#### **UNITED STATES** SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

### **FORM 10-Q**

QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934  $\boxtimes$ For the quarterly period ended September 30, 2023

OR

TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 

For the transition period from to\_

### **Ross Acquisition Corp II**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Cayman Islands** (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

001-40201 (Commission File Number)

98-1578557 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

**1** Pelican Lane Palm Beach, Florida 33480 33480 (Address Of Principal Executive Offices)

(Zip Code)

(561) 655-2615

Registrant's telephone number, including area code

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

	Trading	Name of Each Exchange
Title of Each Class:	Symbol(s)	on Which Registered:
Units, each consisting of one Class A ordinary share and one-third of one redeemable warrant	ROSS.U	New York Stock Exchange
Class A ordinary shares, par value \$0.0001 per share	ROSS	New York Stock Exchange
Redeemable warrants included as part of the units, each whole warrant exercisable for one share of Class A	ROSS WS	New York Stock Exchange
ordinary share at an exercise price of \$11.50 per share		

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes 🗵 No 🗆

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically every Interactive Data File required to be submitted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§ 232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit such files). Yes 🗵 No 🗆

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, smaller reporting company, or an emerging growth company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer," "smaller reporting company," and "emerging growth company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer		Accelerated filer	
Non-accelerated filer	$\boxtimes$	Smaller reporting company	$\boxtimes$
Emerging growth company	$\boxtimes$		

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.  $\Box$ 

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes 🗵 No 🗆

As of November 17, 2023, 5,041,098 Class A ordinary shares, par value \$0.0001 per share, and 8,625,000 Class B ordinary shares, par value \$0.0001 per share, were issued and outstanding.

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#### Item 1. Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements

#### ROSS ACQUISITION CORP II CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

	_	September 30, 2023 (Unaudited)		ecember 31, 2022	
Assets:					
Current assets:					
Cash	\$	10,419	\$	31,704	
Prepaid expenses		5,000		40,000	
Total current assets		15,419		71,704	
Cash held in Trust Account		54,327,619		350,332,362	
Total Assets	\$	54,343,038	\$	350,404,066	
Liabilities, Class A Ordinary Shares Subject to Possible Redemption and Shareholders' Deficit:					
Current liabilities:					
Accounts payable	\$	2,113,513	\$	1,814,213	
Accrued expenses		5,089,246		3,732,635	
Due to related party		304,643			
Note Payable - related party		75,000		_	
Total current liabilities		7,582,393		5,546,848	
Derivative warrant liabilities		1,917,670		871,670	
Deferred underwriting commissions		6,037,500		12,075,000	
Total liabilities		15,537,563		18,493,518	
Commitments and Contingencies					
Class A ordinary shares subject to possible redemption, \$0.0001 par value; 5,041,098 and 34,500,000 shares at redemption value of approximately \$10.76 and \$10.15 per share as of September 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022, respectively		54,227,619		350,232,362	
Shareholders' Deficit:					
Preference shares, \$0.0001 par value; 1,000,000 shares authorized; none issued or outstanding as of September 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022		_		_	
Class A ordinary shares, \$0.0001 par value; 500,000,000 shares authorized; no non-redeemable shares issued or outstanding as of September 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022		_		_	
Class B ordinary shares, \$0.0001 par value; 50,000,000 shares authorized; 8,625,000 shares issued and outstanding as of September 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022		863		863	
Additional paid-in capital		_		_	
Accumulated deficit		(15,423,007)		(18,322,677)	
Total shareholders' deficit		(15,422,144)		(18,321,814)	
Total Liabilities, Class A Ordinary Shares Subject to Possible Redemption and Shareholders' Deficit	\$	54,343,038	\$	350,404,066	

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements.

#### ROSS ACQUISITION CORP II UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

	For the Three Months Ended September 30,				For the Nine Months Ended September 30,			
		2023		2022		2023		2022
General and administrative expenses	\$	606,498	\$	(26,203)	\$	1,926,837	\$	3,588,977
General and administrative expenses - related party		30,000		30,000		90,000		90,000
Loss from operations		(636,498)		(3,797)		(2,016,837)	_	(3,678,977)
Other income, net:								
Change in fair value of derivative warrant liabilities		1,046,000		1,394,660		(1,046,000)		14,469,660
Income from interest in operating account		1		5		7		37
Gain on waived deferred underwriter commission		—		—		457,625		—
Gain from extinguishment of Note payable		990,000		_		990,000		_
Income from investments held in Trust Account		663,149		1,949,467		5,082,769		2,587,135
Net income	\$	2,062,652	\$	3,340,335	\$	3,467,564	\$	13,377,855
Weighted average shares outstanding of Class A ordinary shares, basic and diluted		6,162,456		34,500,000		13,723,312		34,500,000
Basic and diluted net income per share, Class A ordinary share	\$	0.14	\$	0.08	\$	0.16	\$	0.31
Weighted average shares outstanding of Class B ordinary shares, basic and diluted		8,625,000		8,625,000		8,625,000		8,625,000
Basic and diluted net income per share, Class B ordinary share	\$	0.14	\$	0.08	\$	0.16	\$	0.31

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#### ROSS ACQUISITION CORP II UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN SHAREHOLDERS' DEFICIT

#### FOR THE THREE AND NINE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

					Additional Paid-in	Accumulated	Total Shareholders'
	Ordinary Shares			Capital	Deficit	Deficit	
	Cla	ss A	Cla	ss B			
	Shares	Amount	Shares	Amount			
Balance - December 31, 2022	_	s —	8,625,000	\$ 863	s —	\$ (18,322,677)	\$ (18,321,814)
Net loss (as restated)	—	_				(904,911)	(904,911)
Increase in redemption value of Class A							
ordinary shares subject to possible							
redemption (restated)						1,812,770	1,812,770
Balance - March 31, 2023 as restated							
(Unaudited)	—	—	8,625,000	863		(17,414,818)	(17,413,955)
Net income	—	—	—	—	—	2,309,823	2,309,823
Increase in redemption value of Class A							
ordinary shares subject to possible							
redemption						(1,312,516)	(1,312,516)
Balance - June 30, 2023 (Unaudited)	—	—	8,625,000	863	—	(16,417,511)	(16,416,648)
Net income	—	—	—	—	—	2,062,652	2,062,652
Increase in redemption value of Class A							
ordinary shares subject to possible							
redemption						(1,068,148)	(1,068,148)
Balance - September 30, 2023 (Unaudited)		<u>\$                                    </u>	8,625,000	\$ 863	<u>\$                                    </u>	\$ (15,423,007)	\$ (15,422,144)

#### FOR THE THREE AND NINE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2022

					Additional Paid-in	Accumulated	Total Shareholders'
		Ordinary Shares				Deficit	Deficit
	Cla	ss A	Cla	ss B			
	Shares	Amount	Shares	Amount			
Balance - December 31, 2021	-	\$ -	8,625,000	\$ 863	\$ -	\$ (27,956,502)	\$ (27,955,639)
Net income	-	-	-	-	-	8,423,391	8,423,391
Increase in redemption value of Class A							
ordinary shares subject to possible							
redemption						(94,152)	(94,152)
Balance - March 31, 2022 (Unaudited)	-	-	8,625,000	863	-	(19,627,263)	(19,626,400)
Net income	-	-	-	-	-	1,614,129	1,614,129
Increase in redemption value of Class A							
ordinary shares subject to possible							
redemption						(515,152)	(515,152)
Balance - June 30, 2022 (Unaudited)	-	-	8,625,000	863	-	(18,528,286)	(18,527,423)
Net income	-	-	-	-	-	3,340,335	3,340,335
Increase in redemption value of Class A							
ordinary shares subject to possible							
redemption						(1,949,467)	(1,949,467)
Balance - September 30, 2022 (Unaudited)	-	\$ -	8,625,000	\$ 863	\$	\$ (17,137,418)	\$ (17,136,555)

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#### ROSS ACQUISITION CORP II UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

	For The Nine M Septemb	
	2023	2022
Cash Flows from Operating Activities:		
Net income	\$ 3,467,564	\$ 13,377,855
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash used in operating activities:		
Change in fair value of derivative warrant liabilities	1,046,000	(14,469,660)
Income from cash and investments held in Trust Account	(5,082,769)	(2,587,135)
Gain on waiver of deferred underwriter commission	(457,625)	_
Gain from extinguishment of Note payable	(990,000)	—
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:		
Prepaid expenses	35,000	(4,233)
Accounts payable	542,905	630,587
Accrued expenses	1,356,611	1,988,712
Due to related party	61,029	
Net cash used in operating activities	(21,285)	(1,063,874)
Cash Flows from Investing Activities:		
Cash withdrawn from trust in connection with redemption	302,152,512	
Cash deposited in Trust Account	(1,065,000)	_
Net cash provided by investing activities	301,087,512	
Cash Flows from Financing Activities:		
Proceeds from note payable	990.000	_
Proceeds from note payable - related party	75,000	_
Redemption of class A shares	(302,152,512)	_
Net cash used in financing activities	(301,087,512)	
Net change in cash	(21,285)	(1,063,874)
Cash - beginning of the period	31,704	1,133,702
Cash - end of the period	<u>\$ 10,419</u>	\$ 69,828
Supplemental disclosure of noncash financing activities:		
Accounts payable paid by the Sponsor	\$ 243,605	
Reclass from Accounts payable to Due to related party	\$ 61,029	

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#### Note 1 - Description of Organization and Business Operations

Ross Acquisition Corp II (the "Company") was incorporated as a Cayman Islands exempted company on January 19, 2021. The Company was formed for the purpose of effecting a merger, share exchange, asset acquisition, share purchase, reorganization or similar business combination with one or more businesses or entities (an "Initial Business Combination").

Ross Acquisition Corp. II has two wholly owned subsidiaries, APRINOIA Therapeutics Merger Sub 2, Inc. ("Merger Sub 2"), an exempted company incorporated with limited liability under the laws of the Cayman Islands, which was formed on December 21, 2022 and APRINOIA Therapeutics Merger Sub 3, Inc. ("Merger Sub 3"), an exempted company incorporated with limited liability under the laws of the Cayman Islands, which was formed on December 21, 2022. Ross Acquisition Corp. II and its subsidiaries are collectively referred to as "the Company".

As of September 30, 2023, the Company had not commenced any operations. All activity for the period from January 19, 2021 (inception) through September 30, 2023 relates to the Company's formation and the initial public offering (the "Initial Public Offering") described below, and, since the Initial Public Offering, the search for a prospective Initial Business Combination. The Company generates no operating revenues and will not generate any operating revenues until after the completion of its Initial Business Combination, at the earliest. The Company generates non-operating income in the form of interest income from the proceeds derived from the Initial Public Offering.

The Company's sponsor is Ross Holding Company LLC, a Cayman Islands limited liability company (the "Sponsor"). The registration statement for the Company's Initial Public Offering was declared effective on March 11, 2021. On March 16, 2021, the Company consummated its Initial Public Offering of 34,500,000 units (the "Units" and, with respect to the Class A ordinary shares included in the Units being offered, the "Public Shares"), including 4,500,000 additional Units to cover over-allotments (the "Over-Allotment Units"), at \$10.00 per Unit, generating gross proceeds of \$345.0 million, and incurring offering costs of approximately \$19.9 million, of which approximately \$12.1 million was for deferred underwriting commissions (see Note 5).

Simultaneously with the closing of the Initial Public Offering, the Company consummated the private placement ("Private Placement") of 5,933,333 warrants (each, a "Private Placement Warrant" and collectively, the "Private Placement Warrants"), at a price of \$1.50 per Private Placement Warrant with the Sponsor, generating gross proceeds of \$8.9 million (see Note 4).

Upon the closing of the Initial Public Offering and the Private Placement, \$345.0 million (\$10.00 per Unit) of the net proceeds of the Initial Public Offering and certain of the proceeds of the Private Placement were placed in a trust account ("Trust Account"), located in the United States with Continental Stock Transfer & Trust Company acting as trustee, and has been only in U.S. "government securities" within the meaning of Section 2(a)(16) of the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, or the Investment Company Act, having a maturity of 185 days or less or in money market funds meeting certain conditions under Rule 2a-7 promulgated under the Investment Company Act which invest only in direct U.S. government treasury obligations, as determined by the Company, or cash, until the earlier of: (i) the completion of an Initial Business Combination and (ii) the distribution of the Trust Account as described below.

The Company's management has broad discretion with respect to the specific application of the net proceeds of the Initial Public Offering and the sale of Private Placement Warrants, although substantially all of the net proceeds are intended to be applied generally toward consummating an Initial Business Combination. There is no assurance that the Company will be able to complete an Initial Business Combination successfully. The Company must complete one or more Initial Business Combinations having an aggregate fair market value of at least 80% of the assets held in the Trust Account (excluding the deferred underwriting commissions and taxes payable on income earned on the Trust Account) at the time of the signing of the agreement to enter into the Initial Business Combination. However, the Company will only complete an Initial Business Combination if the post-transaction company owns or acquires 50% or more of the outstanding voting securities of the target business or otherwise acquires a controlling interest in the target business sufficient for it not to be required to register as an investment company under the Investment Company Act.

The Company will provide the holders of the Public Shares (the "Public Shareholders") with the opportunity to redeem all or a portion of their Public Shares upon the completion of an Initial Business Combination either (i) in connection with a shareholder meeting called to approve the Initial Business Combination or (ii) by means of a tender offer. The decision as to whether the Company will seek shareholder approval of an Initial Business Combination or conduct a tender offer will be made by the Company, solely in its discretion. The Public Shareholders will be entitled to redeem their Public Shares for a pro rata portion of the amount then in the Trust Account (initially anticipated to be \$10.00 per Public Share). The per-share amount to be distributed to Public Shareholders who redeem their Public Shares will not be reduced by the deferred underwriting commissions the Company will pay to the underwriters (as discussed in Note 5). These Public Shares were classified as temporary equity in accordance with the Financial Accounting Standards Board's ("FASB") Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC") Topic 480 "Distinguishing Liabilities from Equity." In such case, the Company will proceed with an Initial Business Combination if the Company has net tangible assets of at least \$5,000,001 upon such consummation of an Initial Business Combination and a majority of the shares voted are voted in favor of the Initial Business Combination. If a shareholder vote is not required by law and the Company does not decide to hold a shareholder vote for business or other legal reasons, the Company will, pursuant to the amended and restated memorandum and articles of association which was adopted upon the consummation of the Initial Public Offering, as amended (the "Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association"), conduct the redemptions pursuant to the tender offer rules of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") and file tender offer documents with the SEC prior to completing an Initial Business Combination. If, however, shareholder approval of the transactions is required by law, or the Company decides to obtain shareholder approval for business or legal reasons, the Company will offer to redeem shares in conjunction with a proxy solicitation pursuant to the proxy rules and not pursuant to the tender offer rules. Additionally, each Public Shareholder may elect to redeem their Public Shares irrespective of whether they vote for or against the proposed transaction. If the Company seeks shareholder approval in connection with an Initial Business Combination, the initial shareholders (as defined below) agreed to vote their Founder Shares (as defined below in Note 4) and any Public Shares purchased during or after the Initial Public Offering in favor of an Initial Business Combination. Subsequent to the consummation of the Initial Public Offering, the Company adopted an insider trading policy which requires insiders to: (i) refrain from purchasing shares during certain blackout periods and when they are in possession of any material non-public information and (ii) to clear all trades with the Company's legal counsel prior to execution. In addition, the initial shareholders agreed to waive their redemption rights with respect to their Founder Shares and Public Shares in connection with the completion of an Initial Business Combination.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association provides that a Public Shareholder, together with any affiliate of such shareholder or any other person with whom such shareholder is acting in concert or as a "group" (as defined under Section 13 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act")), will be restricted from redeeming its shares with respect to more than an aggregate of 15% or more of the Class A ordinary shares sold in the Initial Public Offering, without the prior consent of the Company.

The Sponsor, officers and directors (the "initial shareholders") agreed not to propose an amendment to the Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association (a) that would modify the substance or timing of the Company's obligation to redeem 100% of its Public Shares if the Company does not complete an Initial Business Combination by March 16, 2024, or such later date by which the Company must complete an Initial Business Combination pursuant to an amendment to the Company's Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association (the "Combination Period"), or (b) with respect to any other provision relating to shareholders' rights or pre-Initial Business Combination activity, unless the Company provides the Public Shareholders with the opportunity to redeem their Class A ordinary shares in conjunction with any such amendment.

If the Company is unable to complete an Initial Business Combination within the Combination Period, the Company will (i) cease all operations except for the purpose of winding up; (ii) as promptly as reasonably possible but not more than ten business days thereafter, redeem the Public Shares, at a per-share price, payable in cash, equal to the aggregate amount then on deposit in the Trust Account, including interest earned on the funds held in the Trust Account and not previously released to the Company to pay its tax obligations, if any (less up to \$100,000 of interest to pay dissolution expenses) divided by the number of the then-outstanding Public Shares, which redemption will completely extinguish Public Shareholders' rights as shareholders (including the right to receive further liquidation distributions, if any); and (iii) as promptly as reasonably possible following such redemption, subject to the approval of the remaining shareholders and the board of directors, liquidate and dissolve, subject in the case of clauses (ii) and (iii), to the Company's obligations under Cayman Islands law to provide for claims of creditors and the requirements of other applicable law.

On March 13, 2023, the Company held an extraordinary general meeting of shareholders (the "Extension Meeting") to approve (i) a proposal to amend the Company's Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association (the "First Extension Amendment Proposal") to extend the date by which the Company has to consummate an Initial Business Combination from March 16, 2023 to September 16, 2023 (such extension, the "First Extension" and such date, the "First Extension Date") or such later date by which the Company must complete an Initial Business Combination pursuant to an amendment to the Company's Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association and (ii) a proposal to allow the adjournment of the Extension Meeting to a later date or dates, if necessary, to permit further solicitation and vote of proxies in the event that there are insufficient votes for, or otherwise in connection with, the approval of the Extension Amendment Proposal (the "First Adjournment Proposal"). The First Extension Amendment Proposal was approved. In connection with the vote to approve the First Extension Amendment Proposal, the holders of 28,119,098 Class A ordinary shares of the Company properly exercised their right to redeem their shares for cash at a redemption price of approximately \$10.23 per share, for an aggregate redemption amount of approximately \$287.7 million.

