Company ("Ordinary Shares") on 30 April 2021, such conversions would result in the issue of a further 205 million Ordinary Shares representing 79% of the Company's share capital as enlarged by the conversion of such 10% convertible 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 and the convertible loan notes.

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 at the end 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.

Expected timetable

March 2021

- posting of notice of general meeting of the Company

April 2021

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

For the purposes of UK MAR, 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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