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Date: March 03, 2021

Subject: Waddell & Reed Financial, Inc. – Anticipated Cash Settlement
Option Symbol: WDR
Date: ???

On March 23, 2021, Shareholders of Waddell & Reed Financial, Inc. (WDR) will vote concerning the proposed merger with Merry Merger Sub, Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Macquarie Management Holdings, Inc. If the merger is approved and consummated, each existing WDR Class A Common Share will be converted into the right to receive \$25.00 net cash per share.

Contract Adjustment

Date: Effective the opening of the business day after the merger is consummated.
Contract adjustment is expected to occur in the middle of 2021.

New Deliverable
Per Contract: \$2,500.00 Cash (\$25.00 x 100)

Settlement in WDR options will take place through OCC's cash settlement system. Settlement will be accomplished by payment of the difference between the extended strike amount and the cash deliverable.

Acceleration of Expirations

Pursuant to OCC Rule 807, equity stock option contracts whose deliverables are adjusted to call for cash-only delivery will be subject to **an acceleration of the expiration dates for outstanding option series** (See OCC Information Memo 23988).

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ALL CLEARING MEMBERS ARE REQUESTED TO IMMEDIATELY ADVISE ALL BRANCH OFFICES AND CORRESPONDENTS ON THE ABOVE.

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