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IPO successfully raises \$100,111,000

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Gabelli Merger Plus⁺ Trust PLC, a newly incorporated closed-ended public limited company, today announces that it has raised gross proceeds of \$100,111,000 (one hundred million, one hundred and eleven thousand dollars) in its initial public offering of ordinary shares in the capital of the Company (the "Shares").

Applications will be made to the London Stock Exchange for 10,011,100 Shares to be admitted to trading on the Specialist Fund Segment, with unconditional trading expected to commence at 08.00am on 19 July 2017 ("Admission").

Following Admission, the number of Shares that the Company has in issue will be 10,011,100. The total number of voting rights of the Company will be 10,011,100 and this figure may be used by shareholders as the denominator for the calculations by which they will determine if they are required to notify their interest in, or a change to their interest in the Company, under the Disclosure Guidance and Transparency Rules.

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