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Dear Client,

you now have a choice of how EFG holds your assets

In accordance with Article 38 of the Central Securities Depository Regulation (CSDR), we are now offering you the choice of how EFG holds your investment assets.

Currently EFG holds client assets

In line with our terms and conditions, EFG can deposit client assets with a sub-custodian.

Your non-UK European assets (and most bonds) are deposited with the sub-custodian Euroclear, with whom we operate an Omnibus Segregated Account (OSA) system.

The OSA is where all our clients' assets are held in one pooled account. The allocation of those assets across different clients is then held within our own reporting systems.

Assets from Asia, United States and UK Sterling assets (also held under an OSA arrangement) are held with the sub-custodian BBH, who are out of scope for this regulation.

you now have a choice of account for assets held with Euroclear

Under Article 38 of the CSDR, you can now choose between:

- an existing OSA arrangement or
- an Individual Client Segregated Account (CSA), where a separate account is used to hold the investment assets of a single client from the securities of other clients.

OSA and CSA accounts differ

Your legal entitlement to the securities that we hold for you is unaffected by them being held in either an individual CSA or pooled OSA account.

The main difference is the potential delay you may experience in being able to access your assets in the unlikely event of EFG becoming insolvent.

A delay may occur if an insolvency practitioner requires a full reconciliation of all securities in an OSA account prior to the release of any assets.