#### Extraordinary General Meeting in lieu of Annual Meeting

On September 15, 2023, the Company held an extraordinary general meeting in lieu of annual meeting of shareholders (the "Extraordinary General Meeting") to approve (i) a proposal to amend the Company's Memorandum and Articles of Association to extend the date by which the Company has to consummate an Initial Business Combination from September 16, 2023 to March 16, 2024 (such proposal, the "Second Extension Amendment Proposal", such extension, the "Second Extension" and March 16, 2024, the "Second Extended Date"), (ii) a proposal to amend the Company's Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association to delete the limitations that the Company shall not consummate a business combination or redeem shares if such actions would cause the Company's net tangible assets to be less than \$5,000,001 (the "Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal"), (iii) a proposal to elect Larry Kudlow as Class I director of the Company's board of directors (the "Director Election Proposal" and, together with the Second Extension Amendment Proposal and the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal, the "Proposal") and (iv) a proposal to alter date or dates, if necessary, to permit further solicitation and vote of proxies in the event that there are insufficient votes for, or otherwise in connection with, the approval of the Proposals (the "Second Extension Amendment Proposal, the Director Election Proposal and the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal, the Director Election Proposal and the Company with the Securities and Exchange Commission on August 31, 2023. The Second Extension Amendment Proposal, the Director Election Proposal and the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal, the Director Election Proposal and the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal, the Director Election Proposal and the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal, the Director Election Proposal and the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal, the Director Election Proposal and the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal, the Director Election Pro

The Sponsor has agreed to waive their liquidation rights with respect to the Founder Shares if the Company fails to complete an Initial Business Combination within the Combination Period. However, if the Sponsor or members of the Company's management team acquire Public Shares in or after the Initial Public Offering, they will be entitled to liquidating distributions from the Trust Account with respect to such Public Shares if the Company fails to complete an Initial Business Combination within the Combination Period. The underwriters agreed to waive their rights to their deferred underwriting commission (see Note 5) held in the Trust Account in the event the Company does not complete an Initial Business Combination within the Combination Period, and, in such event, such amounts will be included with the other funds held in the Trust Account that will be available to fund the redemption of the Public Shares. In the event of such distribution, it is possible that the per share value of the residual assets remaining available for distribution (including Trust Account assets) will be only \$10.00 per share initially held in the Trust Account. In order to protect the amounts held in the Trust Account, the Sponsor agreed to be liable to the Company if and to the extent any claims by a third party for services rendered or products sold to the Company, or a prospective target business with which the Company has discussed entering into a transaction agreement, reduce the amount of funds in the Trust Account. This liability will not apply with respect to any claims by a third party who executed a waiver of any right, title, interest or claim of any kind in or to any monies held in the Trust Account or to any claims under "Securities Act"). Moreover, in the event that an executed waiver is deemed to be unenforceable against a third party, the Sponsor will not be responsible to the extent of any liability for such third-party claims. The Company will seek to reduce the possibility that the Sponsor will have to indemnify th

#### **Terminated Business Combination**

On January 17, 2023, the Company entered into a Business Combination Agreement (the "Business Combination Agreement"), with APRINOIA Therapeutics Inc., an exempted company incorporated with limited liability under the laws of the Cayman Islands ("APRINOIA"), APRINOIA Therapeutics Holdings Limited, an exempted company incorporated with limited liability under the laws of the Cayman Islands ("PubCo"), APRINOIA Therapeutics Merger Sub 1, Inc., an exempted company incorporated with limited liability under the laws of the Cayman Islands ("PubCo"), APRINOIA Therapeutics Merger Sub 1, Inc., an exempted company incorporated with limited liability under the laws of the Cayman Islands ("PubCo"), APRINOIA Therapeutics Merger Sub 1, Inc., an exempted company incorporated with limited liability under the laws of the Cayman Islands and a direct wholly-owned subsidiary of PubCo ("Merger Sub 1"), Merger Sub 2 and Merger Sub 3 (Merger Sub 3, together with Merger Sub 1 and Merger Sub 2, the "Merger Subs"). The transactions contemplated by the Business Combination Agreement are referred to herein as the "Terminated Business Combination."

The terms of the Terminated Business Combination and the other transactions contemplated thereby are summarized in the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on January 18, 2023.

Effective as of August 21, 2023 and in accordance with Section 11.01(a) of the Business Combination Agreement, RAC, APRINOIA, PubCo and the Merger Subs mutually agreed to terminate the Business Combination Agreement and, consequently, the other Transaction Documents (as defined in the Business Combination Agreement) pursuant to the terms of a termination agreement entered into by and between each of the parties to the Business Combination Agreement (the "Termination Agreement"). Further, under the Termination Agreement, each of RAC, Merger Sub 2 and Merger Sub 3 released APRINOIA, PubCo and Merger Sub 1, and each of their representatives, affiliates, agents and assigns, and each of APRINOIA, PubCo and Merger Sub 1 released RAC, Merger Sub 2 and Merger Sub 3, and each of their representatives, affiliates, agents and assigns, for any claims, causes of action, liabilities or damages, except for certain provisions that survive the termination pursuant to the terms of the Business Combination Agreement. Further details regarding the termination and the Termination Agreement may be found in the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on August 21, 2023.

#### **Risks and Uncertainties**

Management continues to evaluate the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, rising interest rates and increased inflation on the Company's objectives and has concluded that while it is reasonably possible that the virus, interest rates and/or inflation could have a negative effect on the Company's financial position, results of its operations, and/or search for a target company, the specific impact is not readily determinable as of the date of these unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements. The unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements do not include any adjustments that might result from the outcome of this uncertainty.

Management is currently evaluating the impact of the current global economic uncertainty, rising interest rates, high inflation, high energy prices, supply chain disruptions, the Israel – Hamas conflict and the Russia – Ukraine war (including the impact of any sanctions imposed in response thereto) and has concluded that while it is reasonably possible that any of these could have a negative effect on our financial position, results of operations and/or search for a target company, the specific impact is not readily determinable as of the date of these unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements. The unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements that might result from the outcome of this uncertainty. We cannot at this time fully predict the likelihood of one or more of the above events, their duration or magnitude or the extent to which they may negatively impact our business and our ability to complete an initial Business Combination.

#### Liquidity and Going Concern

As of September 30, 2023, the Company had approximately \$10,000 in its operating bank account and working capital deficit of approximately \$7.6 million.

The Company's liquidity needs through September 30, 2023 and prior were satisfied through a payment of \$25,000 from the Sponsor to purchase certain expenses in exchange for the issuance of the Founder Shares, the loan of approximately \$90,000 from the Sponsor under the Note (as defined in Note 5), and the proceeds from the consummation of the Private Placement not held in the Trust Account. The Company repaid the Note in full on March 19, 2021. In addition, in order to finance transaction costs in connection with an Initial Business Combination, the Sponsor or an affiliate of the Sponsor, or certain of the Company's officers and directors may, but are not obligated to, provide the Company Working Capital Loans (as defined in Note 5).

On November 14, 2023, to document the deposits by the Sponsor into the Trust Account in connection with the implementation of the Second Extension Amendment Proposal, the Company issued a promissory note (the "Extension Note") in the aggregate principal amount of up to \$450,000 to the Sponsor. Pursuant to the Extension Note, and in connection with the implementation of the Second Extension Amendment Proposal, the Sponsor may, but will not be obligated to, deposit \$75,000 for each calendar month (commencing on September 16, 2023 and ending on the 15th day of each subsequent month), or portion thereof, that is needed by the Company to complete an Initial Business Combination until March 16, 2024, resulting in a maximum contribution of \$450,000 (the "Maximum Extension Payment"). If the Sponsor advises the Company will, as promptly as reasonably possible but not more than ten business days thereafter, redeem the Public Shares at a personable in cash, equal to the aggregate amount then on deposit in the Trust Account, including interest earned on the funds held in the Trust Account and not previously released to the Company to pay its tax obligations, if any (less up to \$100,000 of interest to pay dissolution expenses) divided by the number of the then-outstanding Public Shares, which redemption will completely extinguish Public Shareholders' rights as shareholders (including the right to receive further liquidating distributions, if any). The Extension Note bears no interest and is repayable in full upon (a) the date of the consummation of an Initial Business Combination dues not close, the Company completes an Initial Business Combination, the Company will repay the Extension Note out of the proceeds of the Trust Account released to the Company completes an Initial Business Combination, the Company will repay the Extension Note out of the proceeds held outside the Trust Account to repay the Extension Note out of the proceeds held outside the Trust Account to repay the Extension Note out of the proceeds held outsid

On November 14, 2023, to document existing and future Working Capital Loans, the Company issued an unsecured, convertible promissory note (the "Convertible Note") to the Sponsor, pursuant to which the Company can borrow up to \$1,500,000 from the Sponsor, for ongoing expenses reasonably related to the business of the Company and the consummation of a Business Combination. All unpaid principal under the Convertible Note will be due and payable in full on the earlier of (i) March 16, 2024, or such later date by which the Company must consummate a Business Combination pursuant to its Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association (as may be amended by shareholder vote) and (ii) the effective date of a Business Combination (such earlier date, the "Maturity Date"). The Sponsor has the option, at any time on or prior to the Maturity Date, to convert any amounts outstanding under the Convertible Note, up to an aggregate amount of \$1,500,000, into warrants to purchase Class A ordinary shares of the Company, at a conversion price of \$1.50 per warrant, with each warrant entitling the holder to purchase one Class A ordinary share at a price of \$11.50 per share, subject to the same adjustments applicable to the Private Placement Warrants sold concurrently with the Company's Initial Public Offering.

If the Company is required to seek additional capital, the Company would need to borrow additional funds from the Sponsor, the Company's management team or other third parties to operate or may be forced to liquidate. Except with respect to the Extension Note and the Convertible Note, none of the Sponsor, members of the management team nor any of their affiliates is under any obligation to advance funds to the Company in such circumstances. If the Company completes an Initial Business Combination, the Company will repay the Convertible Note out of the proceeds of the Trust Account released to the Company (unless the Sponsor elects to convert the outstanding balance into warrants). Otherwise, the Convertible Note would be repaid only out of funds held outside the Trust Account. In the event that an Initial Business Combination does not close, the Company may use a portion of the proceeds held outside the Trust Account to repay the Convertible Note but no proceeds held in the Trust Account would be used to repay the Convertible Note.

In connection with the Company's assessment of going concern considerations in accordance with Financial Accounting Standard Board's Accounting Standards Update ("ASU") 2014-15, "Disclosures of Uncertainties about an Entity's Ability to Continue as a Going Concern," the Company has until March 16, 2024 to consummate an Initial Business Combination. As previously reported, on January 17, 2023, the Company signed the Business Combination Agreement with, among other parties, APRINOIA Therapeutics, Inc. On August 21, 2023, as previously reported, the Business Combination Agreement was terminated. On September 15, 2023, the Company's shareholders voted to extend the date by which the Company has to consummate an Initial Business Combination from September 16, 2023 to March 16, 2024 or such later date by which the Company must complete an Initial Business Combination pursuant to an amendment to the Company's Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association. It is uncertain that the Company will be able to consummate another Initial Business Combination by March 16, 2024. Additionally, the Company may not have sufficient liquidity to fund the working capital needs of the Company until one year from the issuance of these unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements. If an Initial Business Combination and mandatory liquidation, should an Initial Business Combination not occur, and potential subsequent dissolution, raises substantial doubt about the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. No adjustments have been made to the carrying amounts of assets or liabilities should the Company be required to liquidate after March 16, 2024.

#### ROSS ACQUISITION CORP II NOTES TO UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS Note 2 - Basis of Presentation and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

#### **Basis of Presentation**

The accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements are presented in U.S. dollars in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP") for interim consolidated financial information and with the instructions to Form 10-Q and Article 8 of Regulation S-X and pursuant to the rules and regulations of the SEC. Accordingly, certain disclosures included in the annual financial statements have been condensed or omitted from these unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements under U.S. GAAP and the rules of the SEC. In the opinion of management, the unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements reflect all adjustments, which include only normal recurring adjustments necessary for the fair statement of the balances and results for the period presented. Operating results for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, and since inception are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected through December 31, 2023, or any future period.

The accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with the audited financial statements and notes thereto included in the Annual Report on Form 10-K filed by the Company with the SEC on April 6, 2023.

#### **Principles of Consolidation**

The accompanying condensed consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the Company and its wholly owned subsidiary. All significant intercompany balances and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation.

#### **Emerging Growth Company**

The Company is an "emerging growth company," as defined in Section 2(a) of the Securities Act, as modified by the Jumpstart Our Business Startups Act of 2012 (the "JOBS Act"), and it may take advantage of certain exemptions from various reporting requirements that are applicable to other public companies that are not emerging growth companies including, but not limited to, not being required to comply with the independent registered public accounting firm attestation requirements of Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act, reduced disclosure obligations regarding executive compensation in its periodic reports and proxy statements, and exemptions from the requirements of holding a nonbinding advisory vote on executive compensation and shareholder approval of any golden parachute payments not previously approved.

Further, Section 102(b)(1) of the JOBS Act exempts emerging growth companies from being required to comply with new or revised financial accounting standards until private companies (that is, those that have not had a Securities Act registration statement declared effective or do not have a class of securities registered under the Exchange Act) are required to comply with the new or revised financial accounting standards. The JOBS Act provides that an emerging growth company can elect to opt out of the extended transition period and comply with the requirements that apply to non-emerging growth companies but any such an election to opt out is irrevocable. The Company has elected not to opt out of such extended transition period, which means that when a standard is issued or revised and it has different application dates for public or private companies, the Company, as an emerging growth company, can adopt the new or revised standard at the time private companies adopt the new or revised standard.

This may make comparison of the Company's unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements with another public company that is neither an emerging growth company nor an emerging growth company that has opted out of using the extended transition period difficult or impossible because of the potential differences in accounting standards used.

#### Use of Estimates

The preparation of these unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires the Company's management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements and the reported amounts of income and expenses during the reporting period. Making estimates requires management to exercise significant judgment. It is at least reasonably possible that the estimate of the effect of a condition, situation or set of circumstances that existed at the date of the unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements, which management considered in formulating its estimate, could change in the near term due to one or more future confirming events. Accordingly, the actual results could differ significantly from those estimates.

#### **Concentration of Credit Risk**

Financial instruments that potentially subject the Company to concentrations of credit risk consist of cash accounts in a financial institution, which, at times, may exceed the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation coverage limit of \$250,000. The Company has significant cash balances at financial institutions which throughout the year regularly exceed the federally insured limit of \$250,000. Any loss incurred or a lack of access to such funds could have a significant adverse impact on the Company's financial condition, results of operations, and cash flows.

#### Cash and Cash Equivalents

The Company considers all short-term investments with an original maturity of three months or less when purchased to be cash equivalents. The Company had no cash equivalents as of September 30, 2023 or December 31, 2022.

#### Cash and Investments Held in the Trust Account

#### The Company's Trust Account consists of cash as of September 30, 2023.

Until the end of March 2023, the Company's portfolio of investments was comprised of U.S. government securities, within the meaning set forth in Section 2(a)(16) of the Investment Company Act, with a maturity of 185 days or less, or investments in money market funds that invest in U.S. government securities and generally have a readily determinable fair value, or cash, or a combination thereof. When the Company's investments held in the Trust Account were comprised of U.S. government securities, the investments were classified as trading securities. When the Company's investments held in the Trust Account were comprised of money market funds, the investments were recognized at fair value. Trading securities and investments in money market funds were presented on the condensed consolidated balance sheets at fair value at the end of each reporting period. Gains and losses resulting from the change in fair value of these securities was included in income from investments held in the Trust Account were determined using available market information.

#### Fair Value of Financial Instruments

The fair value of the Company's assets and liabilities, which qualify as financial instruments under the FASB ASC Topic 820, "Fair Value Measurements," equal or approximate the carrying amounts represented in the condensed consolidated balance sheets, except for the warrant liabilities (see Note 9).

#### Fair Value Measurements

Fair value is defined as the price that would be received for sale of an asset or paid for transfer of a liability, in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. GAAP establishes a three-tier fair value hierarchy, which prioritizes the inputs used in measuring fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1 measurements) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3 measurements). These tiers consist of:

- Level 1, defined as observable inputs such as quoted prices (unadjusted) for identical instruments in active markets;
- Level 2, defined as inputs other than quoted prices in active markets that are either directly or indirectly observable such as quoted prices for similar instruments in active markets or quoted prices for identical or similar instruments in markets that are not active; and
- Level 3, defined as unobservable inputs in which little or no market data exists, therefore requiring an entity to develop its own assumptions, such as valuations derived from valuation techniques in which one or more significant inputs or significant value drivers are unobservable.

In some circumstances, the inputs used to measure fair value might be categorized within different levels of the fair value hierarchy. In those instances, the fair value measurement is categorized in its entirety in the fair value hierarchy based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement.



#### Derivative Warrant Liabilities

The Company does not use derivative instruments to hedge exposures to cash flow, market, or foreign currency risks. The Company evaluates all of its financial instruments, including issued share purchase warrants, to determine if such instruments are derivatives or contain features that qualify as embedded derivatives, pursuant to ASC 480 and FASB ASC Topic 815, "Derivatives and Hedging" ("ASC 815"). The classification of derivative instruments, including whether such instruments should be recorded as liabilities or as equity, is re-assessed at the end of each reporting period.

The Public Warrants and the Private Placement Warrants are recognized as derivative liabilities in accordance with ASC 815. Accordingly, the Company recognizes the warrant instruments as liabilities at fair value and adjusts the carrying value of the instruments to fair value at each reporting period until they are exercised. The initial fair value of the Public Warrants issued in connection with the Initial Public Offering were estimated using a Lattice model and the Private Placement Warrants were estimated using Lattice model. The fair value of the Public Warrants as of September 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022 is based on observable listed prices for such warrants. As the transfer of Private Placement Warrants to anyone who is not a permitted transferee would result in the Private Placement Warrants having substantially the same terms as the Public Warrants, the Company determined that the fair value of each Private Placement Warrant is equivalent to that of each Public Warrant. The determination of the fair value of the warrant liabilities are classified as non-current liabilities as their liquidation is not reasonably expected to require the use of current assets or require the creation of current liabilities.

#### Offering Costs Associated with the Initial Public Offering

Offering costs consisted of legal, accounting, underwriting fees and other costs incurred through the Initial Public Offering that were directly related to the Initial Public Offering. Offering costs were allocated to the separable financial instruments issued in the Initial Public Offering based on a relative fair value basis, compared to total proceeds received. Offering costs associated with derivative warrant liabilities were expensed as incurred and presented as non-operating expenses in the unaudited condensed consolidated statements of operations. Offering costs associated with the Class A ordinary shares issued were charged against the carrying value of the Class A ordinary shares subject to possible redemption upon the completion of the Initial Public Offering. The Company classifies deferred underwriting commissions as non-current liabilities as their liquidation is not reasonably expected to require the use of current assets or require the creation of current liabilities.

#### Class A Ordinary Shares Subject to Possible Redemption

The Company accounts for its Class A ordinary shares subject to possible redemption in accordance with the guidance in ASC Topic 480 "Distinguishing Liabilities from Equity." Class A ordinary shares subject to mandatory redemption (if any) is classified as liability instruments and are measured at fair value. Conditionally redeemable Class A ordinary shares (including Class A ordinary shares that features redemption rights that are either within the control of the holder or subject to redemption upon the occurrence of uncertain events not solely within the Company's control) are classified as temporary equity. At all other times, Class A ordinary shares is classified as shareholders' equity. The Company's Class A ordinary shares feature certain redemption rights that are considered to be outside of the Company's control and subject to the occurrence of uncertain future events. Accordingly, as of September 30, 2023 (including the consummation of the over-allotment), 5,041,098 Class A ordinary shares subject to possible redemption is presented at redemption value as temporary equity, outside of the shareholders' deficit section of the Company's balance sheets.

The Company recognizes changes in redemption value immediately as they occur and adjusts the carrying value of the Class A ordinary shares subject to possible redemption to equal the redemption value at the end of each reporting period. This method would view the end of the reporting period as if it were also the redemption date for the security. Effective with the closing of the Initial Public Offering (including the consummation of the over-allotment), the Company recognized the accretion from initial book value to redemption amount, which resulted in charges against additional paid-in capital (to the extent available) and accumulated deficit.



#### Income Taxes

The Company complies with the accounting and reporting requirements of ASC Topic 740, "Income Taxes," which prescribes a recognition threshold and a measurement attribute for the unaudited condensed consolidated financial statement recognition and measurement of tax positions taken or expected to be taken in a tax return. For those benefits to be recognized, a tax position must be more-likely-than-not to be sustained upon examination by taxing authorities. The Company's management determined that the Cayman Islands is the Company's only major tax jurisdiction. The Company recognizes accrued interest and penalties related to unrecognized tax benefits as income tax expense. There were no unrecognized tax benefits as of September 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022. The Company is currently not aware of any issues under review that could result in significant payments, accruals or material deviation from its position.

