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World Chess Plc

("World Chess" or the "Company") Subscription / PDMR Disclosure

World Chess PLC (LSE: CHSS), a leading chess organisation committed to expanding the global appeal of chess, announces that it has entered into a subscription agreement with Mr. Ilya Merenzon, a director of the Company, for the issue of 24,390,243 new ordinary shares of £0.0001 each (the "Subscription Shares") at a price of 3.28 pence per share (the "Subscription Price"), raising gross proceeds of approximately £800,000 (the "Subscription").

The Subscription Price reflects the average price realised by Mr. Merenzon from the recent sale of 17m ordinary shares. The Subscription Shares will be issued and allotted conditional upon admission to trading ("Admission").

Application is being made for the 24,390,243 Shares to be admitted to the Official List and to trading on the Main Market of the London Stock Exchange which is expected to be on or around 30 June 2025. These shares rank pari passu with the existing Ordinary Shares of the Company. Following the issue of the 24,390,243 Shares, the Company's issued ordinary share capital shall consist of 765,256,477 Ordinary Shares.

This figure of 765,256,477 represents the total voting rights in the Company and should be used by shareholders as the denominator for the calculation by which they can determine if they are required to notify their interest in, or a change to their interest in, the Company under the Financial Conduct Authority's Disclosure Guidance & Transparency Rules.

Following these transactions, Mr Merenzon now holds 401.06m Shares, representing approximately 52.4 per cent. of the Company's issued share capital.

This announcement contains information which, prior to its disclosure, was inside information as stipulated under Regulation 11 of the Market Abuse (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019/310 (as amended).

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Notes to Editors

About World Chess Plc

World Chess (LSE: CHSS) is a London-based chess gaming and entertainment company and Fédération Internationale des Echecs ('FIDE') official commercial partner. World Chess organised the FIDE Championship Matches in the USA, and the UK, and revolutionised the sport by signing the biggest media partnerships in history. World Chess develops Armageddon, the chess league for prime-time television. World Chess also runs FIDE Online Arena, the exclusive official chess gaming platform. More at worldchess.com.

1.	Details of the person discharging managerial responsibilities / person closely associated	
a)	Name	Ilya Merenzon
2.	Reason for the notification	
a)	Position/status	CEO
b)	Initial notification / Amendment	Initial Notification
3.	Details of the issuer, emission allowance market participant, auction platform, auctioneer or auction monitor	
a)	Name	World Chess plc
b)	LEI	213800BKR3RT23F9DN71
4.	Details of the transaction(s): section to be repeated for (i) each type of instrument; (ii) each type of transaction; (iii) each date; and (iv) each place where transactions have been conducted	
a)	Description of the financial instrument,	Ordinary Shares of £0.0001

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	Identification code	ISIN: GB00BN70RC41
b)	Nature of the transaction	Subscription for ordinary shares
c)	Price(s) and volume(s)	Price (s) Volume (s) £0.0328 24,390,243
d)	Aggregate information - Aggregate volume - Total Price	24,390,243 £800,000
e)	Date of the transaction	24 June 2025
f)	Place of the transaction	Outside of a trading venue
g)	Additional information	N/A

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