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Date: December 07, 2021

Subject: Defiance Nasdaq Junior Biotechnology ETF - Liquidation/Cash

Settlement/Acceleration of Expirations

Option Symbol: IBBJ Date: 12/03/2021

On October 22, 2021, ETF Series Solutions announced that it will terminate and subsequently liquidate the Defiance Nasdaq Junior Biotechnology ETF (IBBJ) ("Fund") after the close of business on December 3, 2021 (the "Liquidation Date"). IBBJ shares are listed on the Nasdaq Stock Market, LLC.

The Fund will no longer accept orders for new creation units after the close of business on the business day prior to the Liquidation Date, and trading in shares of the Fund will be halted prior to market open on the Liquidation Date.

On or about the Liquidation Date, the Fund will liquidate its assets and distribute cash pro rata to all remaining shareholders. Proceeds of the liquidation will be sent to shareholders promptly after the Liquidation Date.

The per share liquidation amount has been determined to be \$29.92811516 Cash per IBBJ share.

## **Contract Adjustment**

The option symbol IBBJ will not change.

Date: December 3, 2021

New Deliverable

Per Contract: \$2,992.81 Cash (\$29.92811516 x 100)

IBBJ options, which were subject to delayed settlement from December 3, 2021 through December 6, 2021, are no longer subject to delayed settlement, effective December 7, 2021.

Settlement in IBBJ 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 cashonly delivery will be subject to an acceleration of the expiration dates for outstanding option series. (See OCC Information Memo 23707) Additionally, the exercise by exception (ex by ex) threshold for expiring series will be \$.01 in all account types.

All series of Defiance Nasdaq Junior Biotechnology ETF options whose expiration dates are after 12-17-2021 will have their expiration dates advanced to 12-17-2021. Expiration dates occurring before 12-17-2021 (e.g., Flex options) will remain unchanged.

All Defiance Nasdaq Junior Biotechnology ETF options will utilize a \$.01 exercise threshold.

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Existing Expiration: All months New expiration date: 12-17-2021

Existing American-style Defiance Nasdaq Junior Biotechnology ETF options remain exercisable at the option of the holder prior to their expiration. Exercised options will continue to settle in two business days.

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