easyJet plc ("easyJet" or the "Company") today announces that the 31 for 47 rights issue of 301,260,394 New Shares at 410 pence per New Share announced on 9 September 2021 (the "Rights Issue") closed for acceptances at 11:00 a.m. on 27 September 2021. The Company received valid acceptances in respect of 280,196,507 New Shares, representing approximately 93.0 per cent. of the total number of New Shares to be issued pursuant to the fully underwritten Rights Issue.

It is expected that the New Shares in uncertificated form will be credited to CREST accounts today and that definitive share certificates in respect of New Shares held in certificated form will be despatched by no later than 12 October 2021.

It is expected that the New Shares will commence trading, fully paid, on the London Stock Exchange plc's main market for listed securities at 8:00 a.m. today.

Johan Lundgren, Chief Executive Officer of easyJet, said:

"The success of this capital raise, thanks to great support from investors, will enable easyJet to strengthen its balance sheet and accelerate its post-COVID 19 recovery plan. Importantly, it will position us to take advantage of strategic investment opportunities across our markets which will arise as we move into this period of recovery from the pandemic.

"easyJet has been disciplined and decisive in maintaining a strong balance sheet, managing our fleet and network while looking after our customers. This will allow us to emerge from the pandemic with renewed strength, positioned as a structural winner in this rapidly evolving sector.

"We look forward to continuing to serve our customers with the same friendly service that has made us the brand of choice for millions whilst, at the same time, delivering value to our shareholders."

In accordance with their obligations as underwriters in respect of the Rights Issue as set out in the prospectuses approved respectively by the Financial Conduct Authority ("FCA") and the Autorité des Marchés Financiers ("AMF") on 9 September 2021 (together, the "Prospectuses"), BNP Paribas, Credit Suisse, Goldman Sachs, Santander and Société Générale (the "Underwriters") will use reasonable endeavours to procure subscribers for the remaining 21,063,887 New Shares not taken up by Qualifying Shareholders at the Issue Price, failing which the Underwriters have agreed to subscribe themselves (in the agreed proportions), on a several basis, for any remaining New Shares at the Issue Price.

As set out in the Prospectuses, the net proceeds from the placing of such New Shares (after the deduction of the Issue Price of 410 pence per New Share and the expenses of procuring subscribers, including any applicable brokerage commissions and VAT which are not recoverable and currency conversion costs) will be paid (without interest and after
deducting currency conversion costs) to those Shareholders whose rights have lapsed in accordance with the terms of the Rights Issue, pro rata to their lapsed provisional allotments, save that individual amounts of less than £5.00 will not be paid to such persons but will be aggregated and will accrue for the benefit of the Company.

A further announcement as to the number of New Shares for which subscribers have been procured will be made in due course.

Unless the context otherwise requires, words and expressions defined in the Prospectuses shall have the same meanings in this announcement.

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In the event that the Underwriters acquire New Shares which are not taken up by Qualifying Shareholders (as defined in the Prospectuses), the Underwriters may co-ordinate disposals of such shares in accordance with applicable law and regulation. Except as required by applicable law or regulation, the Underwriters and their respective affiliates do not propose to make any public disclosure in relation to such transactions.

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