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Notice to Singapore Shareholders of Columbia Threadneedle Specialist Funds (UK) ICVC
- CT Global Extended Alpha Fund

This notice is important and requires your immediate attention. If you are in any doubt about the contents of this notice, you should consult your stockbroker, bank manager, solicitor, accountant or other professional adviser. Columbia Threadneedle Specialist Funds (UK) ICVC (the "Fund") accepts full responsibility for the accuracy of the information contained in this notice and confirm, having made all reasonable enquiries, that to the best of their knowledge and belief there are no other facts the omission of which would make any statement misleading.

Dear Singapore shareholders,

Withdrawal of Singapore recognition of Columbia Threadneedle Specialist Funds (UK) ICVC - CT Global Extended Alpha Fund (the "Sub-Fund")

I Background

The Sub-Fund is currently recognised by the Monetary Authority of Singapore (the "MAS") as a collective investment scheme for retail offer in Singapore pursuant to section 287(1) of the Securities and Futures Act 2001 of Singapore (the "SFA"). After extensive consideration of the current markets and the strategic positioning of the Fund, Threadneedle Investment Services Limited (the "Authorised Corporate Director" or "ACD") intends to apply to the MAS to withdraw the recognition of the Sub-Fund with effect from 15 April 2024 (the "Effective Date"), subject to regulatory approval from the MAS.

II Consequences of withdrawal of recognition of the Sub-Fund

The ACD will no longer market the Sub-Fund to the public in Singapore with effect from the Effective Date. Upon withdrawal of recognition of the Sub-Fund on the Effective Date, it will cease to be recognised by the MAS and will no longer be subject to the regulatory requirements applicable to recognised funds in Singapore. The Sub-Fund will not be available for public distribution in Singapore after the withdrawal of recognition. From the Effective Date onwards, any Singapore offering document specific to the Sub-Fund including product highlights sheets, fact sheets and marketing materials that are currently in your possession which may be outdated are for your personal use only and should not be deemed to be an offer

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or continued offer of shares in the Sub-Fund. Apart from the withdrawal of recognition of this Sub-Fund in Singapore, there will be no change to the dealing procedures, investment objectives, risk profile or operations for the Sub-Fund. You may continue to redeem your shares in the Sub-Fund in accordance with the UK prospectus of the Sub-Fund (a copy of which may be obtained from https://www.columbiathreadneedle.co.uk/en/retl/our-funds/find-your-fund/). Subsequent to the withdrawal of recognition of the Sub-Fund in Singapore, the Sub-Fund will continue to remain in existence and be subject to the applicable English laws and supervision of the Financial Conduct Authority and will be managed in accordance with its constitutive documents and the relevant offering document in the UK.

III Options for Singapore Shareholders

- 1. You may choose to continue to hold your existing shares of the Sub-Fund up to and after the Effective Date. In such a case, you are not required to take any action; or
- 2. You may redeem your existing shares in the Sub-Fund <u>on or before Friday, 12 April 2024,</u> in accordance with the procedures set out in the Singapore prospectus for the Sub-Fund. The Fund does not charge any redemption fee.

Shareholders who continue to hold their existing shares of the Sub-Fund up to and after the Effective Date, should be fully aware of the potential risks related to an investment in a collective investment scheme that is not recognised by the MAS pursuant to section 287(1) of the SFA. For the avoidance of doubt, please note that shareholders of the Sub-Funds will no longer be afforded any protection under the SFA from the Effective Date. In particular, attention is drawn to the fact that, from the Effective Date, there will be no Singapore representative in relation to the Sub-Fund. Accordingly, from the Effective Date, Shareholders who continue to hold their existing shares of the Sub-Fund will have to contact the relevant approved Singapore distributor through whom you originally purchased such shares of the Sub-Fund or, if applicable, the ACD, should they have any queries or require any assistance in relation to their shares of the Sub-Fund.

The ACD will bear the costs of the withdrawal of recognition of the Sub-Fund and no related costs will be borne by the Sub-Fund and/or the affected shareholders.

IV Enquiries

If you have any questions or concerns about the foregoing, you may contact the ACD at its registered office in the UK or the Singapore representative, State Street Bank and Trust Company, at +65 800 8523 733.

Yours sincerely,

Threadneedle Investment Services Limited