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Market Vectors® Egypt Index ETF Creation Orders Suspended

NEW YORK, NY (January 31, 2011) – Due to events in Egypt which have forced its stock exchange to close for an undetermined period, New York-based asset manager Van Eck Global will exercise its right to suspend creation orders of Market Vectors Egypt Index ETF (Ticker: EGPT). This follows the firm’s normal policy of suspending creation orders when the underlying market is closed for an extended period thereby helping to prevent the costs of creation activity to be borne by existing shareholders.

Redemption orders for the Market Vectors Egypt Index ETF will continue to be accepted as described in the prospectus.

The Fund expects to resume normal operations once the Egyptian Stock Exchange reopens.

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Market Vectors exchange-traded products have been offered by Van Eck Global since 2006 when the firm launched the nation’s first gold mining ETF. It also offers mutual funds, insurance trust funds, separate accounts and alternative investments. Designed for investors seeking innovative choices for portfolio diversification, Van Eck Global’s investment products are often categorized in asset classes having returns with lower correlations than to those of more traditional U.S. equity and fixed income investments.

Important Disclosure

The Market Vectors Egypt Index ETF is subject to a high degree of risk, including those associated with less reliable financial information, higher costs, taxation, decreased liquidity, less stringent reporting, and foreign currency risks. Special risks particular to Egypt investments include expropriation, political instability, economic impacts of armed conflict, civil war and severe social instability, less developed capital markets, lower market capitalization, lower trading volume, illiquidity, inflation, greater price fluctuations, uncertainty regarding the existence of trading markets, politically controlled access to trading markets, unsettled securities laws, and trade barriers. Investors should be willing to accept a high degree of volatility and the potential of significant loss. The Fund may loan its securities, which may subject it to additional credit and counterparty risk.

The Market Vectors Egypt Index (the “Index”) is the exclusive property of 4asset-management GmbH, which has contracted with Structured Solutions AG to maintain and calculate the Index. Structured Solutions AG uses its best efforts to ensure that the Index is calculated correctly. Irrespective of its obligations towards 4asset-management GmbH, Structured Solutions AG has no obligation to point out errors in the Index to third parties. Market Vectors Egypt Index ETF is not sponsored, endorsed, sold or promoted by 4asset-management GmbH and 4asset-management GmbH makes no representation regarding the advisability of investing in the Fund.

Fund shares are not individually redeemable and will be issued and redeemed at their NAV only through certain authorized broker-dealers in large, specified blocks of shares called “creation units” and otherwise can be bought and sold only through exchange trading. Creation units are issued and redeemed principally in cash. Shares may trade at a premium or discount to their NAV in the secondary market.

Investing involves risk, including possible loss of principal. Investors may call 1.888.MKT.VCTR or visit vaneck.com/egpt for a free prospectus. They should consider the investment objective, risks, and charges and expenses of Market Vectors Egypt Index ETF carefully before investing. The prospectus contains this and other information. Please read the prospectus carefully before investing.

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