There is currently no taxation imposed on income by the Government of the Cayman Islands. In accordance with Cayman federal income tax regulations, income taxes are not levied on the Company. Consequently, income taxes are not reflected in the Company's unaudited condensed consolidated financial statement. The Company's management does not expect that the total amount of unrecognized tax benefits will materially change over the next twelve months.

#### Net Income per Ordinary Share

The Company complies with accounting and disclosure requirements of FASB ASC Topic 260, "Earnings Per Share." The Company has two classes of shares, which are referred to as Class A ordinary shares and Class B ordinary shares. Income and losses are shared pro rata between the two classes of shares. This presentation assumes an Initial Business Combination as the most likely outcome. Net income per ordinary share is calculated by dividing the net income by the weighted average shares of ordinary shares outstanding for the respective period.

The calculation of diluted net income does not consider the effect of the warrants underlying the Units sold in the Initial Public Offering (including the consummation of the over-allotment) and the private placement warrants to purchase an aggregate of 17,433,333 Class A ordinary shares in the calculation of diluted income per share, because in the calculation of diluted income per share, their exercise is contingent upon future events. As a result, diluted net income per share is the same as basic net income per share for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023 and 2022. All accretion associated with the redeemable Class A ordinary shares is excluded from earnings per share as the redemption value approximates fair value.

The table below presents a reconciliation of the numerator used to compute basic and diluted net income per ordinary share:

	For The Three Months Ended September 30,								
		20	)23		2022			22	
		Class A		Class B		Class A		Class B	
Basic and diluted net income per ordinary share:									
Numerator:									
Allocation of net income	\$	859,580	\$	1,203,072	\$	2,672,268	\$	668,067	
Denominator:									
Basic and diluted weighted average ordinary shares outstanding		6,162,456		8,625,000		34,500,000		8,625,000	
Basic and diluted net income per ordinary share	\$	0.14	\$	0.14	\$	0.08	\$	0.08	
	For The Nine Months Ended September 30,								
		2	2023		2022				
		Class A		Class B		Class A		Class B	
Basic and diluted net income per ordinary share:									
Numerator:									
Allocation of net income	\$	2,129,309	\$	1,338,255	\$	10,702,284	\$	2,675,571	
Denominator:									
Basic and diluted weighted average ordinary shares outstanding		13,723,312		8,625,000		34,500,000		8,625,000	
Basic and diluted net income per ordinary share	\$	0.16	\$	0.16	\$	0.31	\$	0.31	

#### **Recent Accounting Pronouncements**

In June 2022, the FASB issued ASU 2022-03, ASC Subtopic 820 "Fair Value Measurement of Equity Securities Subject to Contractual Sale Restrictions". The ASU amends ASC 820 to clarify that a contractual sales restriction is not considered in measuring an equity security at fair value and to introduce new disclosure requirements for equity securities subject to contractual sale restrictions that are measured at fair value. The ASU applies to both holders and issuers of equity and equity-linked securities measured at fair value. The amendments in this ASU are effective for the Company in fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2023, and interim periods within those fiscal years. Early adoption is permitted for both interim and annual financial statements that have not yet been issued or made available for issuance. The Company is still evaluating the impact of this pronouncement on the unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements.

In June 2016, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update ("ASU") 2016-13 – Financial Instruments – Credit Losses (Topic 326): Measurement of Credit Losses on Financial Instruments ("ASU 2016-13"). This update requires financial assets measured at amortized cost basis to be presented at the net amount expected to be collected. The measurement of expected credit losses is based on relevant information about past events, including historical experience, current conditions, and reasonable and supportable forecasts that affect the collectability of the reported amount. Since June 2016, the FASB issued clarifying updates to the new standard including changing the effective date for smaller reporting companies. The guidance is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2022, and interim periods within those fiscal years, with early adoption permitted. The Company adopted ASU 2016-13 on January 1, 2023. The adoption of ASU 2016-13 did not have a material impact on its condensed financial statements.

The Company's management does not believe that any other recently issued, but not yet effective, accounting standards updates, if currently adopted, would have a material effect on the Company's unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements.

#### Note 3 - Initial Public Offering

On March 16, 2021, the Company consummated its Initial Public Offering of 34,500,000 Units, including the issuance of 4,500,000 Over-Allotment Units, as a result of the underwriter's partial exercise of its over-allotment option, at \$10.00 per Unit, generating gross proceeds of \$345.0 million, and incurring offering costs of approximately \$19.9 million, of which approximately \$12.1 million was for deferred underwriting commissions.

Each Unit consists of one share of Class A ordinary share, and one-third of one redeemable warrant (each, a "Public Warrant"). Each Public Warrant entitles the holder to purchase one share of Class A ordinary share at an exercise price of \$11.50 per share, subject to adjustment (see Note 6).

On March 13, 2023, the Company held an extraordinary general meeting of shareholders (the "Extension Meeting") to approve (i) a proposal to amend the Company's amended and restated memorandum and articles of association (the "First Extension Amendment Proposal") to extend the date by which the Company has to consummate an Initial Business Combination from March 16, 2023 to September 16, 2023 and (ii) a proposal to allow the adjournment of the Extension Meeting to a later date or dates, if necessary, to permit further solicitation and vote of proxies in the event that there are insufficient votes for, or otherwise in connection with, the approval of the First Extension Amendment Proposal (the "First Adjournment Proposal"). The First Extension Amendment Proposal was approved. In connection with the vote to approve the First Extension Amendment Proposal, the holders of 28,119,098 Class A ordinary shares of the Company properly exercised their right to redeem their shares for cash at a redemption price of approximately \$10.23 per share, for an aggregate redemption amount of approximately \$287.7 million.

On September 15, 2023, the Company held an extraordinary general meeting in lieu of annual meeting of shareholders (the "Extraordinary General Meeting") to approve (i) a proposal to amend the Company's Memorandum and Articles of Association to extend the date by which the Company has to consummate an Initial Business Combination from September 16, 2023 to March 16, 2024 (such proposal, the "Second Extension Amendment Proposal", such extension, the "Second Extension" and March 16, 2024, the "Second Extended Date"), (ii) a proposal to amend the Company's Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association to delete the limitations that the Company shall not consummate a business combination or redeem shares if such actions would cause the Company's net tangible assets to be less than \$5,000,001 (the "Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal"), (iii) a proposal to elect Larry Kudlow as Class I director of the Company's board of directors (the "Director Election Proposal" and, together with the Second Extension Amendment Proposal and the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal. Meeting to a later date or dates, if necessary, to permit further solicitation and vote of proxies in the event that there are insufficient votes for, or otherwise in connection with, the approval of the Proposals (the "Second Extension Amendment Proposal, the Director Election Proposal and the Company with the Securities and Exchange Commission on August 31, 2023. The Second Extension Amendment Proposal, the Director Election Proposal and the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal, the Director Election Limitation Amendment Proposal, the Second Extension on August 31, 2023. The Second Extension Amendment Proposal, the Director Election Proposal and the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal, the Director Election Proposal and the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal, the Director Election Proposal and the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal were each approved. In connection with the vote to approve the Second Extension



#### **Note 4 - Related Party Transactions**

#### Founder Shares

On January 22, 2021, the Sponsor paid \$25,000 to cover certain expenses on behalf of the Company in exchange for issuance of 8,625,000 Class B ordinary shares, par value \$0.0001 (the "Founder Shares"). The Sponsor agreed to forfeit up to 1,125,000 Founder Shares to the extent that the over-allotment option was not exercised in full by the underwriters, so that the Founder Shares would represent 20.0% of the Company's issued and outstanding shares after the Initial Public Offering. On March 16, 2021, the underwriter fully exercised its over-allotment option; thus, these 1,125,000 Founder Shares were no longer subject to forfeiture.

The initial shareholders agreed, subject to limited exceptions, not to transfer, assign or sell any of their Founder Shares until the earlier to occur of: (A) one year after the completion of an Initial Business Combination and (B) subsequent to an Initial Business Combination, (x) if the closing price of the Class A ordinary shares equals or exceeds \$12.00 per share (as adjusted for share subdivisions, share capitalizations, reorganizations, recapitalizations and the like) for any 20 trading days within any 30-trading day period commencing at least 150 days after the Initial Business Combination, or (y) the date on which the Company completes a liquidation, merger, share exchange or other similar transaction that results in all of the Public Shareholders having the right to exchange their ordinary shares for cash, securities or other property.

#### **Private Placement Warrants**

Simultaneously with the closing of the Initial Public Offering, the Company consummated the Private Placement of 5,933,333 Private Placement Warrants, at a price of \$1.50 per Private Placement Warrant with the Sponsor, generating gross proceeds of \$8.9 million.

Each whole Private Placement Warrant is exercisable for one whole Class A ordinary share at a price of \$11.50 per share. A portion of the proceeds from the Private Placement Warrants was added to the proceeds from the Initial Public Offering held in the Trust Account. If the Company does not complete an Initial Business Combination within the Combination Period, the Private Placement Warrants will expire worthless. The Private Placement Warrants will be non-redeemable and exercisable on a cashless basis so long as they are held by the Sponsor or its permitted transferees.

The Sponsor and the Company's officers and directors agreed, subject to limited exceptions, not to transfer, assign or sell any of their Private Placement Warrants until 30 days after the completion of an Initial Business Combination.

#### **Related Party Loans**

On January 21, 2021, the Sponsor agreed to loan the Company an aggregate of up to \$300,000 to cover for expenses related to the Initial Public Offering pursuant to a promissory note (the "Note"). This loan was non-interest bearing and payable upon the completion of the Initial Public Offering. As of March 16, 2021, the Company borrowed approximately \$90,000 under the Note. The Company repaid the Note in full on March 19, 2021. Subsequent to the repayment, the facility was no longer available to the Company.

On November 6, 2023, to document the deposits by the Sponsor into the Trust Account in connection with the implementation of the Second Extension Amendment Proposal, the Company issued the Extension Note in the aggregate principal amount of up to \$450,000 to the Sponsor. Pursuant to the Extension Note, and in connection with the implementation of the Second Extension Amendment Proposal, the Sponsor may, but will not be obligated to, deposit \$75,000 for each calendar month (commencing on September 16, 2023 and ending on the 15th day of each subsequent month), or portion thereof, that is needed by the Company to complete an Initial Business Combination until March 16, 2024, resulting in a Maximum Extension Payment of \$450,000. If the Sponsor advises the Company that it will not deposit the next \$75,000 payment, then the Company will, as promptly as reasonably possible but not more than ten business days thereafter, redeem the Public Shares at a per-share price, payable in cash, equal to the aggregate amount then on deposit in the Trust Account, including interest earned on the funds held in the Trust Account and not previously released to the Company to pay its tax obligations, if any (less up to \$100,000 of interest to pay dissolution expenses) divided by the number of the then-outstanding Public Shares, which redemption will completely extinguish Public Sharesholders' rights as shareholders (including the right to receive further liquidating distributions, if any). The Extension Note bears no interest and is repayable in full upon (a) the date of the consummation of an Initial Business Combination, and (b) the date of the liquidation of the Company. If the Company will repay the Extension Note out of the proceeds held in the Trust Account released to the Company. Otherwise, the Extension Note would be repaid only out of funds held outside the Trust Account. In the event that an Initial Business Combination does not close, the Company may use a portion of the proceeds held outside the Trust Account to repay the

In order to finance transaction costs in connection with an Initial Business Combination, the Sponsor or an affiliate of the Sponsor, or certain of the Company's officers and directors may loan the Company funds as may be required ("Working Capital Loans"). On November 14, 2023, to document existing and future Working Capital Loans, the Company issued the Convertible Note, an unsecured, convertible promissory note, to the Sponsor, pursuant to which the Company can borrow up to \$1,500,000 from the Sponsor, for ongoing expenses reasonably related to the business of the Company and the consummation of a Business Combination. All unpaid principal under the Convertible Note will be due and payable in full on the Maturity Date, which is the earlier of (i) March 16, 2024, or such later date by which the Company must consummate a Business Combination pursuant to its Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association (as may be amended by shareholder vote) and (ii) the effective date of a Business Combination. The Sponsor has the option, at any time on or prior to the Maturity Date, to convert any amounts outstanding under the Convertible Note, up to an aggregate amount of \$1,500,000, into warrants to purchase Class A ordinary shares of the Company, at a conversion price of \$1.50 per warrant, with each warrant entitling the holder to purchase one Class A ordinary share at a price of \$11.50 per share, subject to the same adjustments applicable to the Private Placement Warrants sold concurrently with the Company's Initial Public Offering. If the Company completes an Initial Business Combination, the Company will repay the Working Capital Loans but no proceeds held only out of funds held outside the Trust Account. In the event that an Initial Business Combination does not close, the Company may use a portion of the proceeds held outside the Trust Account to repay the Working Capital Loans but no proceeds held in the Trust Account would be used to repay the Working Capital Loans.

If the Company is required to seek additional capital, the Company would need to borrow additional funds from the Sponsor, the Company's management team or other third parties to operate or may be forced to liquidate. Except with respect to the Extension Note and the Convertible Note, none of the Sponsor, members of the management team nor any of their affiliates is under any obligation to advance funds to the Company in such circumstances.

#### Administrative Support Agreement

Commencing on the date that the Company's securities were first listed on the New York Stock Exchange, the Company agreed to pay the Sponsor a total of \$10,000 per month for office space, secretarial and administrative services. Upon completion of the Initial Business Combination or the Company's liquidation, the Company will cease paying these monthly fees. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, the Company incurred expenses of \$30,000 and \$90,000 under this agreement, respectively. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2022, the Company incurred expenses of \$30,000 and \$90,000 under this agreement, respectively. As of September 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022, the Company had accrued approximately \$270,000 and \$180,000 for services in connection with such agreement which are reported as accounts

payable on the accompanying condensed consolidated balance sheets, respectively.

#### Due to Related Party

As of September 30, 2023, the Sponsor has paid for Company payables totaling \$243,605 on behalf of the Company and a total of \$61,029 expenses paid by management employees. \$304,634 and \$0 are included in due to related party on the balance sheets as of September 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022, respectively.

#### Note 5 - Commitments and Contingencies

#### Note Payable

On March 31, 2023, the Company and APRINOIA entered into an Advance Agreement (the "Advance Agreement"), pursuant to which APRINOIA agreed to advance to the Company up to \$990,000, to deposit into the Company's trust account for the benefit of the holders of Class A ordinary shares of the Company that were not redeemed in connection with the extension of the Company's termination date from March 16, 2023 to September 16, 2023 or such earlier date as determined by the board of directors of the Company. The advances contemplated by the Advance Agreement bear no interest and are repayable in full upon the date of the consummation of transactions contemplated by the Business Combination Agreement or the date of the liquidation of the Company or an event of default of the Company.

APRINOIA advanced the first amount equal to \$165,000 on March 31, 2023. APRINOIA will advance up to five additional equal amounts equal to \$165,000 for each month (commencing on April 16, 2023, and no later than on the 16th day of each subsequent month), or portion thereof, that is needed by the Company to complete an Initial Business Combination until September 16, 2023 or such earlier date as determined by the board of directors of the Company. As of September 30, 2023 there is \$1,065,000 recorded under the Advance Agreement on the condensed consolidated balance sheet. On April 13, 2023, APRINOIA made a second deposit of \$165,000 to the Trust Account. On May 12, 2023, APRINOIA made a third deposit of \$165,000 to the Trust Account. On June 15, 2023, APRINOIA made a fourth deposit of \$165,000 to the Trust Account. On July 12, 2023, APRINOIA made a fifth deposit of \$165,000 to the Trust Account. On August 16, 2023, APRINOIA made a sixth deposit of \$165,000 to the Trust Account.

Effective as of August 21, 2023 and in accordance with Section 11.01(a) of the Business Combination Agreement, the Company, APRINOIA, PubCo and the Merger Subs mutually agreed to terminate the Business Combination Agreement and, consequently, the other Transaction Documents (as defined in the Business Combination Agreement) pursuant to the Termination Agreement. Further, under the Termination Agreement, each of RAC, Merger Sub 2 and Merger Sub 3 released APRINOIA, PubCo and Merger Sub 1, and each of their representatives, affiliates, agents and assigns, and each of APRINOIA, PubCo and Merger Sub 1 released RAC, Merger Sub 2 and Merger Sub 3, and each of their representatives, affiliates, agents and assigns, for any claims, causes of action, liabilities or damages relating to the Business Combination Agreement and the other Transaction Documents, except for certain provisions that survive the termination pursuant to the terms of the Business Combination Agreement, or for breaches of the Termination Agreement. Further details regarding the termination and the Termination Agreement may be found in the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on August 21, 2023. As of September 30, 2023, pursuant to the Termination, the balance under the Advance Agreement was extinguished.

#### **Registration and Shareholder Rights**

The holders of the Founder Shares, Private Placement Warrants and warrants that may be issued upon conversion of the Working Capital Loans, if any, were entitled to registration rights pursuant to a registration and shareholder rights agreement signed upon consummation of the Initial Public Offering. These holders were entitled to certain demand and "piggyback" registration rights. However, the registration and shareholder rights agreement provided that the Company would not permit any registration statement filed under the Securities Act to become effective until the termination of the applicable lock-up period for the securities to be registered. The Company will bear the expenses incurred in connection with the filing of any such registration statements.

#### **Underwriting Agreement**

The Company granted the underwriters a 45-day option from the final prospectus relating to the Initial Public Offering to purchase up to 4,500,000 additional Units to cover over-allotments, if any, at the Initial Public Offering price less the underwriting discounts and commissions. On March 16, 2021, the underwriter fully exercised its over-allotment option.



The underwriters were entitled to an underwriting discount of \$0.20 per unit, or approximately \$6.9 million in the aggregate, paid upon the closing of the Initial Public Offering. In addition, \$0.35 per unit, or approximately \$12.1 million in the aggregate will be payable to the underwriters for deferred underwriting commissions. The deferred fee will become payable to the underwriters from the amounts held in the Trust Account solely in the event that the Company completes an Initial Business Combination, subject to the terms of the underwriting agreement.

On January 19, 2023, the Company received a waiver of underwriter fees from one of the underwriters in which the underwriter waived its entitlement to the payment of any deferred underwriting commission to be paid under the terms of the underwriting agreement. As such, \$6,037,500, has been forgiven of which \$5,579,875 is presented in the unaudited condensed consolidated statement of changes in shareholders deficit and \$457,625 is recognized as a gain on the waiver on the condensed consolidated statement of operations.

On January 23, 2023, the Company received a waiver of underwriter fees from a second underwriter in which the underwriter waived the right to receive its deferred underwriting commissions payable upon the consummation of the Business Combination under the terms of the underwriting agreement. The second underwriter did not waive the right to receive its deferred underwriting commission payable upon the consummation of any other Initial Business Combination.

#### Note 6 - Class A Ordinary Shares Subject to Possible Redemption

The Company's Class A ordinary shares feature certain redemption rights that are considered to be outside of the Company's control and subject to the occurrence of future events. The Company is authorized to issue 100,000,000 Class A ordinary shares with a par value of \$0.0001 per share. Holders of the Company's Class A ordinary shares are entitled to one vote for each share. In connection with the vote to approve the First Extension Amendment Proposal, the holders of 28,119,098 Class A ordinary shares of the Company properly exercised their right to redeem their shares for cash at a redemption price of approximately \$10.23 per share, for an aggregate redemption amount of approximately \$287.7 million. As of September 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022, there were 5,041,098 and 34,500,000 Class A ordinary shares outstanding, which were all subject to possible redemption and are classified outside of permanent equity in the condensed consolidated balance sheets, respectively.

