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Chief Financial Officer Bob Qutub to Retire from MSCI

NEW YORK--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- MSCI Inc. (NYSE:MSCI), a leading provider of portfolio construction and risk management tools for global investors, announced today that Robert Qutub, its Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer, has notified the company that he intends to retire. It is expected that Mr. Qutub will remain with the company until the earlier of mid-May and the appointment of his successor.

"Bob has played an important leadership role for MSCI during a period of enormous change and growth," said Henry Fernandez, MSCI Chairman and CEO. "I am grateful to him for the substantial contributions he has made to the firm, and am confident they have positioned us well for future growth."

"It has been a tremendously rewarding experience working with the MSCI board and my colleagues on the firm's Executive Committee and the Finance team," said Mr. Qutub. "We have built a world class finance organization over the past few years. Given our strong accomplishments and the excellent positioning of the company, I feel this is the right time for me to spend more time with my family and think about new opportunities."

"Bob has a strong team," Mr. Fernandez continued, "and because he has offered to stay with us for a number of months, we are planning for a smooth transition."

About MSCI

For more than 40 years, MSCI's research-based indexes and analytics have helped the world's leading investors build and manage better portfolios. Clients rely on our offerings for deeper insights into the drivers of performance and risk in their portfolios, broad asset class coverage and innovative research.

Our line of products and services includes indexes, analytical models, data, real estate benchmarks and ESG research.

MSCI serves 97 of the top 100 largest asset managers, based upon P&I data as of December 2014 and MSCI client data as of June 2015.

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