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## **iShares Physical Metals PLC**

JPMorgan House International Financial Services Centre Dublin 1 Ireland

## **Inspection of Gold Bullion**

The iShares Physical Metals PLC engaged Bureau Veritas Commodities UK Ltd. to conduct two inspections per year of the gold bullion stock held on behalf of the iShares Physical Gold ETC at the vault of JPMorgan Chase Bank N.A., London Branch (the "Custodian"). The next regular inspection will be chosen by Bureau Veritas Commodities UK Ltd. during the calendar year 2024.

It is with pleasure that we submit below our reports to iShares Physical Metals PLC covering our count for record date as of 30<sup>th</sup> April 2024. In accordance with the agreed procedures, we hereby report the following:

Name of Account: iShares Physical Metals PLC for iShares Physical Gold ETC

Material: London Good Delivery Gold Bars

Results: As at close of business 30<sup>th</sup> April 2024, this account held title to 15,854 gold bars

with a total of 6,350,002.300 fine troy ounces, all London Good Delivery Gold Bars, said to be of purity of 99.50% minimum, up to and including 99.99%.

Description of Activity: Over the course of the inspection, we performed a full count of 15,854 bars of

gold, based upon the Custodian's gold inventory as of 30<sup>th</sup> April 2024, including

but not limited to the following:

- The gold inventory records of Administrator, State Street Bank and Trust Company, were reconciled to the records of the Custodian.
- Each individual bar in the gold count was agreed to the records of the Custodian as being held in the name of the above-mentioned account.
- Ten percent of the bar list was randomly chosen by Bureau Veritas Commodities UK Ltd. This ten percent selection of bars was physical verified as correct through serial numbers, refiner brands and purities versus inventory reports supplied by the Custodian as at 30<sup>th</sup> April 2024.
- Three hundred and ninety-eight of the gold bars were selected at random and check weighed against the records of the Custodian.



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## Summary of Results:

All 15,854 bars were found to be in the vault, consistent with the stated records of iShares Physical Metals PLC. Reconciliation was performed on the physical movement of bars which occurred during the inspection period between 1<sup>st</sup> May and 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2024. The Custodian's records were found to have been correctly recorded.

Non-conformities: There were no administrative non-conformities identified in respect of

the gold bars during the audit.

There were no non-conformities identified in respect of the gold bars as

at 30<sup>th</sup> April 2024.

For and on Behalf of: **Bureau Veritas Commodities UK Ltd.** 



**Eleanor Green** 

Client Account Coordinator