The Class A ordinary shares subject to possible redemption reflected on the balance sheet is reconciled on the following table:

Class A ordinary shares subject to possible redemption as of December 31, 2022	\$ 350,232,362
Less:	
Redemptions	(287,733,456)
Plus:	
Increase in redemption value of Class A ordinary shares subject to possible redemption	(1,812,770)
Gain of Waiver of Deferred Underwriting Fees	5,579,875
Class A ordinary shares subject to possible redemption as of March 31, 2023 (restated) (unaudited)	66,266,011
Plus:	
Increase in redemption value of Class A ordinary shares subject to possible redemption	1,312,516
Class A ordinary shares subject to possible redemption as of June 30, 2023 (unaudited)	67,578,527
Less:	
Redemptions	(14,419,056)
Plus:	
Increase in redemption value of Class A ordinary shares subject to possible redemption	1,068,148
Class A ordinary shares subject to possible redemption as of September 30, 2023 (unaudited)	\$ 54,227,619

#### Note 7 - Shareholders' Deficit

**Preference Shares-** The Company is authorized to issue 1,000,000 preference shares with such designations, voting and other rights and preferences as may be determined from time to time by the Company's board of directors. As of September 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022, there were no preference shares issued or outstanding.

*Class A Ordinary Shares*-The Company is authorized to issue 500,000,000 Class A ordinary shares with a par value of \$0.0001 per share. As of September 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022, there were 5,041,098 and 34,500,000 Class A ordinary shares issued and outstanding. All Class A ordinary shares are subject to possible redemption and have been classified as temporary equity (see Note 6).



*Class B Ordinary Shares*- The Company is authorized to issue 50,000,000 Class B ordinary shares with a par value of \$0.0001 per share. As of September 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022, there were 8,625,000 Class B ordinary shares issued and outstanding.

Holders of the Class A ordinary shares and holders of the Class B ordinary shares will vote together as a single class on all matters submitted to a vote of the shareholders, except as required by law or stock exchange rule; provided that only holders of the Class B ordinary shares have the right to vote on the election of the Company's directors prior to the Initial Business Combination.

The Class B ordinary shares will automatically convert into Class A ordinary shares at the time of the Initial Business Combination at a ratio such that the number of Class A ordinary shares issuable upon conversion of all Founder Shares will equal, in the aggregate, on an as-converted basis, 20% of the sum of (i) the total number of ordinary shares issued and outstanding upon completion of the Initial Public Offering, plus (ii) the total number of Class A ordinary shares issued or deemed issued or issuable upon conversion or exercise of any equity-linked securities or rights issued or deemed issued, by the Company in connection with or in relation to the consummation of the Initial Business Combination, excluding any Class A ordinary shares or equity-linked securities exercisable for or convertible into Class A ordinary shares issued, deemed issued, or to be issued, to any seller in the Initial Business Combination and any Private Placement Warrants issued to the Sponsor, its affiliates or any member of the Company's management team upon conversion of Working Capital Loans. In no event will the Class B ordinary shares convert into Class A ordinary shares at a rate of less than one-to-one.

#### Note 8 - Warrants

As of September 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022, the Company had 11,500,000 Public Warrants and 5,933,333 Private Placement Warrants outstanding. Public Warrants may only be exercised for a whole number of shares.

The Public Warrants will become exercisable on the later of (a) 30 days after the completion of an Initial Business Combination or (b) 12 months from the closing of the Initial Public Offering; provided in each case that the Company has an effective registration statement under the Securities Act covering the Class A ordinary shares issuable upon exercise of the Public Warrants and a current prospectus relating to them is available (or the Company permits holders to exercise their Public Warrants on a cashless basis and such cashless exercise is exempt from registration under the Securities Act). The Company agreed that as soon as practicable, but in no event later than twenty business days after the closing of the Initial Business Combination, the Company will use its commercially reasonable efforts to cause the same to become effective within 60 business days after the closing of the Initial Business Combination, and to maintain the effectiveness of such registration statement and a current prospectus relating to those Class A ordinary shares until the warrants expire or are redeemed, as specified in the warrant agreement provided that if the Class A ordinary shares are at the time of any exercise of a warrant not listed on a national securities exchange such that they satisfy the definition of a "covered security" under Section 18(b)(1) of the Securities Act, the Company may, at its option, require holders of Public Warrants who exercise their warrants to do so on a "cashless basis" in accordance with Section 3(a)(9) of the Securities Act and, in the event the Company so elects, it will not be required to file or maintain in effect a registration statement. If a registration statement and during any period when the Company will have failed to maintain an effective registration statement, exercise warrants on a "cashless as ordinary shares is usable upon exercise of the warrants and to file or maintain in effect a registration statement. If a registration statement covering the Class A ordinary shares issuabl

The warrants have an exercise price of \$11.50 per whole share and will expire five years after the completion of an Initial Business Combination or earlier upon redemption or liquidation.



In addition, if (x) the Company issues additional Class A ordinary shares or equity-linked securities for capital raising purposes in connection with the closing of the Initial Business Combination at an issue price or effective issue price of less than \$9.20 per ordinary share (with such issue price or effective issue price to be determined in good faith by the Company's board of directors and, in the case of any such issuance to the Sponsor or its affiliates, without taking into account any Founder Shares held by the Sponsor or such affiliates, as applicable, prior to such issuance) (the "Newly Issued Price"), (y) the aggregate gross proceeds from such issuances represent more than 60% of the total equity proceeds, and interest thereon, available for the funding of Initial Business Combination on the date of the consummation of the Initial Business Combination (net of redemptions), and (z) the volume weighted average trading price of the Class A ordinary shares during the 20 trading day period starting on the trading day prior to the day on which the Company consummates its Initial Business Combination (such price, the "Market Value") is below \$9.20 per share, the exercise price of the warrants will be adjusted (to the nearest cent) to be equal to 115% of the higher of the Market Value and the Newly Issued Price, the \$18.00" will be adjusted (to the nearest cent) to be equals or exceeds \$10.00" will be adjusted (to the nearest cent) to be equals or exceeds \$10.00" will be adjusted (to the nearest cent) to be equal to 180% of the higher of the Market Value and the Newly Issued Price, and the \$10.00 market Value and the Newly Issued Price, and the \$10.00 per share redemption trigger price described below under "Redemption of warrants when the price per Class A ordinary share equals or exceeds \$10.00" will be adjusted (to the nearest cent) to be equal to 180% of the higher of the Market Value and the Newly Issued Price, and the \$10.00 per share redemption trigger price described below under "Redemption of warran

#### Redemption of warrants for cash when the price per Class A ordinary share equals or exceeds \$18.00.

Once the warrants become exercisable, the Company may redeem the Public Warrants for cash (except with respect to the Private Placement Warrants):

- in whole and not in part;
- at a price of \$0.01 per warrant;
- upon a minimum of 30 days' prior written notice of redemption; and
- if, and only if, the last reported sale price (the "closing price") of the Class A ordinary shares equals or exceeds \$18.00 per share (as adjusted for share splits, share capitalizations, reorganizations, recapitalizations and the like) for any 20 trading days within a 30-trading day period ending on the third trading day prior to the date on which the Company sends the notice of redemption to the warrant holders.

If and when the warrants become redeemable by the Company, the Company may exercise its redemption right even if it is unable to register or qualify the underlying securities for sale under all applicable state securities laws. If the Company calls the Public Warrants for redemption, as described above, management will have the option to require any holder that wishes to exercise the Public Warrants to do so on a "cashless basis," as described in the warrant agreement. Except as set forth below, none of the private placement warrants will be redeemable by us so long as they are held by the Sponsor or its permitted transferees.

#### Redemption of warrants for Class A ordinary shares when the price per Class A ordinary share equals or exceeds \$10.00.

Once the warrants become exercisable, the Company may redeem the outstanding Public Warrants:

- in whole and not in part;
- at \$0.10 per warrant upon a minimum of 30 days' prior written notice of redemption; provided that holders will be able to exercise their warrants on a cashless basis prior to redemption and receive that number of shares based on the agreed redemption date and the "fair market value" of the Company's Class A ordinary shares;
- if, and only if, the last reported sale price (the "closing price") of the Company's Class A ordinary shares equals or exceeds \$10.00 per Public Share (as adjusted) for any 20 trading days within the 30-trading day period ending three trading days before the Company sends the notice of redemption to the warrant holders; and
- the closing price of the Class A ordinary shares for any 20 trading days within a 30-trading day period ending on the third trading day prior to the date on which the Company sends the notice of redemption to the warrant holders is less than \$18.00 per share (as adjusted), the Private Placement Warrants must also be concurrently called for redemption on the same terms as the outstanding Public Warrants, as described above.



The "fair market value" of the Class A ordinary shares for the above purpose shall mean the volume weighted average price of the Class A ordinary shares during the ten trading days immediately following the date on which the notice of redemption is sent to the holders of warrants. In no event will the warrants be exercisable in connection with this redemption feature for more than 0.361 Class A ordinary shares per warrant (subject to adjustment).

If the Company has not completed the Initial Business Combination within the Combination Period and the Company liquidates the funds held in the Trust Account, holders of warrants will not receive any of such funds with respect to their warrants, nor will they receive any distribution from the Company's assets held outside of the Trust Account with the respect to such warrants. Accordingly, the warrants may expire worthless.

#### Note 9 - Fair Value Measurements

The following table presents information about the Company's assets and liabilities that are measured at fair value on a recurring basis as of September 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022 and indicates the fair value hierarchy of the valuation techniques that the Company utilized to determine such fair value:

	September 30, 2023							
Description		Quoted Prices in Active Markets (Level 1)		Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)		Significant Other Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)		
Liabilities: Derivative warrant liabilities – Public warrants	\$		¢	1,265,000	\$			
Derivative warrant liabilities – Private placement warrants	\$	_	\$	652,670	\$ \$	_		
	December 31, 2022							
Description		Quoted Prices in Active Markets (Level 1)		Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)		ficant Other ervable Inputs Level 3)		
Assets:		<u> </u>		· · · · ·		<u>`</u>		
Investments held in Trust Account – U.S Treasury securities	\$	350,332,362	\$	—	\$	—		
Liabilities:								
Derivative warrant liabilities – Public warrants	\$	575,000	\$	_	\$	—		
Derivative warrant liabilities – Private placement warrants	\$	—	\$	296,670	\$	_		

Transfers to/from Levels 1, 2, and 3 are recognized at the beginning of the reporting period. The estimated fair value of Public Warrants was transferred from a Level 3 measurement to a Level 1 measurement, when the Public Warrants were separately listed and traded in an active market in May 2021. The estimated fair value of the Private Warrants was transferred from a Level 3 measurement to a Level 2 fair value measurement as of May 2021, as the transfer of Private Placement Warrants to anyone who is not a permitted transferee would result in the Private Placement Warrants having substantially the same terms as the Public Warrants, the Company determined that the fair value of each Private Placement Warrant is equivalent to that of each Public Warrant. The estimated fair value of the Public Warrants transferred from a Level 1 measurement to a Level 2 fair value measurement, due to lack of activity, during the nine months ended September 30, 2023 was \$1,265,000.

Level 1 assets include investments in U.S. Treasury securities. The Company uses inputs such as actual trade data, quoted market prices from dealers or brokers, and other similar sources to determine the fair value of its investments.

The initial fair value of the Public Warrants issued in connection with the Initial Public Offering were estimated using a Lattice model and the Private Placement Warrants were estimated using Lattice model. For periods subsequent to the detachment of the Public Warrants from the Units, the Public Warrants' traded market price will be used as the fair value. The estimated fair value of the Public Warrants, prior to being traded in an active market, and of the Private Placement Warrants is determined using Level 3 inputs. Inherent in a Lattice model are assumptions related to expected stock-price volatility, expected life, risk-free interest rate and dividend yield. The Company estimates the volatility of its ordinary share warrants based on implied volatility from the Company's traded warrants and from historical volatility of select peer company's ordinary shares that matches the expected remaining life of the warrants. The risk-free interest rate is based on the U.S. Treasury zero-coupon yield curve on the grant date for a maturity similar to the expected remaining life of the warrants. The expected life of the warrants is assumed to be equivalent to their remaining contractual term. The dividend rate is based on the historical rate, which the Company anticipates remaining at zero. Any changes in these assumptions can change the valuation significantly.

For the three months ended September 30, 2023 and 2022, the Company recognized a gain in the unaudited condensed consolidated statements of operations resulting from a decrease in fair value of the derivative warrant liabilities of approximately \$1 million and \$1.4 million, respectively, presented as change in fair value of derivative warrant liabilities in the accompanying unaudited condensed statements of operations. For the nine months ended September 30, 2023 and 2022, the Company recognized a gain in the unaudited condensed consolidated statements of operations resulting from an increase and decrease in fair value of the derivative warrant liabilities of approximately \$1 million and \$14.5 million, respectively, presented as change in fair value of derivative warrant liabilities in the accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated statements of operations resulting from an increase and decrease in fair value of the derivative warrant liabilities of approximately \$1 million and \$14.5 million, respectively, presented as change in fair value of derivative warrant liabilities in the accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated statements of operations.

There were no derivative assets and liabilities, measured with Level 3 inputs, for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023 and 2022.

#### Note 10 - Subsequent Events

The Company evaluated subsequent events and transactions that occurred up to the date unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements were issued. Based upon this review, the Company did not identify any subsequent events that would have required adjustment or disclosure in the unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements.

On November 14, 2023, to document the deposits by the Sponsor into the Trust Account in connection with the implementation of the Second Extension Amendment Proposal, the Company issued the Extension Note in the aggregate principal amount of up to \$450,000 to the Sponsor. Pursuant to the Extension Note, and in connection with the implementation of the Second Extension Amendment Proposal, the Sponsor may, but will not be obligated to, deposit \$75,000 for each calendar month (commencing on September 16, 2023 and ending on the 15th day of each subsequent month), or portion thereof, that is needed by the Company to complete an Initial Business Combination until March 16, 2024, resulting in a Maximum Extension Payment of \$450,000. If the Sponsor advises the Company that it will not deposit the next \$75,000 payment, then the Company will, as promptly as reasonably possible but not more than ten business days thereafter, redeem the Public Shares at a per-share price, payable in cash, equal to the aggregate amount then on deposit in the Trust Account, including interest earned on the funds held in the Trust Account and not previously released to the Company to pay its tax obligations, if any (less up to \$100,000 of interest to pay dissolution expenses) divided by the number of the then-outstanding Public Shares, which redemption will completely extinguish Public Shareholders' rights as shareholders (including the right to receive further liquidating distributions, if any). The Extension Note bears no interest and is repayable in full upon (a) the date of the consummation of an Initial Business Combination, and (b) the date of the liquidation of the Company. Otherwise, the Extension Note would be repaid only out of funds held outside the Trust Account. In the event that an Initial Business Combination does not close, the Company way as a portion of the proceeds held outside the Trust Account to repay the Extension Note but no proceeds held in the Trust Account would be used to repay the Extension Note. As of September 3

On November 14, 2023, to document existing and future Working Capital Loans, the Company issued the Convertible Note, an unsecured, convertible promissory note, to the Sponsor, pursuant to which the Company can borrow up to \$1,500,000 from the Sponsor, for ongoing expenses reasonably related to the business of the Company and the consummation of a Business Combination. All unpaid principal under the Convertible Note will be due and payable in full on the Maturity Date, which is the earlier of (i) March 16, 2024, or such later date by which the Company must consummate a Business Combination pursuant to its Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association (as may be amended by shareholder vote) and (ii) the effective date of a Business Combination. The Sponsor has the option, at any time on or prior to the Maturity Date, to convert any amounts outstanding under the Convertible Note, up to an aggregate amount of \$1,500,000, into warrants to purchase Class A ordinary shares of the Company, at a conversion price of \$1.50 per warrant, with each warrant entitling the holder to purchase one Class A ordinary share at a price of \$11.50 per share, subject to the same adjustments applicable to the Private Placement Warrants sold concurrently with the Company's Initial Public Offering. If the Company completes an Initial Business Combination, the Company will repay the Convertible Note out of the proceeds of the Trust Account released to the Company (unless the Sponsor elects to convert the outstanding balance into warrants). Otherwise, the Convertible Note would be repaid only out of funds held outside the Trust Account. In the event that an Initial Business Combination does not close, the Company may use a portion of the proceeds held outside the Trust Account to repay the Convertible Note.

### Table of Contents Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations.

References to the "Company," "Ross Acquisition Corp. II," "Ross," "our," "us" or "we" refer to Ross Acquisition Corp. II. The following discussion and analysis of the Company's financial condition and results of operations should be read in conjunction with the unaudited interim condensed financial statements and the notes thereto contained elsewhere in this report. Certain information contained in the discussion and analysis set forth below includes forward-looking statements that involve risks and uncertainties.

#### **Cautionary Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements**

This Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q includes forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Exchange Act. We have based these forward-looking statements on our current expectations and projections about future events. These forward-looking statements are subject to known and unknown risks, uncertainties and assumptions about us that may cause our actual results, levels of activity, performance or achievements expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements. In some cases, you can identify forward-looking statements by terminology such as "may," "should," "expect," "plan," "anticipate," "believe," "estimate," "continue," or the negative of such terms or other similar expressions. Factors that might cause or contribute to such a discrepancy include, but are not limited to, those described in our other SEC filings.

#### Overview

We are a blank check company incorporated as a Cayman Islands exempted company on January 19, 2021. We were formed for the purpose of effecting a merger, share exchange, asset acquisition, share purchase, reorganization or similar business combination with one or more businesses. We are an emerging growth company and, as such, we are subject to all of the risks associated with emerging growth companies.

Our Sponsor is Ross Holding Company LLC, a Cayman Islands limited liability company. The registration statement for the Initial Public Offering was declared effective on March 11, 2021. On March 16, 2021, we consummated the Initial Public Offering of 34,500,000 units, including 4,500,000 additional units to cover over-allotments, at \$10.00 per unit, generating gross proceeds of \$345.0 million, and incurring offering costs of approximately \$19.9 million, of which approximately \$12.1 million was for deferred underwriting commissions.

Simultaneously with the closing of the Initial Public Offering, we consummated the private placement of 5,933,333 Private Placement Warrants at a price of \$1.50 per Private Placement Warrant with our Sponsor, generating gross proceeds of \$8.9 million.

Upon the closing of the Initial Public Offering and the private placement, \$345.0 million (\$10.00 per unit) of the net proceeds of the Initial Public Offering and certain of the proceeds of the sale of the Private Placement Warrants were placed in the Trust Account, located in the United States with Continental Stock Transfer & Trust Company acting as trustee, and has been invested only in U.S. "government securities" within the meaning of Section 2(a)(16) of the Investment Company Act, having a maturity of 185 days or less or in money market funds meeting certain conditions under Rule 2a-7 promulgated under the Investment Company Act which invest only in direct U.S. government treasury obligations, as determined by us, or cash, until the earlier of: (i) the completion of an Initial Business Combination and (ii) the distribution of the Trust Account as described below.

