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THE EUROPEAN SMALLER COMPANIES TRUST PLC  
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**THE EUROPEAN SMALLER COMPANIES TRUST PLC**  
("ESCT" or the "Company")

**Withdrawal of Second General Meeting Requisition from Saba**

The Board confirms that, on 11 February 2025, it received a second requisition notice from Saba Capital Management L.P. ("**Saba**") to call a general meeting (the "**Second Requisition Notice**"). Since the receipt of the Second Requisition Notice, the Board has engaged in constructive discussions with Saba, who has agreed to withdraw the requisition for a period of 30 days to allow both parties to enter into good-faith negotiations aimed at achieving an outcome that benefits all shareholders.

The Board will provide a further update in due course.

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