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ROLLS-ROYCE ANNOUNCES SENIOR NOTES OFFERING

Further to its announcement of its recapitalization package on 1 October 2020, Rolls-Royce Holdings plc (the "Company" and together with its subsidiaries, the "Group" or "Rolls-Royce") today announces that it is commencing a series of meetings with fixed income investors with a view to launching, subject to market conditions, an offering (the "Bond Offering") of senior unsecured notes, which will be denominated in US dollars, euros and/or pounds sterling, targeting maturities of 2026 (long 5 year) and 2027 (straight 7 year) (the "Notes"). The Notes will be issued by Rolls-Royce plc, a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, and guaranteed by the Company.

The Group intends to raise gross proceeds of at least £1bn from the Bond Offering and use these proceeds together with those of the rights issue that forms part of the recapitalization package to enhance its financial resilience and deliver a more appropriate balance sheet in order to position the Group for the post COVID-19 environment. This will enable the Group to improve its liquidity headroom, reduce its level of balance sheet leverage while supporting disciplined execution and investment to ensure maximized value for existing capabilities.

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- 1. Rolls-Royce pioneers cutting-edge technologies that deliver clean, safe and competitive solutions to meet our planet's vital power needs.
- 2. Rolls-Royce has customers in more than 150 countries, comprising more than 400 airlines and leasing customers, 160 armed forces, 70 navies, and more than 5,000 power and nuclear customers.
- 3. Annual underlying revenue was £15.45 billion in 2019, around half of which came from the provision of aftermarket services.
- 4. In 2019, Rolls-Royce invested £1.46 billion on research and development. We also support a global network of 29 University Technology Centres, which position Rolls-Royce engineers at the forefront of scientific research.
- 5. Rolls-Royce Holdings plc LEI: 213800EC7997ZBLZJH69

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