#### **Terminated Business Combination**

#### **Business Combination Agreement**

On January 17, 2023, the Company, entered into an initial business combination agreement (the "Business Combination Agreement"), with APRINOIA Therapeutics Inc., an exempted company incorporated with limited liability under the laws of the Cayman Islands ("APRINOIA"), APRINOIA Therapeutics Holdings Limited, an exempted company incorporated with limited liability under the laws of the Cayman Islands ("PubCo"), APRINOIA Therapeutics Merger Sub 1, Inc., an exempted company incorporated with limited liability under the laws of the Cayman Islands ("PubCo"), APRINOIA Therapeutics Merger Sub 1, Inc., an exempted company incorporated with limited liability under the laws of the Cayman Islands and a direct wholly-owned subsidiary of PubCo ("Merger Sub 1"), APRINOIA Therapeutics Merger Sub 2, Inc., an exempted company incorporated with limited liability under the laws of the Cayman Islands and a direct wholly-owned subsidiary of PubCo ("Merger Sub 1"), APRINOIA Therapeutics Merger Sub 2, Inc., an exempted company incorporated with limited liability under the laws of the Cayman Islands and a direct wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company ("Merger Sub 2") and APRINOIA Therapeutics Merger Sub 3, Inc., an exempted company incorporated with limited liability under the laws of the Cayman Islands and a direct wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company ("Merger Sub 3, Inc., an exempted company incorporated with limited liability under the laws of the Cayman Islands and a direct wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company ("Merger Sub 3", together with Merger Sub 1 and Merger Sub 2, the "Merger Subs"). The transactions contemplated by the Business Combination Agreement are referred to herein as the "Terminated Business Combination."),

Effective as of August 21, 2023 and in accordance with Section 11.01(a) of the Business Combination Agreement, the Company, APRINOIA, PubCo and the Merger Subs mutually agreed to terminate the Business Combination Agreement and, consequently, the other Transaction Documents (as defined in the Business Combination Agreement) pursuant to the terms of a termination agreement entered into by and between each of the parties to the Business Combination Agreement (the "Termination Agreement"). Further, under the Termination Agreement, each of RAC, Merger Sub 2 and Merger Sub 3 released APRINOIA, PubCo and Merger Sub 1, and each of their representatives, affiliates, agents and assigns, and each of APRINOIA, PubCo and Merger Sub 1 released RAC, Merger Sub 2 and Merger Sub 3, and each of their representatives, affiliates, agents and assigns, for any claims, causes of action, liabilities or damages relating to the Business Combination Agreement and the other Transaction Documents, except for certain provisions that survive the termination pursuant to the terms of the Business Combination Agreement, or for breaches of the Termination Agreement. Further details regarding the termination and the Termination Agreement may be found in the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on August 21, 2023

#### **Extensions and Redemptions**

On March 13, 2023, we held an extraordinary general meeting (the "Extension Meeting"). At the Extension Meeting, our shareholders approved as a special resolution, the amendment of the Company's amended and restated memorandum and articles of association to extend the date by which we must complete an Initial Business Combination by up to six months in one month increments subject to deposit of \$165,000 into the Trust Account for each month by which such date is extended (the "First Extension"). On March 13, 2023, following the shareholder approval, the Company filed the amendment to the amended and restated memorandum and articles of association with the Registrar of Companies of the Cayman Islands. In connection with the Extension Meeting, shareholders holding 28,119,098 Public Shares exercised their right to redeem such shares for a pro rata portion of the funds held in our Trust Account as of March 9, 2023, including any interest earned on the funds held in the Trust Account (net of taxes payable). As a result, approximately \$287.7 million (approximately \$10.23 per share) was removed from the Trust Account to pay such holders. On March 31, 2023, APRINOIA made a deposit of \$165,000 to the Trust Account. On April 13, 2023, APRINOIA made a second deposit of \$165,000 to the Trust Account. On May 12, 2023, APRINOIA made a third deposit of \$165,000 to the Trust Account. On August 16, 2023, APRINOIA made a fourth deposit of \$165,000 to the Trust Account. On August 16, 2023, APRINOIA made a sixth deposit of \$165,000 to the Trust Account. The date by which we must complete an Initial Business Combination was extended from March 16, 2023 to September 16, 2023.

On September 15, 2023, we held an extraordinary general meeting in lieu of annual meeting of shareholders (the "Extraordinary General Meeting") to approve (i) a proposal to amend our Amended Memorandum and Articles of Association to extend the date by which we have to consummate an Initial Business Combination from September 16, 2023 to March 16, 2024 (such proposal, the "Second Extension Amendment Proposal", such extension, the "Second Extension" and March 16, 2024, the "Second Extended Date"), (ii) a proposal to amend our Amended Memorandum and Articles of Association to delete the limitations that we shall not consummate a business combination or redeem shares if such actions would cause our net tangible assets to be less than \$5,000,001 (the "Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal"), (iii) a proposal to elect Larry Kudlow as Class I director of our board of directors (the "Director Election Proposal" and, together with the Second Extension Amendment Proposal and the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal, the "Proposals") and (iv) a proposal to allow the adjournment of the Extraordinary General Meeting to a later date or dates, if necessary, to permit further solicitation and vote of proxies in the event that there are insufficient votes for, or otherwise in connection with, the approval of the Proposal (the "Second Adjournment Proposal"), each as more fully described in the proxy statement filed by us with the Securities and Exchange Commission on August 31, 2023. The Second Extension Amendment Proposal, the Director Election Proposal and the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal vere each approved the right to redeem their shares for cash at a redemption price of approximately \$10.74 per share, for an aggregate redemption amount of approximately \$14.4 million. Following the aforementioned redemptions, we have 13,666,098 ordinary shares outstanding, which includes 5,041,098 Class A Ordinary Shares and 8,625,000 Founder Shares. On September 18, 2023, the Sponsor deposited \$75,000 into the Trust Accou

On August 21, 2023, the Business Combination Agreement was terminated. Further details regarding the termination and the Termination Agreement may be found in the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on August 21, 2023.

On October 19, 2023, the Sponsor deposited \$75,000 into the Trust Account in connection with the implementation of the Second Extension Amendment Proposal.

On November 14, 2023, to document the deposits by the Sponsor into the Trust Account in connection with the implementation of the Second Extension Amendment Proposal, the Company issued the Extension Note in the aggregate principal amount of up to \$450,000 to the Sponsor. Pursuant to the Extension Note, and in connection with the implementation of the Second Extension Amendment Proposal, the Sponsor may, but will not be obligated to, deposit \$75,000 for each calendar month (commencing on September 16, 2023 and ending on the 15th day of each subsequent month), or portion thereof, that is needed by the Company to complete an Initial Business Combination until March 16, 2024, resulting in a Maximum Extension Payment of \$450,000. If the Sponsor advises the Company that it will not deposit the next \$75,000 payment, then the Company will, as promptly as reasonably possible but not more than ten business days thereafter, redeem the Public Shares at a per-share price, payable in cash, equal to the aggregate amount then on deposit in the Trust Account, including interest earned on the funds held in the Trust Account and not previously released to the Company to pay its tax obligations, if any (less up to \$100,000 of interest to pay dissolution expenses) divided by the number of the then-outstanding Public Shares, which redemption will completely extinguish Public Shareholders' rights as shareholders (including the right to receive further liquidating distributions, if any). The Extension Note bears no interest and is repayable in full upon (a) the date of the consummation of an Initial Business Combination, and (b) the date of the Company. If the Company will repay the Extension Note would be repaid only out of funds held outside the Trust Account. In the event that an Initial Business Combination does not close, the Company use a portion of the proceeds held outside the Trust Account to repay the Extension Note but no proceeds held in the Trust Account would be used to repay the Extension Note. As of September 30, 2023

On November 14, 2023, to document existing and future Working Capital Loans, the Company issued the Convertible Note, an unsecured, convertible promissory note, to the Sponsor, pursuant to which the Company can borrow up to \$1,500,000 from the Sponsor, for ongoing expenses reasonably related to the business of the Company and the consummation of a Business Combination. All unpaid principal under the Convertible Note will be due and payable in full on the Maturity Date, which is the earlier of (i) March 16, 2024, or such later date by which the Company must consummate a Business Combination pursuant to its Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association (as may be amended by shareholder vote) and (ii) the effective date of a Business Combination. The Sponsor has the option, at any time on or prior to the Maturity Date, to convert any amounts outstanding under the Convertible Note, up to an aggregate amount of \$1,500,000, into warrants to purchase Class A ordinary shares of the Company, at a conversion price of \$1.50 per warrant, with each warrant entitling the holder to purchase one Class A ordinary share at a price of \$11.50 per share, subject to the same adjustments applicable to the Private Placement Warrants sold concurrently with the Company's Initial Public Offering. As of September 30, 2023, the Company had borrowed \$0 from the Sponsor under the Convertible Note. If the Company completes an Initial Business Combination, the Company will repay the Convertible Note out of the proceeds of the Trust Account released to the Company (unless the Sponsor elects to convert the outstanding balance into warrants). Otherwise, the Convertible Note would be repaid only out of funds held outside the Trust Account. In the event that an Initial Business Combination does not close, the Company may use a portion of the proceeds held outside the Trust Account to repay the Convertible Note but no proceeds held in the Trust Account to repay the Convertible Note.

If the Company is required to seek additional capital, the Company would need to borrow additional funds from the Sponsor, the Company's management team or other third parties to operate or may be forced to liquidate. Except with respect to the Extension Note and the Convertible Note, none of the Sponsor, members of the management team nor any of their affiliates is under any obligation to advance funds to the Company in such circumstances.

Our management has broad discretion with respect to the specific application of the net proceeds of the Initial Public Offering and the sale of Private Placement Warrants, although substantially all of the net proceeds are intended to be applied generally toward consummating an Initial Business Combination. There is no assurance that we will be able to complete an Initial Business Combination successfully. We must complete one or more Initial Business Combinations having an aggregate fair market value of at least 80% of the assets held in the Trust Account (excluding the deferred underwriting commissions and taxes payable on income earned on the Trust Account) at the time of the signing of the agreement to enter into the Initial Business Combination. However, we will only complete an Initial Business Combination if the post-transaction company owns or acquires 50% or more of the outstanding voting securities of the target business or otherwise acquires a controlling interest in the target business sufficient for it not to be required to register as an investment company under the Investment Company Act.

If we are unable to complete an Initial Business Combination by March 16, 2024 or such later date by which we must complete an Initial Business Combination pursuant to an amendment to the our Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association, we will (i) cease all operations except for the purpose of winding up; (ii) as promptly as reasonably possible but not more than ten business days thereafter, redeem the Public Shares, at a per-share price, payable in cash, equal to the aggregate amount then on deposit in the Trust Account, including interest earned on the funds held in the Trust Account and not previously released to us to pay our tax obligations, if any (less up to \$100,000 of interest to pay dissolution expenses) divided by the number of the then-outstanding Public Shares, which redemption will completely extinguish Public shareholders' rights as shareholders (including the right to receive further liquidation distributions, if any); and (iii) as promptly as reasonably possible following such redemption, subject to the approval of the remaining shareholders and the board of directors, liquidate and dissolve, subject in the case of clauses (ii) and (iii), to our obligations under Cayman Islands law to provide for claims of creditors and the requirements of other applicable law.

#### Liquidity and Going Concern

As of September 30, 2023, we had approximately \$10,000 in its operating bank account and working capital deficit of approximately \$7.6 million.

Our liquidity needs through September 30, 2023 and prior were satisfied through a payment of \$25,000 from the Sponsor to purchase certain expenses in exchange for the issuance of the Founder Shares, the loan of approximately \$90,000 from the Sponsor under the Note (as defined in Note 4), and the proceeds from the consummation of the Private Placement not held in the Trust Account. We repaid the Note in full on March 19, 2021. In addition, in order to finance transaction costs in connection with an Initial Business Combination, the Sponsor or an affiliate of the Sponsor, or certain of our officers and directors may, but are not obligated to, provide the Company Working Capital Loans (as defined in Note 4).

In connection with our assessment of going concern considerations in accordance with Financial Accounting Standard Board's Accounting Standards Update ("ASU") 2014-15, "Disclosures of Uncertainties about an Entity's Ability to Continue as a Going Concern," we have until March 16, 2024 to consummate an Initial Business Combination. As previously reported, on January 17, 2023, we signed the Business Combination Agreement with, among other parties, APRINOIA Therapeutics, Inc. On August 21, 2023, as previously reported, the Business Combination Agreement was terminated. On September 15, 2023, the Company's shareholders voted to extend the date by which the Company has to consummate an Initial Business Combination from September 16, 2023 to March 16, 2024 or such later date by which the Company must complete an Initial Business Combination pursuant to an amendment to the Company's Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association. It is uncertain that we will be able to consummate another Initial Business Combination by March 16, 2024. Additionally, we may not have sufficient liquidity to fund our working capital needs until one year from the issuance of these unaudited condensed financial statements. If an Initial Business Combination is not consummated by this date, there will be a mandatory liquidation and subsequent dissolution of the Company. Management has determined that the liquidity condition and mandatory liquidation, should an Initial Business Combination not occur, and potential subsequent dissolution, raises substantial doubt about the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. No adjustments have been made to the carrying amounts of assets or liabilities should the Company be required to liquidate after March 16, 2024.

#### **Results of Operations**

Our entire activity from inception to September 30, 2023 was in preparation for our formation and the Initial Public Offering, and, subsequent to the Initial Public Offering, identifying a target company for an Initial Business Combination. We will not be generating any operating revenues until the closing and completion of our Initial Business Combination, at the earliest.

For the three months ended September 30, 2023, we had net income of approximately \$2.1 million, which consisted of approximately a \$1 million in non-operating gain resulting from the change in fair value of derivative warrant liabilities, \$1 million gain from extinguishment of notes payable and approximately \$663,000 of income from investments held in Trust Account, partially offset by approximately \$635,000 in general and administrative expenses.

For the three months ended September 30, 2022, we had net income of approximately \$3.3 million, which consisted of approximately a \$1.4 million in non-operating gain resulting from the change in fair value of derivative warrant liabilities and approximately \$1.9 million of income from investments held in Trust Account, partially offset by approximately \$4,000 in general and administrative expenses.

For the nine months ended September 30, 2023, we had net income of approximately \$3.5 million, which consisted of approximately \$5 million of income from investments held in trust account, \$1.0 million gain from extinguishment of notes payable, and approximately \$458,000 of gain on waived underwriter commissions. partially offset by approximately \$2.0 million in general and administrative expenses and approximately a \$1.0 million non-operating loss resulting from the change in fair value of derivative warrant liabilities.

For the nine months ended September 30, 2022, we had net income of approximately \$13.4 million, which consisted of approximately a \$14.5 million in non-operating gain resulting from the change in fair value of derivative warrant liabilities and approximately \$2.6 million of income from investments held in Trust Account, partially offset by approximately \$3.7 million in general and administrative expenses.

#### **Contractual Obligations**

#### Administrative Support Agreement

Commencing on the date that the Company's securities were first listed on the New York Stock Exchange, we agreed to pay our Sponsor a total of \$10,000 per month for office space, secretarial and administrative services. Upon completion of the Initial Business Combination or the Company's liquidation, we will cease paying these monthly fees. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023, the Company incurred expenses of \$30,000 and \$90,000 under this agreement, respectively. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2022, the Company incurred expenses of \$30,000 under this agreement, respectively. As of September 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022, the Company had accrued approximately \$270,000 and \$180,000 for services in connection with such agreement on the accompanying balance sheets, respectively.

#### Registration and Shareholder Rights

The holders of the founder shares, private placement warrants and warrants that may be issued upon conversion of the Working Capital Loans, if any, are entitled to registration rights pursuant to a registration and shareholder rights agreement signed upon consummation of the Initial Public Offering. These holders are entitled to certain demand and "piggyback" registration rights. However, the registration and shareholder rights agreement provides that we would not permit any registration statement filed under the Securities Act to become effective until the termination of the applicable lock-up period for the securities to be registered. We will bear the expenses incurred in connection with the filing of any such registration statements.

#### Underwriting Agreement

An aggregate of \$12.1 million will be payable to the underwriters of the Initial Public Offering for deferred underwriting commissions. The deferred fee will become payable to the underwriters from the amounts held in the Trust Account solely in the event that we complete an Initial Business Combination, subject to the terms of the underwriting agreement.

On January 19, 2023, the Company received a waiver of underwriter fees from one of the underwriters in which the underwriter waived its entitlement to the payment of any deferred underwriting commission to be paid under the terms of the underwriting agreement. As such, \$6,037,500, has been forgiven on which \$5,579,875 is presented in the unaudited condensed consolidated statement of changes in shareholders deficit and \$457,625 is recognized as a gain on the waiver.

On January 23, 2023, the Company received a waiver of underwriter fees from a second underwriter in which the underwriter waived the right to receive its deferred underwriting commissions payable upon the consummation of the Terminated Business Combination under the terms of the underwriting agreement. The second underwriter did not waive the right to receive its deferred underwriting commission payable upon the consummation of any other Initial Business Combination.



#### **Critical Accounting Estimates and Policies**

#### Derivative Warrant Liabilities

We do not use derivative instruments to hedge exposures to cash flow, market, or foreign currency risks. We evaluate all of our financial instruments, including issued stock purchase warrants, to determine if such instruments are derivatives or contain features that qualify as embedded derivatives, pursuant to ASC 480 and FASB ASC Topic 815, "Derivatives and Hedging" ("ASC 815"). The classification of derivative instruments, including whether such instruments should be recorded as liabilities or as equity, is re-assessed at the end of each reporting period.

The Public Warrants and the Private Placement Warrants are recognized as derivative liabilities in accordance with ASC 815. Accordingly, the Company recognizes the warrant instruments as liabilities at fair value and adjusts the carrying value of the instruments to fair value at each reporting period until they are exercised. The initial fair value of the Public Warrants issued in connection with the Initial Public Offering were estimated using a Lattice model and the Private Placement Warrants were estimated using Lattice model. The fair value of the Public Warrants as of September 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022 is based on observable listed prices for such Public Warrants. As the transfer of Private Placement Warrants to anyone who is not a permitted transferee would result in the Private Placement Warrants having substantially the same terms as the Public Warrants, the Company determined that the fair value of each Private Placement Warrant is equivalent to that of each Public Warrant. The determination of the fair value of the warrant liabilities are classified as non-current liabilities as their liquidation is not reasonably expected to require the use of current assets or require the creation of current liabilities.

#### Class A Ordinary Shares Subject to Possible Redemption

The Company accounts for its Class A ordinary shares subject to possible redemption in accordance with the guidance in ASC Topic 480 "Distinguishing Liabilities from Equity." Class A ordinary shares subject to mandatory redemption (if any) is classified as liability instruments and are measured at fair value. Conditionally redeemable Class A ordinary shares (including Class A ordinary shares that features redemption rights that are either within the control of the holder or subject to redemption upon the occurrence of uncertain events not solely within the Company's control) are classified as temporary equity. At all other times, Class A ordinary shares is classified as shareholders' equity. The Company's Class A ordinary shares feature certain redemption rights that are considered to be outside of the Company's control and subject to the occurrence of uncertain future events. Accordingly, as of Initial Public Offering (including the consummation of the over-allotment), 34,500,000 Class A ordinary shares subject to possible redemption is presented at redemption value as temporary equity, outside of the shareholders' deficit section of the Company's condensed consolidated balance sheets.

We recognize changes in redemption value immediately as they occur and adjusts the carrying value of the Class A ordinary shares subject to possible redemption to equal the redemption value at the end of each reporting period. This method would view the end of the reporting period as if it were also the redemption date for the security. Effective with the closing of the Initial Public Offering (including the consummation of the over-allotment), the Company recognized the accretion from initial book value to redemption amount, which resulted in charges against additional paid-in capital (to the extent available) and accumulated deficit.

#### Net (Loss) Income per Ordinary Share

The Company complies with accounting and disclosure requirements of FASB ASC Topic 260, "Earnings Per Share." The Company has two classes of shares, which are referred to as Class A ordinary shares and Class B ordinary shares. Income and losses are shared pro rata between the two classes of shares. This presentation assumes an Initial Business Combination as the most likely outcome. Net (loss) income per ordinary share is calculated by dividing the net (loss) income by the weighted average shares of ordinary shares outstanding for the respective period.



