

Special Executive Report

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Amendments to the Options on the South African Rand/US Dollar (ZAR/USD) Futures and the Options on the Russian Ruble/US Dollar (RUB/USD) Futures Contracts and Temporary Suspension of Trading and Clearing

Effective Sunday, July 12, 2020 for trade date Monday, July 13, 2020, and pending all relevant Commodity Futures Trading Commission (“CFTC”) regulatory review periods, Chicago Mercantile Exchange Inc, (“CME” or “Exchange”) will amend the strike price and range of the Options on the South African Rand/US Dollar (“ZAR/USD”) Futures and the Options on the Russian Ruble/USD Dollar (“RUB/USD”) Futures contracts (the “Contracts”) as below.

In addition, effective immediately the Exchange will suspend trading and clearing of the Contracts until Sunday, July 12, 2020 for trade date Monday, July 13, 2020 (collectively, the “Rule Amendments”). The Exchange currently lists monthly and weekly options on ZAR/USD options and RUB/USD options for trading on the CME trading floor¹ and the CME Globex electronic trading platform and for submission for clearing only on CME ClearPort. There is no open interest in the Contracts.

Contract Title	Rulebook Chapter	Commodity Code	Current Strike Price and Range	Amended Strike Price and Range
ZAR/USD Monthly Options	259A	CME Globex: RO	\$0.00250 +/- 8 strikes	<u>Front 3 months:</u> \$0.00050 +/- 20 strikes
		CME ClearPort: RA		
		Open Outcry: RO		<u>Non-Front months:</u> \$0.0010 +/- 20 strikes
		Clearing: RA		
ZAR/USD Weekly Friday Options	259A	CME Globex: 1N-5N	\$0.00250 +/- 8 strikes	\$0.00050 +/- 15 strikes
		CME ClearPort: 1N-5N		
		Open Outcry: 1N-5N		
		Clearing: 1N-5N		
RUB/USD Monthly Options	260A	CME Globex: 6R	\$0.00025 +/- 25 strikes	<u>Front 3 months:</u> \$0.00010 +/- 20 strikes
		CME ClearPort: RU		
		Open Outcry: UO		<u>Non-Front months:</u> \$0.00020 +/- 20 strikes
		Clearing: RU		
RUB/USD Weekly Friday Options	260A	CME Globex: 6R1-6R5	\$0.00025 +/- 25 strikes	\$0.00010 +/- 15 strikes
		CME ClearPort: RU1-RU5		
		Open Outcry: RU1-RU5		
		Clearing: RU1-RU5		

Attachments: Appendix B – Amendments to CME Chapters 259A and 260A (blackline format)
Appendix C – Suspended ZAR/USD and RUB/USD monthly and weekly options contracts
Appendix D – ZAR/USD and RUB/USD monthly and weekly contracts to be relisted for trading and clearing on trade date Monday, July 13, 2020.

¹ CME Group closed its Chicago trading floor as of the close of business Friday, March 13, 2020, as a precaution to reduce large gatherings that can contribute to the spread of coronavirus in line with the advice of medical professionals. Updates can be found at: <https://www.cmegroup.com/company/information.html>

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Appendix A

CME Rulebook

(additions underlined; deletions ~~struck through~~)

Chapter 259A Options on South African Rand/U.S. Dollar (ZAR/USD) Futures

259A01. OPTIONS CHARACTERISTICS

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259A01.J. Exercise Prices and Listing of Exercise Prices

~~Regular exercise prices shall be stated in terms of U.S. dollars per South African rand at intervals of \$0.00250, e.g., \$0.21750, \$0.22000 \$0.21800, \$0.22250 \$0.21850, etc.~~

~~259A02. LISTING OF EXERCISE PRICES~~

1. Front Three Monthly Options

At the commencement of trading in a contract month for monthly options on South African rand/U.S. dollar futures, the Exchange shall list put and call options at the \$0.00050 regular exercise price that is nearest the previous day's settlement price of the underlying futures contract. In addition, the Exchange shall list put and call options at the next ~~eight~~ twenty higher and next ~~eight~~ twenty lower regular exercise prices for options on South African rand/U.S. dollar futures.

When a sale, bid, offer, or settlement price in the underlying futures occurs within half a \$0.00050 regular exercise price interval of the ~~eight~~ twentieth highest or ~~eight~~ twentieth lowest existing regular exercise price for options on South African rand/U.S. dollar futures, put and call options at the next higher or next lower regular exercise price shall be listed for trading on the next trading day. New options may be listed for trading up to and including the termination of trading.

The Exchange may modify the provisions governing the establishment of exercise prices as it deems appropriate.

2. Non-Front (Fourth and beyond) Monthly Options

At the commencement of trading in a contract month for monthly options on South African rand/U.S. dollar futures, the Exchange shall list put and call options at the \$0.0010 regular exercise price that is nearest the previous day's settlement price of the underlying futures contract. In addition, the Exchange shall list put and call options at the next twenty higher and next twenty lower regular exercise prices for options on South African rand/U.S. dollar futures.

