

DR Market Announcement

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Security Name: Novartis AG (NVS) - ADR - Final Announcement
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Please be advised of the following Final dividend information for the above noted issuer:

	<u>Foreign Date</u>	<u>DR Date</u>
Record Date	March 05, 2019	March 05, 2019
Payment/Value Date	March 06, 2019	March 13, 2019

Swiss Franc per foreign share	2.85
DR Ratio	1 : 1
Swiss Franc per DR	2.85
Foreign Exchange Date	03/06/2019
Final Foreign Exchange Rate ¹ Inclusive of a fee of 0.000900	1.0056

All amounts are in USD

Withholding Tax Rate	35%
Rate per DR	2.834128
Withholding Amount	0.991944
Dividend Fee	0.000000
DSC	0.000000
Final Dividend Rate per DR	1.842184

Beginning in 2019, Novartis's dividend to ADR holders will be paid in two stages. The first payment will be less 35% Swiss withholding tax, payable one week after Swiss pay date. Those eligible holders reclaiming Swiss withholding tax will receive a second payment once the reclaim process is completed.

Sincerely,

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