The calculation of diluted net income (loss) does not consider the effect of the warrants underlying the Units sold in the Initial Public Offering (including the consummation of the over-allotment) and the private placement warrants to purchase an aggregate of 17,433,333 Class A ordinary shares in the calculation of diluted income (loss) per share, because in the calculation of diluted income (loss) per share, because their exercise is contingent upon future events and their inclusion would be anti-dilutive under the treasury stock method. As a result, diluted net income (loss) per share is the same as basic net income (loss) per share for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023 and 2022. The initial accretion associated with the redeemable Class A ordinary shares was excluded from earnings per share as the redemption value approximated fair value. Changes in redemption value in the subsequent periods is recognized as a deemed dividend to shareholders in the calculation of net income per ordinary share.

#### Recent Accounting Pronouncements

In June 2022, the FASB issued ASU 2022-03, ASC Subtopic 820 "Fair Value Measurement of Equity Securities Subject to Contractual Sale Restrictions". The ASU amends ASC 820 to clarify that a contractual sales restriction is not considered in measuring an equity security at fair value and to introduce new disclosure requirements for equity securities subject to contractual sale restrictions that are measured at fair value. The ASU applies to both holders and issuers of equity and equity-linked securities measured at fair value. The amendments in this ASU are effective for the Company in fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2023, and interim periods within those fiscal years. Early adoption is permitted for both interim and annual financial statements that have not yet been issued or made available for issuance. The Company is still evaluating the impact of this pronouncement on the unaudited condensed financial statements.

In June 2016, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update ("ASU") 2016-13 – *Financial Instruments – Credit Losses (Topic 326): Measurement of Credit Losses on Financial Instruments ("ASU 2016-13").* This update requires financial assets measured at amortized cost basis to be presented at the net amount expected to be collected. The measurement of expected credit losses is based on relevant information about past events, including historical experience, current conditions, and reasonable and supportable forecasts that affect the collectability of the reported amount. Since June 2016, the FASB issued clarifying updates to the new standard including changing the effective date for smaller reporting companies. The guidance is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2022, and interim periods within those fiscal years, with early adoption permitted. The Company adopted ASU 2016-13 on January 1, 2023. The adoption of ASU 2016-13 did not have a material impact on its financial statements.

The Company's management does not believe that any other recently issued, but not yet effective, accounting standards updates, if currently adopted, would have a material effect on the Company's unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements.

#### **Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements**

As of September 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022, we did not have any off-balance sheet arrangements as defined in Item 303(a)(4)(ii) of Regulation S-K.

#### JOBS Act

The Jumpstart Our Business Startups Act of 2012 (the "JOBS Act") contains provisions that, among other things, relax certain reporting requirements for qualifying public companies. We qualify as an "emerging growth company" and under the JOBS Act are allowed to comply with new or revised accounting pronouncements based on the effective date for private (not publicly traded) companies. We are electing to delay the adoption of new or revised accounting standards, and as a result, we may not comply with new or revised accounting standards on the relevant dates on which adoption of such standards is required for non-emerging growth companies. As a result, the unaudited condensed financial statements may not be companies that comply with new or revised accounting pronouncements as of public company effective dates.

Additionally, we are in the process of evaluating the benefits of relying on the other reduced reporting requirements provided by the JOBS Act. Subject to certain conditions set forth in the JOBS Act, if, as an "emerging growth company," we choose to rely on such exemptions we may not be required to, among other things, (i) provide an auditor's attestation report on our system of internal controls over financial reporting pursuant to Section 404, (ii) provide all of the compensation disclosure that may be required of non-emerging growth public companies under the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act, (iii) comply with any requirement that may be adopted by the PCAOB regarding mandatory audit firm rotation or a supplement to the auditor's report providing additional information about the audit and the financial statements (auditor discussion and analysis) and (iv) disclose certain executive compensation. These exemptions will apply for a period of five years following the completion of the Initial Public Offering or until we are no longer an "emerging growth company," whichever is earlier.

#### Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk

We are a smaller reporting company as defined by Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act and are not required to provide the information otherwise required under this item.

#### Item 4. Controls and Procedures

#### Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures

Under the supervision and with the participation of our management, including our principal executive officer and principal financial officer, we conducted an evaluation of the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures as of the end of the fiscal quarter ended September 30, 2023, as such term is defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the Exchange Act. Based on this evaluation, our principal executive officer and principal financial officer has concluded that during the period covered by this report, our disclosure controls and procedures were not effective as of September 30, 2023 due to material weaknesses in our internal control over financial reporting, as defined in the SEC guidelines for public companies. The material weakness identified related to ineffective review controls over the financial statement preparation process including the review of new agreements, which led to the restatement of the prior quarter statements.

In light of these material weaknesses, we have enhanced our processes to identify and appropriately apply applicable accounting requirements to better identify and evaluate agreements that affect our financial statements including making greater use of third-party professionals with whom we consult regarding complex accounting applications. The elements of our remediation plan can only be accomplished over time, and we can offer no assurance that these initiatives will ultimately have the intended effects. We believe our efforts will enhance our controls relating to financial reporting, but we can offer no assurance that our controls will not require additional review and modification in the future as industry accounting practice may evolve over time.

We do not expect that our disclosure controls and procedures will prevent all errors and all instances of fraud. Disclosure controls and procedures, no matter how well conceived and operated, can provide only reasonable, not absolute, assurance that the objectives of the disclosure controls and procedures are met. Further, the design of disclosure controls and procedures must reflect the fact that there are resource constraints, and the benefits must be considered relative to their costs. Because of the inherent limitations in all disclosure controls and procedures, no evaluation of disclosure controls and procedures can provide absolute assurance that we have detected all our control deficiencies and instances of fraud, if any. The design of disclosure controls and procedures also is based partly on certain assumptions about the likelihood of future events, and there can be no assurance that any design will succeed in achieving its stated goals under all potential future conditions.

#### Changes in Internal Control over Financial Reporting

Other than as disclosed above, there was no change in our internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the fiscal quarter ended September 30, 2023 covered by this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

#### **PART II - OTHER INFORMATION**

#### Item 1. Legal Proceedings.

None.

#### Item 1A. Risk Factors.

As of the date of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, other than the risk factors included below, there have been no material changes to the risk factors disclosed in our Form 10-K filed with the SEC on April 6, 2023. We may disclose changes to such factors or disclose additional factors from time to time in our future filings with the SEC.



We have identified a material weakness in our internal control over financial reporting. If we are unable to develop and maintain an effective system of internal control over financial reporting, we may not be able to accurately report our financial results in a timely manner, which may adversely affect investor confidence in us and materially and adversely affect our business and operating results.

Our management is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with GAAP. Our management is likewise required, on a quarterly basis, to evaluate the effectiveness of our internal controls and to disclose any changes and material weaknesses identified through such evaluation of those internal controls. A material weakness is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over financial reporting, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of our annual or interim financial statements will not be prevented or detected on a timely basis.

During the course of preparing the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the three and six months ended June 30, 2023, we identified a waiver of deferred underwriter commissions which was executed during the three months ended March 31, 2023 and not accounted for. In January 2023, we received a waiver from one of the underwriters in which it indicated that it waived its entitlement to the payment of any deferred discount to be paid under the terms of the underwriting agreement. The Company determined this error was material to the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the three months ended March 31, 2023, as further discussed in the Form 10Q for the period ended June 30, 2023, under Note 2 to the Financial Statements – Restatement to Prior Period Financial Statements. As part of such process, the Company identified a material weakness in its internal controls over financial reporting related to the accounting treatment of certain fees waived by the underwriters of the Company's Initial Public Offering.

Effective internal controls are necessary for us to provide reliable financial reports and prevent fraud. We continue to evaluate steps to remediate the material weakness. These remediation measures may be time consuming and costly and there is no assurance that these initiatives will ultimately have the intended effects. A material weakness could limit our ability to prevent or detect a misstatement of our accounts or disclosures that could result in a material misstatement of our annual or interim financial statements. In such a case, we may again be unable to maintain compliance with securities law requirements regarding timely filing of periodic reports in addition to applicable stock exchange listing requirements, investors may lose confidence in our financial reporting, our securities price may decline and we may face litigation as a result of the foregoing. We cannot assure you that the measures we have taken to date, or any measures it may take in the future, will be sufficient to avoid potential future material weaknesses.

As a result of this material weakness, our management concluded that our internal control over financial reporting was not effective as of September 30, 2023.

#### We may face litigation and other risks as a result of the material weakness in our internal control over financial reporting.

As a result of such material weakness and the restatement, we face potential for litigation or other disputes which may include, among others, claims invoking the federal and state securities laws, contractual claims or other claims arising from the restatement and material weaknesses in our internal control over financial reporting and the preparation of our financial statements. As of the date of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, we have no knowledge of any such litigation or dispute. However, we can provide no assurance that such litigation or dispute will not arise in the future. Any such litigation or dispute, whether successful or not, could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations and financial condition or our ability to complete an Initial Business Combination.

#### There are no assurances that the Second Extension will enable us to complete an Initial Business Combination.

Although the Second Extension was approved and implemented, the Company can provide no assurances that an Initial Business Combination will be consummated prior to the Second Extended Date. Our ability to consummate an Initial Business Combination is dependent on a variety of factors, many of which are beyond our control. The Company expects to seek shareholder approval of any Initial Business Combination. We were required to offer Public Shareholders the opportunity to redeem Public Shares in connection with the First Extension and the Second Extension, and we will be required to offer Public Shareholders redemption rights again in connection with any shareholder vote to approve any Initial Business Combination on commercially acceptable terms, or at all. The fact that we will have had separate redemption periods in connection with the First Extension, the Second Extension and any Initial Business Combination vote could exacerbate these risks. Other than in connection with a redemption offer or liquidation, our shareholders may be unable to recover their investment except through sales of our shares on the open market. The price of our shares may be volatile, and there can be no assurance that shareholders will be able to dispose of our shares at favorable prices, or at all.

#### If we are deemed to be an "investment company" for purposes of the Investment Company Act, we would be required to institute burdensome compliance requirements and our activities would be severely restricted. As a result, in such circumstances, unless we are able to modify our activities so that we would not be deemed an investment company, we may abandon our efforts to complete a Business Combination and instead liquidate the Company.

If we are deemed to be an investment company under the Investment Company Act of 1940 (the "Investment Company Act"), our activities may be restricted, including:

- restrictions on the nature of our investments; and
- restrictions on the issuance of securities, each of which may make it difficult for us to complete an Initial Business Combination.

In addition, we may have imposed upon us burdensome requirements, including:

- registration as an investment company with the SEC;
- · adoption of a specific form of corporate structure; and
- reporting, record keeping, voting, proxy and disclosure requirements and other rules and regulations that we are currently not subject to.

In order not to be regulated as an investment company under the Investment Company Act, unless we can qualify for an exclusion, we must ensure that we are engaged primarily in a business other than investing, reinvesting or trading of securities and that our activities do not include investing, reinvesting, owning, holding or trading "investment securities" constituting more than 40% of our assets (exclusive of U.S. government securities and cash items) on an unconsolidated basis. Our business is to identify and complete an Initial Business Combination and thereafter to operate the post-transaction business or assets for the long term. We do not plan to buy businesses or assets with a view to resale or profit from their resale. We do not plan to buy unrelated businesses or assets or to be a passive investor.

We do not believe that our current and anticipated principal activities subject us to the Investment Company Act. To this end, the proceeds held in the Trust Account may only be held as cash or invested in United States "government securities" within the meaning of Section 2(a)(16) of the Investment Company Act having a maturity of 185 days or less or in money market funds meeting certain conditions under Rule 2a-7 promulgated under the Investment Company Act which invest only in direct U.S. government treasury obligations. Pursuant to the trust agreement, the trustee is not permitted to invest in other securities or assets. By restricting the investment of the proceeds to these instruments or by holding the proceeds as cash, and by having a business plan targeted at acquiring and growing businesses for the long term (rather than on buying and selling businesses in the manner of a merchant bank or private equity fund), we intend to avoid being deemed an "investment company" within the meaning of the Investment Company Act. If we do not invest the proceeds as discussed above, we may be deemed to be subject to the Investment Company Act.

However, even if we invest the proceeds in United States "government securities" within the meaning of Section 2(a)(16) of the Investment Company Act having a maturity of 185 days or less or in money market funds meeting certain conditions under Rule 2a-7 promulgated under the Investment Company Act which invest only in direct U.S. government treasury obligations, we may be deemed to be an investment company. The longer that the funds in the Trust Account are held in short-term U.S. government securities or in money market funds invested exclusively in such securities, the greater the risk that we may be considered an unregistered investment company, in which case we may be required to liquidate.

As described further below, on March 30, 2022, the SEC issued proposed rules (the "SPAC Rule Proposals") relating, among other matters, to a proposed safe harbor for SPACs such as the Company from the definition of an "investment company" under Section 3(a)(1)(A) of the Investment Company Act, provided that a SPAC satisfies certain criteria, including a limited time period to announce and complete a de-SPAC transaction. Specifically, to fall within the safe harbor, the SPAC Rule Proposals would require a company to file a report on Form 8-K announcing that it has entered into an agreement with a target company for a business combination no later than 18 months after the effective date of its registration statement for its initial public offering (the "IPO Registration Statement"). The company would then be required to complete its initial business combination no later than 24 months after the effective date of the IPO Registration Statement. As we have not completed an Initial Business Combination within 24 months after the effective date of our IPO Registration Statement, we would not be able to rely upon this safe harbor.

If we are deemed to be an investment company under the Investment Company Act, our activities would be severely restricted. In addition, we would be subject to burdensome compliance requirements. If we are deemed to be an investment company and subject to registration under, compliance with and regulation under the Investment Company Act, we would be subject to additional regulatory burdens and expenses for which we have not allotted funds. As a result, unless we are able to modify our activities so that we would not be deemed an investment company, we may abandon our efforts to complete an Initial Business Combination and instead liquidate the Company. Were we to liquidate, our warrants would expire worthless, and our securityholders would lose the investment opportunity associated with an investment in the combined company, including any potential price appreciation of our securities.

# The SEC has issued proposed rules relating to certain activities of SPACs. Certain of the procedures that we, any potential Initial Business Combination target, or others may determine to undertake in connection with such proposals may increase our costs and the time needed to complete an Initial Business Combination and may constrain the circumstances under which we could complete an Initial Business Combination. The need for compliance with the SPAC Rule Proposals may cause us to liquidate the funds in the Trust Account or liquidate the Company at an earlier time than we might otherwise choose.

As described above, on March 30, 2022, the SEC issued the SPAC Rule Proposals relating, among other things, to disclosures in SEC filings in connection with business combination transactions between SPACs such as us and private operating companies; the financial statement requirements applicable to transactions involving shell companies; the use of projections by SPACs in SEC filings in connection with proposed business combination transactions; the potential liability of certain participants in proposed business combination transactions; and the extent to which SPACs could become subject to registration and regulation under the Investment Company, including a proposed rule that would provide SPACs a safe harbor from treatment as an investment company if they satisfy certain conditions that limit a SPAC's duration, asset composition, business purpose and activities. The SPAC Rule Proposals have not yet been adopted and, if adopted, may be adopted in the proposed form or in a different form that could impose additional regulatory requirements on SPACs. Certain of the procedures that we, or any potential Business Combination traget, or others may determine to undertake in connection with the SPAC Rule Proposals, or pursuant to the SEC's views expressed in the SPAC Rule Proposals, may increase the costs and time of for compliance with the SPAC Rule Proposals may cause us to liquidate the funds in the Trust Account or liquidate the Company at an earlier time than we might otherwise choose. Were we to liquidate, our warrants would expire worthless, and our securities.

To mitigate the risk that we might be deemed to be an investment company for purposes of the Investment Company Act, we have instructed Continental, the trustee, to liquidate the investments held in the Trust Account and instead to hold the funds in the Trust Account in an interest bearing demand deposit account until the earlier of the consummation of an Initial Business Combination or our liquidation. Following the liquidation of investments in the Trust Account, we receive reduced interest, if any, on the funds held in the Trust Account, which reduces the dollar amount our Public Shareholders would receive upon any redemption or liquidation of the Company.

The funds in the Trust Account were, from our Initial Public Offering until the end of March 2023, held only in U.S. government treasury obligations with a maturity of 185 days or less or in money market funds investing solely in U.S. government treasury obligations and meeting certain conditions under Rule 2a-7 under the Investment Company Act. However, the longer that the funds in the Trust Account are held in short-term U.S. government securities or in money market funds invested exclusively in such securities, the greater the risk that we may be considered an unregistered investment company, in which case we may be required to liquidate. To mitigate the risk of us being deemed to be an unregistered investment company (including under the subjective test of Section 3(a)(1)(A) of the Investment Company Act) and thus subject to regulation under the Investment Company Act, we instructed Continental, the trustee with respect to the Trust Account, to liquidate the U.S. government treasury obligations or money market funds held in the Trust Account and thereafter to hold all funds in the Trust Account in an interest bearing demand deposit account at a bank until the earlier of the consummation of our Initial Business Combination or the liquidation of the Company. Following such liquidation, we receive reduced interest, if any, on the funds held in the Trust Account. However, interest previously earned on the funds held in the Trust Account still may be released to us to pay our taxes, if any, and certain other expenses as permitted. As a result, our decision to liquidate the investments held in the Trust Account and thereafter to hold all funds in the Trust Account and thereafter to hold all funds in the Trust Account in an interest-bearing demand deposit at a bank is reduces the dollar amount our Public Shareholders would receive upon any redemption or liquidation of the Company.

### We may not be able to complete an Initial Business Combination if the proposed transaction is subject to review or approval by regulatory authorities pursuant to certain U.S. or foreign laws or regulations.

Certain acquisitions or business combinations may be subject to review or approval by regulatory authorities pursuant to certain U.S. or foreign laws or regulations. In the event that such regulatory approval or clearance is not obtained, or the review process is extended beyond the period of time that would permit an Initial Business Combination to be consummated with us, we may not be able to consummate an Initial Business Combination with such target. In addition, regulatory considerations may decrease the pool of potential target companies we may be willing or able to consider.

In the United States, certain mergers that may affect competition may require certain filings and review by the Department of Justice and the Federal Trade Commission, and investments or acquisitions that may affect national security are subject to review by the Committee on Foreign Investment in the United States ("CFIUS"). CFIUS is an interagency committee authorized to review certain transactions involving foreign investment in the United States by foreign persons in order to determine the effect of such transactions on the national security of the United States.

Outside the United States, laws or regulations may affect our ability to consummate an Initial Business Combination with potential target companies incorporated or having business operations in jurisdictions where national security considerations, involvement in regulated industries (including telecommunications), or in businesses where a country's culture or heritage may be implicated.

U.S. and foreign regulators generally have the power to deny the ability of the parties to consummate a transaction or to condition approval of a transaction on specified terms and conditions, which may not be acceptable to us or a target. In such event, we may not be able to consummate a transaction with that potential target.

As a result of these various restrictions, the pool of potential targets with which we could complete an Initial Business Combination may be limited, and we may be adversely affected in terms of competing with other SPACs that do not have similar ownership issues. Moreover, the process of government review, whether by CFIUS or otherwise, could be lengthy. Because we have only a limited time to complete an Initial Business Combination, our failure to obtain any required approvals within the requisite time period may require us to liquidate. Were we to liquidate the Company, our warrants would expire worthless, and our securityholders would lose the investment opportunity associated with an investment in the combined company, including any potential price appreciation of our securities.

### The Company's ability to complete an Initial Business Combination with a U.S. target company may be impacted if such Business Combination is subject to U.S. foreign investment regulations and review by a U.S. government entity, such CFIUS, and ultimately prohibited.

The Sponsor, Ross Holding Company LLC, is a Cayman Islands limited liability company. Although entities organized in non-U.S. jurisdictions such as the Cayman Islands are sometimes considered "foreign persons" under the regulations administered by CFIUS, the Company believes the Sponsor would not be considered a foreign person because it is ultimately controlled and majority-owned by U.S. nationals.