When a sale, bid, offer, or settlement price in the underlying futures occurs within half a \$0.0010 regular exercise price interval of the twentieth highest or twentieth lowest existing regular exercise price for options on South African rand/U.S. dollar futures, put and call options at the next higher or next lower regular exercise price shall be listed for trading on the next trading day. New options may be listed for trading up to and including the termination of trading. The Exchange may modify the provisions governing the establishment of exercise prices as it deems appropriate.

23. Weekly Options

~~Upon demand, the Exchange shall list any exercise price for the weekly options that is eligible for listing for the nearest monthly option with the same underlying futures contract.~~

At the commencement of trading in a weekly option on South African rand/U.S. dollar futures, the Exchange shall list put and call options at the \$0.00050 regular exercise price that is nearest the previous day's settlement price of the underlying futures contract. In addition, the Exchange shall list put and call options at the next fifteen higher and next fifteen lower regular exercise prices for options on South African rand/U.S. dollar futures.

When a sale, bid, offer, or settlement price in the underlying futures occurs within half a \$0.00050 regular exercise price interval of the fifteenth highest or fifteenth lowest existing regular exercise

price for options on South African rand/U.S. dollar futures, put and call options at the next higher or next lower regular exercise price shall be listed for trading on the next trading day. New options may be listed for trading up to and including the termination of trading.
The Exchange may modify the provisions governing the establishment of exercise prices as it deems appropriate.

34. Dynamically-Listed Exercise Prices.

Upon demand and at the discretion of the Exchange, new out-of-current-range exercise prices at regularly defined intervals may be added for trading on as soon as possible basis.

Chapter 260A **Options on Russian Ruble/U.S. Dollar (RUB/USD) Futures**

260A01. OPTIONS CHARACTERISTICS

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260A01.J. Exercise Prices and Listing of Exercise Prices

~~Regular exercise prices shall be stated in terms of U.S. dollars per Russian ruble at intervals of \$0.00025, e.g., \$0.03500, \$0.03525, \$0.03550, etc.~~

~~260A02. LISTING OF EXERCISE PRICES~~

1. Front Three Monthly Options

At the commencement of trading in a contract month for monthly options on Russian ruble/U.S. dollar futures, the Exchange shall list put and call options at the \$0.0001 regular exercise price that is nearest the previous day's settlement price of the underlying futures contract. In addition, the Exchange shall list put and call options at the next ~~twenty-five~~ twenty higher and next ~~twenty-five~~ twenty lower regular exercise prices for options on Russian ruble/U.S. dollar futures.

When a sale, bid, offer, or settlement price in the underlying futures occurs within half a \$0.0001 regular exercise price interval of the ~~twenty-fifth~~ twentieth highest or ~~twenty-fifth~~ twentieth lowest existing regular exercise price for options on Russian ruble/U.S. dollar futures, put and call options at the next higher or next lower regular exercise price shall be listed for trading on the next Trading Day. New options may be listed for trading up to and including the termination of trading.

The Exchange may modify the provisions governing the establishment of exercise prices as it deems appropriate.

2. Non-Front (Fourth and beyond) Monthly Options

At the commencement of trading in a contract month for monthly options on Russian ruble/U.S. dollar futures, the Exchange shall list put and call options at the \$0.00020 regular exercise price that is nearest the previous day's settlement price of the underlying futures contract. In addition, the Exchange shall list put and call options at the next twenty higher and next twenty lower regular exercise prices for options on Russian ruble/U.S. dollar futures.

When a sale, bid, offer, or settlement price in the underlying futures occurs within half a \$0.00020 regular exercise price interval of the twentieth highest or twentieth lowest existing regular exercise price for options on Russian ruble/U.S. dollar futures, put and call options at the next higher or next lower regular exercise price shall be listed for trading on the next Trading Day. New options may be listed for trading up to and including the termination of trading.

The Exchange may modify the provisions governing the establishment of exercise prices as it deems appropriate.

23. Weekly Options

~~Upon demand, the Exchange shall list any exercise price for the weekly options that is eligible for listing for the nearest monthly option with the same underlying futures contract.~~

At the commencement of trading in a weekly option on Russian ruble/U.S. dollar futures, the Exchange shall list put and call options at the \$0.00010 regular exercise price that is nearest the previous day's settlement price of the underlying futures contract. In addition, the Exchange shall

list put and call options at the next fifteen higher and next fifteen lower regular exercise prices for options on Russian ruble/U.S. dollar futures.

When a sale, bid, offer, or settlement price in the underlying futures occurs within half a \$0.00010 regular exercise price interval of the fifteenth highest or fifteenth lowest existing regular exercise price for options on Russian ruble/U.S. dollar futures, put and call options at the next higher or next lower regular exercise price shall be listed for trading on the next Trading Day. New options may be listed for trading up to and including the termination of trading.

The Exchange may modify the provisions governing the establishment of exercise prices as it deems appropriate.