In the event the Sponsor is considered a foreign person, however, the Company could also be considered a foreign person and would continue to be considered as such in the future for so long as the Sponsor has the ability to exercise control over the Company for purposes of CFIUS's regulations. The Company could likewise be considered a foreign person if a foreign investor acquires a significant interest in the Company and is viewed as having the ability to exercise control over the Company. As such, an Initial Business Combination with a U.S. business may be subject to CFIUS review, the scope of which includes controlling investments as well as certain non-passive, non-controlling investments in sensitive U.S. businesses and certain acquisitions of real estate even with no underlying U.S. business. If the Company's potential Initial Business Combination with a U.S. business falls within CFIUS's jurisdiction, the Company may determine that it is required to make a mandatory filing or that it will submit a voluntary filing to CFIUS or proceed with the Initial Business Combination without notifying CFIUS and risk CFIUS intervention, before or after closing the Initial Business Combination. CFIUS may decide to delay the Initial Business Combination in mose conditions to mitigate national security concerns with respect to such Initial Business Combination or recommend that the U.S. president block the Initial Business Combination or order the Company to divest all or a portion of a U.S. business of or prevent the Company from pursuing certain Initial Business Combination opportunities that it believes would otherwise be beneficial to the Company and its shareholders. As a result, the pool of potential targets with which the Company could complete an Initial Business Combination may be impacted, and it may be adversely affected in terms of competing with other special purpose acquisition companies which do not have similar foreign ownership issues.

Moreover, the process of government review, whether by the CFIUS or otherwise, could be lengthy and the Company has limited time to complete its Initial Business Combination. If the Company cannot complete its Initial Business Combination by March 16, 2024, or such later date that may be approved by the Company's shareholders, because the review process extends beyond such timeframe or because the Initial Business Combination is ultimately prohibited by CFIUS or another U.S. government entity, the Company may be required to liquidate. If the Company liquidates, its Public Shareholders may only receive approximately \$10.74 per Public Share (based on the amount held in the Trust Account as of August 28, 2023 (including interest earned on the funds held in the Trust Account and not previously released to us to pay our taxes), and the Company's warrants will expire worthless. This will also cause you to lose the investment opportunity associated with an investment in the combined company, including any potential price appreciation of our securities.

## Our Sponsor holds all of our outstanding Class B ordinary shares and as a result, controls the appointment and removal of directors, as only as only holders of our Class B ordinary shares have the right to vote on the election of directors and to remove directors prior to an Initial Business Combination and will exert a substantial influence on other actions requiring a shareholder vote, potentially in a manner that shareholders do not support.

Our Sponsor owns, on an as-converted basis, 63.1% of our issued and outstanding ordinary shares, including 8,625,000 Founder Shares, which is 100% of the Class B ordinary shares. Accordingly, our Sponsor controls the appointment and removal of directors, as only as only holders of our Class B ordinary shares have the right to vote on the election of directors and to remove directors prior to an Initial Business Combination. Our Sponsor will also exert a substantial, and in some cases, controlling, influence on other actions requiring a shareholder vote, potentially in a manner that shareholders do not support, including amendments to our Amended Memorandum and Articles of Association. Our Sponsor and each member of our management team have agreed pursuant to the letter agreement to vote their Founder Shares and Public Shares in favor of our Initial Business Combination. Following the redemptions of Public Shares in connection with implementation of the First Extension and the Second Extension, only 5,041,098 Public Shares to be voted in favor of an Initial Business Combination if such proposal required only an ordinary proposal under Cayman Islands law, being the affirmative vote of at least a majority of our ordinary shares who attend and vote at a shareholder meeting of the Company.

If our Sponsor purchases any additional Class A ordinary shares in the aftermarket or in privately negotiated transactions, although it is under no obligation to do so, this would increase its control. Such Public Shares purchased by the Sponsor would be (a) purchased at a price no higher than the redemption price for the Public Shares and (b) would not be (i) voted by the Sponsor at the extraordinary general meeting or (ii) redeemable by the Sponsor. Any such purchases that are completed after the record date for the applicable meeting may include an agreement with a selling shareholder that such shareholder, for so long as it remains the record holder of the shares in question, will vote in favor of the proposals to be voted upon at the shareholder meeting and/or will not exercise its redemption rights with respect to the shares so purchased. The purpose of such share purchases and other transactions would be to increase the likelihood that any proposals to be voted upon at a shareholder meeting are approved by the requisite number of votes and to reduce the number of Public Shares that are redeemed. In the event that such purchases do occur, the purchasers may seek to purchase shares from shareholders who would otherwise have voted against any proposals to be voted upon at the shareholder meeting and elected to redeem their Public Shares for a portion of the Trust Account. Any such privately negotiated purchases may be effected at purchase prices that are below or in excess of the per-share pro rata portion of the Trust Account. None of the Company's directors, the Company's officers or any of their respective affiliates may make any such purchases when they are in possession of any material non-public information not disclosed to the seller or during a restricted period under Regulation M under the Exchange Act.

## A new 1% U.S. federal excise tax could be imposed on us in connection with certain future redemptions by us of our shares.

On August 16, 2022, the Inflation Reduction Act of 2022 (the "IR Act") was signed into federal law. The IR Act provides for, among other things, a new U.S. federal 1% excise tax on certain repurchases (including redemptions) of stock by publicly traded U.S. corporations and certain U.S. subsidiaries of publicly traded foreign corporations. The excise tax applies to repurchases occurring after December 31, 2022. The excise tax is imposed on the repurchasing corporation itself, not its shareholders from which shares are repurchased. The amount of the excise tax is generally 1% of the fair market value of the shares repurchased at the time of the repurchase. The U.S. Department of Treasury has been given authority to provide regulations and other guidance to carry out, and prevent the abuse or avoidance of, the excise tax; however, no guidance has been issued to date. With respect to redemptions that occur in connection with the Extension or redemptions that occur under the circumstance where our Initial Business Combination is not with a U.S. corporation, because such redemptions would occur when we are not a U.S. corporation, such redemptions generally would not cause us to be subject to the excise tax.

Absent the issuance of applicable guidance to the contrary, with respect to redemptions that occur in connection with an Initial Business Combination with a U.S. corporation, because the Company might be domesticated as a U.S. corporation and its securities are expected to trade on a national securities exchange at the time shareholders exercise their redemption rights with respect to the Public Shares in connection with the Company's Initial Business Combination, it is possible that the Company may be subject to the excise tax with respect to redemptions that are treated as repurchases for this purpose. However, for purposes of calculating the excise tax, repurchasing corporations are permitted to net the fair market value of certain new stock issuances against the fair market value of stock repurchases during the same taxable year, thereby reducing the amount of excise tax imposed with respect to repurchases of stock by a repurchasing corporation. The per-share redemption amount payable from the Trust Account (including any interest earned on the funds held in the Trust Account) to public shareholders in connection with a redemption is not expected to be reduced by any Excise Tax imposed on us. The imposition of the Excise Tax on us could, however, cause a reduction in the cash available on hand to complete our Initial Business Combination and may affect our ability to complete our Initial Business Combination or fund future operations.

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# Item 2. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds from Registered Securities.

On November 14, 2023, to document existing and future Working Capital Loans, the Company issued the Convertible Note, an unsecured, convertible promissory note, to the Sponsor, pursuant to which the Company can borrow up to \$1,500,000 from the Sponsor, for ongoing expenses reasonably related to the business of the Company and the consummation of a Business Combination. All unpaid principal under the Convertible Note will be due and payable in full on the Maturity Date, which is the earlier of (i) March 16, 2024, or such later date by which the Company must consummate a Business Combination pursuant to its Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association (as may be amended by shareholder vote) and (ii) the effective date of a Business Combination. The Sponsor has the option, at any time on or prior to the Maturity Date, to convert any amounts outstanding under the Convertible Note, up to an aggregate amount of \$1,500,000, into warrants to purchase Class A ordinary shares of the Company, at a conversion price of \$1.50 per warrant, with each warrant entitling the holder to purchase one Class A ordinary share at a price of \$11.50 per share, subject to the same adjustments applicable to the Private Placement Warrants sold concurrently with the Company's Initial Public Offering. If the Company completes an Initial Business Combination, the Company will repay the Convertible Note out of the proceeds of the Trust Account released to the Company (unless the Sponsor elects to convert the outstanding balance into warrants). Otherwise, the Convertible Note would be repaid only out of funds held outside the Trust Account. In the event that an Initial Business Combination does not close, the Company may use a portion of the proceeds held outside the Trust Account to repay the Convertible Note. As of September 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022, the Company had borrowings of \$1,065,000 and \$0, respectively under the Working Capital Loans (now documented by the Convertible Note).

The issuance of the Convertible Note was made pursuant to the exemption from registration contained in Section 4(a)(2) of the Securities Act, as amended.

The foregoing description of the Convertible Note does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of the Convertible Note, a copy of which is filed with this Current Report on Form 8-K as Exhibit 10.3 and is incorporated herein by reference.

# Item 3. Defaults upon Senior Securities.

None.

## Item 4. Mine Safety Disclosures.

Not applicable.

### Item 5. Other Information.

On November 14, 2023, to document the deposits by the Sponsor into the Trust Account in connection with the implementation of the Second Extension Amendment Proposal, the Company issued the Extension Note in the aggregate principal amount of up to \$450,000 to the Sponsor. Pursuant to the Extension Note, and in connection with the implementation of the Second Extension Amendment Proposal, the Sponsor may, but will not be obligated to, deposit \$75,000 for each calendar month (commencing on September 16, 2023 and ending on the 15th day of each subsequent month), or portion thereof, that is needed by the Company to complete an Initial Business Combination until March 16, 2024, resulting in a Maximum Extension Payment of \$450,000. If the Sponsor advises the Company that it will not deposit the next \$75,000 payment, then the Company will, as promptly as reasonably possible but not more than ten business days thereafter, redeem the Public Shares at a per-share price, payable in cash, equal to the aggregate amount then on deposit in the Trust Account, including interest earned on the funds held in the Trust Account and not previously released to the Company to pay its tax obligations, if any (less up to \$100,000 of interest to pay dissolution expenses) divided by the number of the then-outstanding Public Shares on hich rest is as shareholders (including the right to receive further liquidating distributions, if any). The Extension Note bears no interest and is repayable in full upon (a) the date of the company will repay the Extension Note out of the proceeds of the Trust Account released to the Company. Otherwise, the Extension Note would be repaid only out of funds held outside the Trust Account. In the event that an Initial Business Combination does not close, the Company may use a portion of the proceeds held outside the Trust Account to repay the Extension Note but no proceeds held in the Trust Account would be used to repay the Extension Note.

The Sponsor deposited the first and second monthly amounts on September 18, 2023 and October 19, 2023 respectively. The Sponsor may, but will not be obligated to, deposit up to four additional equal amounts equal to \$75,000 for each month, or portion thereof, that is needed by the Company to complete an Initial Business Combination until March 16, 2024. As of September 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022, the Company had borrowings of \$75,000 and \$0, respectively for extension payments (now documented by the Extension Note).

The foregoing description of the Extension Note does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of the Extension Note, a copy of which is filed with this Current Report on Form 8-K as Exhibit 10.3 and is incorporated herein by reference.

On November 14, 2023, to document existing and future Working Capital Loans, the Company issued the Convertible Note, an unsecured, convertible promissory note, to the Sponsor, pursuant to which the Company can borrow up to \$1,500,000 from the Sponsor, for ongoing expenses reasonably related to the business of the Company and the consummation of a Business Combination. All unpaid principal under the Convertible Note will be due and payable in full on the Maturity Date, which is the earlier of (i) March 16, 2024, or such later date by which the Company must consummate a Business Combination pursuant to its Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association (as may be amended by shareholder vote) and (ii) the effective date of a Business Combination. The Sponsor has the option, at any time on or prior to the Maturity Date, to convert any amounts outstanding under the Convertible Note, up to an aggregate amount of \$1,500,000, into warrants to purchase Class A ordinary shares of the Company, at a conversion price of \$1.50 per warrant, with each warrant entitling the holder to purchase one Class A ordinary share at a price of \$11.50 per share, subject to the same adjustments applicable to the Private Placement Warrants sold concurrently with the Company's Initial Public Offering. If the Company completes an Initial Business Combination, the Company will repay the Convertible Note out of the proceeds of the Trust Account released to the Company (unless the Sponsor elects to convert the outstanding balance into warrants). Otherwise, the Convertible Note would be repaid only out of funds held outside the Trust Account. In the event that an Initial Business Combination does not close, the Company may use a portion of the proceeds held outside the Trust Account to repay the Convertible Note. As of September 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022, the Company had borrowings of \$1,065,000 and \$0, respectively under the Working Capital Loans (now documented by the Convertible Note).

The foregoing description of the Convertible Note does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of the Convertible Note, a copy of which is filed with this Current Report on Form 8-K as Exhibit 10.3 and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 6. Exhibits.

Exhibit	
Number	Description
<u>3.1</u>	Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association, as amended March 13, 2023 and September 15, 2023 (previously filed as an exhibit to our
	Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed on October 10, 2023.
<u>10.1</u>	Termination Agreement dated August 21, 2023 (previously filed as an exhibit to our Current Report on Form 8-K filed on August 21, 2023 and incorporated
	by reference herein).
<u>10.2</u>	Promissory Note dated November 14, 2023.
<u>10.3</u>	Convertible Promissory Note dated November 14, 2023.
<u>31.1</u>	Certification of Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer) Pursuant to Rules 13a-14(a) and 15d-14(a) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,
	as Adopted Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
<u>31.2</u>	Certification of Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial and Accounting Officer) Pursuant to Rules 13a-14(a) and 15d-14(a) under the Securities
	Exchange Act of 1934, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
<u>32.1*</u>	Certification of Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer) Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the
	Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
<u>32.2*</u>	Certification of Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial and Accounting Officer) Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 906
	of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
101.INS	Inline XBRL Instance Document- the instance document does not appear in the Interactive Data File because its XBRL tags are embedded within the Inline
	XBRL document
101.SCH	Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema Document
101.CAL	Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase Document
101.DEF	Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase Document
101.LAB	Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase Document
101.PRE	Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase Document
104	Cover Page Interactive Data File (formatted as Inline XBRL and contained in Exhibit 101)

\* These certifications are furnished to the SEC pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 and are deemed not filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, nor shall they be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

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# SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Dated: November 20, 2023	ROSS ACQUISITION CORP II		
	By:/s/ Wilbur L. Ross, Jr.Name:Wilbur L. Ross, Jr.Title:Chief Executive Officer		
Dated: November 20, 2023	By:/s/ Stephen J. ToyName:Stephen J. ToyTitle:Chief Financial Officer		
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THIS PROMISSORY NOTE ("NOTE") HAS NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE "SECURITIES ACT"). THIS NOTE HAS BEEN ACQUIRED FOR INVESTMENT ONLY AND MAYNOT BE SOLD, TRANSFERRED OR ASSIGNED IN THE ABSENCE OF REGISTRATION OF THE RESALE THEREOF UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OR AN OPINION OF COUNSEL REASONABLY SATISFACTORY IN FORM, SCOPE AND SUBSTANCE TO THE COMPANY THAT SUCH REGISTRATION IS NOT REQUIRED.

#### PROMISSORY NOTE

Principal Amount: Up to \$450,000.00

Dated as of November 14, 2023 New York, New York

Ross Acquisition Corp II, an exempted company incorporated with limited liability under the laws of the Cayman Islands (the "**Maker**"), promises to pay to the order of Ross Holding Company LLC, or its registered assigns or successors in interest (the "**Payee**"), or order, the principal sum of up to \$450,000.00 in lawful money of the United States of America, on the terms and conditions described below. All payments on this Note shall be made by check or wire transfer of immediately available funds to such account as the Payee may from time to time designate by written notice in accordance with the provisions of this Note.

1. **Principal.** The principal balance of this Note shall be due and payable by the Maker (such date, the "**Maturity Date**"), subject to Section 12 below, (a) upon the consummation of the Maker's proposed initial business combination and (b) the date of the liquidation of the Maker.

2. Interest. No interest shall accrue on the unpaid principal balance of this Note.

**3. Drawdown Requests.** The Payee will, at its option, fund up to \$450,000.00 into the trust account of the Maker established in connection with its initial public offering and currently maintained by Continental Stock Transfer & Trust Company, a New York corporation (the "**Trust Account**"), such amounts to be for the benefit of the holders of the Maker's unredeemed Class A ordinary shares upon redemption or liquidation of the Maker in accordance with the Maker's amended and restated certificate of incorporation, as amended. The principal amount of this Instrument may be drawn down (each such drawdown, a "**Drawdown**") by the Maker, subject to the Payee's approval, in six equal amounts of \$75,000.00 on the 16<sup>th</sup> of each month from September 2023 through March 2024; *provided, however*; that the maximum amount of Drawdowns collectively funded by the Payee under this Instrument shall not exceed \$450,000.00. The Payee, in its sole discretion, shall fund each Drawdown via a wire transfer directly to the Trust Account no later than the 16<sup>th</sup> of each appliable monthly period. Once an amount is drawn down under this Note, it shall not be available for future Drawdown Requests. Except as set forth herein, no fees, payments or other amounts shall be due to the Payee in connection with, or as a result of, any Drawdown by the Maker.

4. Application of Payments. All payments shall be applied first to payment in full of any costs incurred in the collection of any sum due under this Note, including, without limitation, reasonable attorneys' fees, and then to the payment in full of any late charges and finally to the reduction of the unpaid principal balance of this Note.

5. Events of Default. The following shall constitute an event of default ("Event of Default"):

(a) <u>Failure to Make Required Payments</u>. Failure by the Maker to pay the principal amount due pursuant to this Note within five (5) business days of the Maturity Date.

(b) <u>Voluntary Bankruptcy, Etc</u>. The commencement by the Maker of a voluntary case under any applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, rehabilitation or other similar law, or the consent by it to the appointment of or taking possession by a receiver, liquidator, assignee, trustee, custodian, sequestrator (or other similar official) of the Maker or for any substantial part of its property, or the making by it of any assignment for the benefit of creditors, or the failure of the Maker generally to pay its debts as such debts become due, or the taking of corporate action by the Maker in furtherance of any of the foregoing.

(c) <u>Involuntary Bankruptcy, Etc.</u> The entry of a decree or order for relief by a court having jurisdiction in the premises in respect of the Maker in an involuntary case under any applicable bankruptcy, insolvency or other similar law, or appointing a receiver, liquidator, assignee, custodian, trustee, sequestrator (or similar official) of the Maker or for any substantial part of its property, or ordering the winding-up or liquidation of its affairs, and the continuance of any such decree or order unstayed and in effect for a period of sixty (60) consecutive days.

# 6. Remedies.

(a) Upon the occurrence of an Event of Default specified in Section 5(a) hereof, the Payee may, by written notice to the Maker, declare this Note to be due immediately and payable, whereupon the unpaid principal amount of this Note, and all other amounts payable hereunder, shall become immediately due and payable without presentment, demand, protest or other notice of any kind, all of which are hereby expressly waived, anything contained herein or in the documents evidencing the same to the contrary notwithstanding.

(b) Upon the occurrence of an Event of Default specified in Sections 5(b) and 5(c), the unpaid principal balance of this Note, and all other sums payable with regard to this Note, shall automatically and immediately become due and payable, in all cases without any action on the part of the Payee.

7. Waivers. The Maker and all endorsers and guarantors of, and sureties for, this Note waive presentment for payment, demand, notice of dishonor, protest, and notice of protest with regard to this Note, all errors, defects and imperfections in any proceedings instituted by the Payee under the terms of this Note, and all benefits that might accrue to the Maker by virtue of any present or future laws exempting any property, real or personal, or any part of the proceeds arising from any sale of any such property, from attachment, levy or sale under execution, or providing for any stay of execution, exemption from civil process, or extension of time for payment, and the Maker agrees that any real estate that may be levied upon pursuant to a judgment obtained by virtue hereof or any writ of execution issued hereon, may be sold upon any such writ in whole or in part in any order desired by the Payee.

8. Unconditional Liability. The Maker hereby waives all notices in connection with the delivery, acceptance, performance, default, or enforcement of the payment of this Note, and agrees that its liability shall be unconditional, without regard to the liability of any other party, and shall not be affected in any manner by any indulgence, extension of time, renewal, waiver or modification granted or consented to by the Payee, and consents to any and all extensions of time, renewals, waivers, or modifications that may be granted by the Payee with respect to the payment or other provisions of this Note, and agrees that additional makers, endorsers, guarantors, or sureties may become parties hereto without notice to the Maker or affecting the Maker's liability hereunder.

9. Notices. All notices, statements or other documents which are required or contemplated by this Note shall be made in writing and delivered: (a) personally or sent by first class registered or certified mail, overnight courier service or facsimile or electronic transmission to the address designated in writing, (b) by facsimile to the number most recently provided to such party or such other address or fax number as may be designated in writing by such party or (c) by electronic mail, to the electronic mail address most recently provided to such party or such other electronic mail address as may be designated in writing by such party. Any notice or other communication so transmitted shall be deemed to have been given on the day of delivery, if delivered personally, on the business day following receipt of written confirmation, if sent by facsimile or electronic transmission, one (1) business day after delivery to an overnight courier service or five (5) days after mailing if sent by mail.

**10. Construction.** THIS NOTE SHALL BE CONSTRUED AND ENFORCED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAWS OF DELAWARE, WITHOUT REGARD TO CONFLICT OF LAW PROVISIONS THEREOF.

11. Severability. Any provision contained in this Note, which is prohibited or unenforceable in any jurisdiction shall, as to such jurisdiction, be ineffective to the extent of such prohibition or unenforceability without invalidating the remaining provisions hereof, and any such prohibition or unenforceability in any jurisdiction shall not invalidate or render unenforceable such provision in any other jurisdiction.

12. Trust Waiver. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the Payee hereby waives any and all right, title, interest or claim of any kind ("Claim") in or to any distribution of or from the Trust Account in which the proceeds of the initial public offering ("the "IPO") conducted by the Maker (including the deferred underwriters' discounts and commissions) and the proceeds of the sale of the units issued in a private placement that occurred prior to the closing of the IPO were deposited, as described in greater detail in the Maker's Registration Statement on Form S-1 (File No. 333-252633) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission in connection with the IPO, and hereby agrees not to seek recourse, reimbursement, payment or satisfaction for any Claim against the Trust Account for any reason whatsoever.

13. Amendment; Waiver. Any amendment hereto or waiver of any provision hereof may be made with, and only with, the written consent of the Maker and the Payee.

14. Assignment. Maker may not assign or transfer this Note or any of its rights or obligations hereunder (by operation of law or otherwise) without the prior written consent of Payee and any attempted assignment without the required consent shall be void.

### [Remainder of page intentionally left blank. Signature page follows.]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Maker, intending to be legally bound hereby, has caused this Note to be duly executed by the undersigned as of the day and year first above written.

# **Ross Acquisition Corp II**

By: /s/ Wilbur L. Ross, Jr. Name: Wilbur L. Ross, Jr. Title: President and Chief Executive Officer

# **Ross Holding Company LLC**

By: /s/ Wilbur L. Ross, Jr.

Name: Wilbur L. Ross, Jr. Title: Managing Member

[Signature Page-Promissory Note]

#### Exhibit 10.3

THIS PROMISSORY NOTE (THIS "**NOTE**") AND THE SECURITIES INTO WHICH IT MAY BE CONVERTED HAVE NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE "**SECURITIES ACT**"), OR UNDER THE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY STATE. THESE SECURITIES ARE SUBJECT TO RESTRICTIONS ON TRANSFERABILITY AND RESALE. THIS NOTE HAS BEEN ACQUIRED FOR INVESTMENT ONLY AND MAY NOT BE SOLD, TRANSFERRED OR ASSIGNED EXCEPT AS PERMITTED UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT AND THE APPLICABLE STATE SECURITIES LAWS, PURSUANT TO REGISTRATION OR EXEMPTION THEREFROM. INVESTORS SHOULD BE AWARE THAT THEY MAY BE REQUIRED TO BEAR THE FINANCIAL RISKS OF THIS INVESTMENT FOR AN INDEFINITE PERIOD OF TIME. THE MAKER AND THE SECURITIES INTO WHICH IT MAY BE CONVERTED MAY REQUIRE AN OPINION OF COUNSEL REASONABLY SATISFACTORY IN FORM, SCOPE AND SUBSTANCE TO THE MAKER TO THE EFFECT THAT ANY SALE OR OTHER DISPOSITION IS IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE SECURITIES ACT AND ANY APPLICABLE STATE SECURITIES LAWS.

#### **ROSS ACQUISITION CORP II**

# CONVERTIBLE PROMISSORY NOTE

Principal Amount: Not to Exceed \$1,500,000.00 (See <u>Schedule A</u>) Dated as of November 14, 2023

FOR VALUE RECEIVED and subject to the terms and conditions set forth herein, Ross Acquisition Corp II (the "*Maker*") promises to pay to the order of Ross Holding Company LLC (the "*Payee*") the principal balance as set forth on <u>Schedule A</u> hereto in lawful money of the United States of America; which schedule shall be updated from time to time by the parties hereto to reflect all advances and readvances outstanding under this Note; *provided* that at no time shall the aggregate of all advances and readvances outstanding under this Note exceed one million five hundred thousand dollars (\$1,500,000.00). Any advance hereunder shall be made by the Payee upon receipt of a written request of the Maker, related to ongoing expenses reasonably related to the business of the Maker and the consummation of the Business Combination (as defined below), and shall be set forth on <u>Schedule A</u>. Any advance hereunder shall only be made by the Payee as, and to the extent, expenses are incurred or are reasonably expected to be incurred and the amounts of such advance shall be used to pay or repay such expenses. All payments on this Note shall be made by check or wire transfer of immediately available funds or as otherwise determined by the Maker to such account as the Payee may from time to time designate by written notice in accordance with the provisions of this Note.

1. Principal. All unpaid principal under this Note shall be due and payable in full on the earlier of (i) March 16, 2024, or such later date by which the Maker must consummate a Business Combination (as defined below) pursuant to its governing documents(as may be amended by a shareholder vote) and (ii) the effective date of a merger, capital stock exchange, asset acquisition, stock purchase, reorganization or similar business combination, involving the Maker and one or more businesses (the "*Business Combination*") (such earlier date, the "*Maturity Date*"), unless accelerated upon the occurrence of an Event of Default (as defined below). Any outstanding principal amount to date under this Note may be prepaid at any time by the Maker, at its election and without penalty; *provided, however*, that Payee shall have a right to first convert such principal balance pursuant to <u>Section 5</u> below upon notice of such prepayment.

2. Interest. No interest shall accrue on the unpaid balance of this Note.

**3.** Application of Payments. All payments shall be applied first to payment in full of any costs incurred in the collection of any sum due under this Note, including (without limitation) reasonable attorney's fees, then to the payment in full of any late charges and finally to the reduction of the unpaid principal balance of this Note.

4. Events of Default. The occurrence of any of the following shall constitute an event of default ("Event of Default"):

(a) <u>Failure to Make Required Payments</u>. Failure by the Maker to pay the principal amount due pursuant to this Note within five (5) business days after the date specified above or issue warrants pursuant to <u>Section 5</u> hereof, if so elected by the Payee.

(b) <u>Voluntary Bankruptcy</u>, <u>Failure to Consummate a Business Combination; Liquidation of Trust Account, Etc</u>. The commencement by the Maker of a voluntary case under any applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, rehabilitation or other similar law, or the consent by it to the appointment of or taking possession by a receiver, liquidator, assignee, trustee, custodian, sequestrator (or other similar official) of the Maker or for any substantial part of its property, or the making by it of any assignment for the benefit of creditors, or the failure of the Maker generally to pay its debts as such debts become due, or the taking of corporate action by the Maker in furtherance of any of the foregoing, or in the event the Maker does not consummate a business combination within the timeframe required by its charter (as may be amended by a shareholder vote) or the Maker's trust account is liquidated.

(c) <u>Involuntary Bankruptcy</u>, <u>Etc</u>. The entry of a decree or order for relief by a court having jurisdiction in the premises in respect of the Maker in an involuntary case under any applicable bankruptcy, insolvency or other similar law, or appointing a receiver, liquidator, assignee, custodian, trustee, sequestrator (or similar official) of the Maker or for any substantial part of its property, or ordering the winding-up or liquidation of its affairs, and the continuance of any such decree or order unstayed and in effect for a period of sixty (60) consecutive days.

#### 5. Conversion

(a) Optional Conversion. At the option of the Payee, at any time on or prior to the Maturity Date, any amounts outstanding under this Note (or any portion thereof), up to \$1,500,000.00 in the aggregate, may be converted into warrants to purchase Class A ordinary shares of the Maker ("Ordinary Shares") at a conversion price (the "Conversion Price") equal to \$1.50 per warrant ("Warrants"). If the Payee elects such conversion, the terms of such Warrants issued in connection with such conversion shall be identical to the warrants issued in the private placement that closed on March 16, 2021 (the "Private Placement Warrants") in connection with the Maker's initial public offering that closed on March 16, 2021 (the "IPO"); provided, however, that the Warrants shall not be subject to forfeiture in connection with the Business Combination and that each Warrant shall entitle the holder thereof to purchase one Ordinary Share at a price of \$11.50 per share, subject to the same adjustments applicable to the Private Placement Warrants made after the date of issuance of the Private Placement Warrants. Before this Note, duly endorsed, at the office of the Maker and shall state therein the amount of the unpaid principal of this Note to be converted and the name or names in which the certificates for Warrants are to be issued (or the book-entries to be made to reflect ownership of such Warrants are of the Private Placement Warrants. The Warrants are of the private placement Warrants as of such date. Each such newly issued Warrant shall include a restricted legend that contemplates the same restrictions as the Private Placement Warrants. The Warrants and Ordinary Shares issuable upon exercise of the Warrants shall constitute "Registrable Securities" pursuant to that certain Registration Rights Agreement, dated March 16, 2021, among the Maker, the Payee and certain other security holders name therein.

(b) <u>Remaining Principal</u>. All accrued and unpaid principal of this Note that is not then converted into Warrants, shall continue to remain outstanding and to be subject to the conditions of this Note.

(c) <u>Fractional Warrants</u>; <u>Effect of Conversion</u>. No fractional Warrants shall be issued upon conversion of this Note. In lieu of any fractional Warrants to the Payee upon conversion of this Note, the Maker shall pay to the Payee an amount equal to the product obtained by multiplying the Conversion Price by the fraction of a Warrant not issued pursuant to the previous sentence. Upon conversion of this Note in full and the payment of any amounts specified in this <u>Section 5(c)</u>, this Note shall be cancelled and void without further action of the Maker or the Payee, and the Maker shall be forever released from all its obligations and liabilities under this Note.

#### 6. Remedies.

(a) Upon the occurrence of an Event of Default specified in <u>Section 4(a)</u> hereof, the Payee may, by written notice to the Maker, declare this Note to be due immediately and payable, whereupon the unpaid principal amount of this Note, and all other amounts payable thereunder, shall become immediately due and payable without presentment, demand, protest or other notice of any kind, all of which are hereby expressly waived, anything contained herein or in the documents evidencing the same to the contrary notwithstanding.

(b) Upon the occurrence of an Event of Default specified in Sections 4(b) or 4(c), the unpaid principal balance of this Note and all other sums payable with regard to this Note shall automatically and immediately become due and payable, in all cases without any action on the part of the Payee.

7. Waivers. The Maker and all endorsers and guarantors of, and sureties for, this Note waive presentment for payment, demand, notice of dishonor, protest, and notice of protest with regard to the Note, all errors, defects and imperfections in any proceedings instituted by the Payee under the terms of this Note, and all benefits that might accrue to the Maker by virtue of any present or future laws exempting any property, real or personal, or any part of the proceeds arising from any sale of any such property, from attachment, levy or sale under execution, or providing for any stay of execution, exemption from civil process, or extension of time for payment; and the Maker agrees that any real estate that may be levied upon pursuant to a judgment obtained by virtue hereof, on any writ of execution issued hereon, may be sold upon any such writ in whole or in part in any order desired by the Payee.

8. Unconditional Liability. The Maker hereby waives all notices in connection with the delivery, acceptance, performance, default, or enforcement of the payment of this Note, and agrees that its liability shall be unconditional, without regard to the liability of any other party, and shall not be affected in any manner by any indulgence, extension of time, renewal, waiver or modification granted or consented to by the Payee, and consents to any and all extensions of time, renewals, waivers, or modifications that may be granted by the Payee with respect to the payment or other provisions of this Note, and agrees that additional makers, endorsers, guarantors, or sureties may become parties hereto without notice to the Maker or affecting the Maker's liability hereunder.

9. Notices. All notices, statements or other documents that are required or contemplated by this Note shall be in writing and delivered (i) personally or sent by first class registered or certified mail, overnight courier service to the address designated to Ross Holding Company LLC, 1 Pelican Lane, Palm Beach, Florida 33480. Any notice or other communication so transmitted shall be deemed to have been given on the day of delivery, if delivered personally; one (1) business day after delivery to an overnight courier service; or five (5) days after mailing if sent by first class registered or certified mail.

**10.** Construction. THIS NOTE SHALL BE GOVERNED BY AND CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAWS OF NEW YORK APPLICABLE TO CONTRACTS MADE AND TO BE PERFORMED WITHIN THE STATE OF NEW YORK.

11. Severability. Any provision contained in this Note that is prohibited or unenforceable in any jurisdiction shall, as to such jurisdiction, be ineffective to the extent of such prohibition or unenforceability without invalidating the remaining provisions hereof, and any such prohibition or unenforceability in any jurisdiction shall not invalidate or render unenforceable such provision in any other jurisdiction.

12. Trust Waiver. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the Payee hereby waives any and all right, title, interest or claim of any kind ("*Claim*") in or to any distribution of or from the trust account established in which the proceeds of the IPO conducted by the Maker (including deferred underwriters' discounts and commissions, if any) and certain proceeds of the sale of the Private Placement Warrants were deposited, as described in greater detail in the registration statement and prospectus filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission in connection with the IPO on March 16, 2021, as amended, and hereby agrees not to seek recourse, reimbursement, payment or satisfaction for any Claim against the trust account for any reason whatsoever.

13. Amendment; Waiver. Any amendment hereto or waiver of any provision hereof may be made with, and only with, the written consent of the Maker and the Payee.

14. Successors and Assigns. Subject to the restrictions on transfer in Sections 15 and 16 below, the rights and obligations of the Maker and the Payee hereunder shall be binding upon and benefit the successors, assigns, heirs, administrators and transferees of any party hereto (by operation of law or otherwise) with the prior written consent of the other party hereto and any attempted assignment without the required consent shall be void.

15. Transfer of this Note or Securities Issuable on Conversion. With respect to any sale or other disposition of this Note or securities into which this Note may be converted, the Payee shall give written notice to the Maker prior thereto, describing briefly the manner thereof, together with (i) a written opinion reasonably satisfactory to the Maker in form and substance from counsel reasonably satisfactory to the Maker to the effect that such sale or other distribution may be effected without registration or qualification under any federal or state law then in effect and (ii) a written undertaking executed by the desired transferee reasonably satisfactory to the Maker in form and substance agreeing to be bound by the restrictions on transfer contained herein. Upon receiving such written notice, reasonably satisfactory opinion, or other evidence, and such written acknowledgement, the Maker, as promptly as practicable, shall notify the Payee that the Payee may sell or otherwise dispose of this Note or such securities, all in accordance with the terms of the Note delivered to the Maker. If a determination has been made pursuant to this <u>Section 15</u> that the opinion of counsel for the Payee, or other evidence, or the written acknowledgment from the desired transferee, is not reasonably satisfactory to the Maker, the Payee promptly after such determination has been made. Each Note thus transferred shall bear a legend as to the applicable restrictions on transferability in order to ensure compliance with the Securities Act, unless in the opinion of counsel for the Maker such legend is not required in order to ensure compliance with the Securities Act, unless in the opinion of counsel for the Maker. Prior to presentation of this Note for registration of transfer, the Maker shall treat the registered holder hereof as the owner and holder of this Note for the purpose of receiving all payments of principal hereon and for all other purposes whatsoever, whether or not this Note shall be overdue and the Maker shall not be

16. Acknowledgment. The Payee is acquiring this Note for investment for its own account, not as a nominee or agent, and not with a view to, or for resale in connection with, any distribution thereof. The Payee understands that the acquisition of this Note involves substantial risk. The Payee has experience as an investor in securities of companies and acknowledges that it is able to fend for itself, can bear the economic risk of its investment in this Note, and has such knowledge and experience in financial and business matters that it is capable of evaluating the merits and risks of this investment in this Note and protecting its own interests in connection with this investment.

[Signature Page Follows]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Maker, intending to be legally bound hereby, has caused this Note to be duly executed by the undersigned as of the day and year first above written.

# **ROSS ACQUISITION CORP II**

By: /s/ Wilbur L. Ross, Jr.

Name:Wilbur L. RossTitle:President and Chief Executive Officer

Acknowledged and agreed as of the date first above written.

# ROSS HOLDING COMPANY LLC

By: /s/ Wilbur L. Ross, Jr.

Name: Wilbur L. Ross, Jr. Title: Managing Member

[Signature Page to Amended and Restated Convertible Promissory Note]

# SCHEDULE A

Subject to the terms and conditions set forth in the Note to which this schedule is attached to, the principal balance due under the Note shall be set forth in the table below and shall be updated from time to time to reflect all advances and readvances outstanding under the Note.

			Principal Undrawn
Date	Drawing	Description	Balance

## CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO RULES 13a-14(a) AND 15d-14(a) UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934, AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 302 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

I, Wilbur L. Ross, Jr., certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2023 of Ross Acquisition Corp II;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officers and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) for the registrant and have:
  - a. Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
  - b. Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
  - c. Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
  - d. Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officers and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
  - a. All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
  - b. Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal controls over financial reporting.

Date: November 20, 2023

By: /s/ Wilbur L. Ross, Jr.

Wilbur L. Ross, Jr. Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer)

## CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO RULES 13a-14(a) AND 15d-14(a) UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934, AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 302 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

I, Stephen J. Toy, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2023 of Ross Acquisition Corp II;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officers and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) for the registrant and have:
  - a. Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
  - b. Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
  - c. Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
  - d. Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officers and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
  - a. All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
  - b. Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal controls over financial reporting.

Date: November 20, 2023

By: /s/ Stephen J. Toy

Stephen J. Toy Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)

## CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350, AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

In connection with the Quarterly Report of Ross Acquisition Corp II (the "<u>Company</u>") on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2023, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "<u>Report</u>"), I, Wilbur L. Ross, Jr., Chief Executive Officer, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that, to my knowledge:

(1) the Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and

(2) the information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Date: November 20, 2023

/s/ Wilbur L. Ross, Jr.

Name: Wilbur L. Ross, Jr. Title: Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer)

## CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350, AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

In connection with the Quarterly Report of Ross Acquisition Corp II (the "<u>Company</u>") on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2023, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "<u>Report</u>"), I, Stephen J. Toy, Chief Financial Officer, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that, to my knowledge:

(1) the Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and

(2) the information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Date: November 20, 2023

/s/ Stephen J. Toy

Name: Stephen J. Toy Title: Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)