34. Dynamically-Listed Exercise Prices.

Upon demand and at the discretion of the Exchange, new out-of-current-range exercise prices at regularly defined intervals may be added for trading on as soon as possible basis.

Appendix B
Suspended ZAR/USD and RUB/USD Monthly and Weekly Contracts

ZAR/USD Monthly Options

CONTRACT MONTH	PRODUCT CODE	SETTLEMENT
Jul-20	RAN20	2-Jul-20
Aug-20	RAQ20	7-Aug-20
Sep-20	RAU20	4-Sep-20
Oct-20	RAV20	9-Oct-20
Nov-20	RAX20	6-Nov-20
Dec-20	RAZ20	4-Dec-20
Jan-21	RAF21	8-Jan-21
Feb-21	RAG21	5-Feb-21
Mar-21	RAH21	5-Mar-21
Apr-21	RAJ21	9-Apr-21
May-21	RAK21	7-May-21

ZAR/USD Weekly Options

CONTRACT MONTH	PRODUCT CODE	SETTLEMENT
June 2020 ZAR/USD OPTIONS Week2	2NM20	2020-06-12
June 2020 ZAR/USD OPTIONS Week3	3NM20	2020-06-19
June 2020 ZAR/USD OPTIONS Week4	4NM20	2020-06-26
July 2020 ZAR/USD OPTIONS Week2	2NN20	2020-07-10

RUB/USD Monthly Options

CONTRACT MONTH	PRODUCT CODE	SETTLEMENT
Jun-20	RUM20	15-Jun-20
Jul-20	RUN20	15-Jul-20
Aug-20	RUQ20	17-Aug-20
Sep-20	RUU20	15-Sep-20
Oct-20	RUV20	15-Oct-20
Nov-20	RUX20	16-Nov-20
Dec-20	RUZ20	15-Dec-20
Jan-21	RUF21	15-Jan-21
Feb-21	RUG21	16-Feb-21
Mar-21	RUH21	15-Mar-21
Apr-21	RUJ21	15-Apr-21
May-21	RUK21	17-May-21
Jun-21	RUM21	15-Jun-21
Sep-21	RUU21	15-Sep-21
Dec-21	RUZ21	15-Dec-21
Mar-22	RUH22	15-Mar-22
Jun-22	RUM22	15-Jun-22
Sep-22	RUU22	15-Sep-22

RUB/USD Weekly Options

CONTRACT MONTH	PRODUCT CODE	SETTLEMENT
June 2020 RUB/USD OPTIONS Week2	RU2M20	2020-06-12
June 2020 RUB/USD OPTIONS Week3	RU3M20	2020-06-19
June 2020 RUB/USD OPTIONS Week4	RU4M20	2020-06-26

Appendix C

ZAR/USD and RUB/USD Monthly and Weekly Contracts to be Relisted for trade date Monday, July 13, 2020

ZAR/USD Monthly Options

CONTRACT MONTH	PRODUCT CODE	SETTLEMENT
Aug-20	RAQ20	7-Aug-20
Sep-20	RAU20	4-Sep-20
Oct-20	RAV20	9-Oct-20
Nov-20	RAX20	6-Nov-20
Dec-20	RAZ20	4-Dec-20
Jan-21	RAF21	8-Jan-21
Feb-21	RAG21	5-Feb-21
Mar-21	RAH21	5-Mar-21
Apr-21	RAJ21	9-Apr-21
May-21	RAK21	7-May-21
Jun-21	RAM21	4-Jun-21
Jul-21	RAN21	9-Jul-21

ZAR/USD Weekly Options

CONTRACT MONTH	PRODUCT CODE	SETTLEMENT
July 2020 ZAR/USD OPTIONS Week3	3NN20	2020-07-17
July 2020 ZAR/USD OPTIONS Week4	4NN20	2020-07-24
July 2020 ZAR/USD OPTIONS Week5	5NN20	2020-07-31
August 2020 ZAR/USD OPTIONS Week2	2NQ20	2020-08-14

RUB/USD Monthly Options

CONTRACT MONTH	PRODUCT CODE	SETTLEMENT
Aug-20	RUQ20	17-Aug-20
Sep-20	RUU20	15-Sep-20
Oct-20	RUV20	15-Oct-20
Nov-20	RUX20	16-Nov-20
Dec-20	RUZ20	15-Dec-20
Jan-21	RUF21	15-Jan-21
Feb-21	RUG21	16-Feb-21
Mar-21	RUH21	15-Mar-21
Apr-21	RUJ21	15-Apr-21
May-21	RUK21	17-May-21
Jun-21	RUM21	15-Jun-21
Jul-21	RUN21	15-Jul-21

RUB/USD Weekly Options

CONTRACT MONTH	PRODUCT CODE	SETTLEMENT
July 2020 RUB/USD OPTIONS Week3	RU3N20	2020-07-17
July 2020 RUB/USD OPTIONS Week4	RU4N20	2020-07-24
July 2020 RUB/USD OPTIONS Week5	RU5N20	2020-07-31
August 2020 RUB/USD OPTIONS Week1	RU1Q20	2020-08-07