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Preliminary Pricing Supplement dated \_\_\_\_\_, 2017

(To Prospectus Supplement dated March 28, 2017

and Prospectus dated March 28, 2017)

**Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce**

**Senior Global Medium-Term Notes (Structured Notes)**

**\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Contingent Coupon Autocallable Notes Linked to the Lowest Performing of the S&P 500® Index, the Russell 2000® Index and the Dow Jones Industrial Average® due February 1, 2019**

We, Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce (the Bank or CIBC), are offering \$ \_\_\_\_\_ aggregate principal amount of our Contingent Coupon Autocallable Notes Linked to the Lowest Performing of the S&P 500® Index, the Russell 2000® Index and the Dow Jones Industrial Average® due February 1, 2019 (CUSIP 13605WEQ0 / ISIN US13605WEQ06) (the Notes). The Notes are senior unsecured debt securities of CIBC that do not pay interest at a specified rate, do not repay a fixed amount of principal at maturity and are subject to potential automatic call upon the terms described in this pricing supplement. Whether the Notes pay a quarterly contingent coupon, whether the Notes are automatically called prior to maturity and, if they are not automatically called, whether you are repaid the principal amount of your Notes at maturity will depend in each case upon the Closing Level of the Lowest Performing of the S&P 500® Index, the Russell 2000® Index and the Dow Jones Industrial Average® (each a Reference Asset and together the Reference Assets) on the relevant Valuation Date. The Lowest Performing Reference Asset on any Valuation Date is the Reference Asset that has the lowest Closing Level on that Valuation Date as a percentage of its Initial Level.

The Notes provide quarterly Contingent Coupon Payments at a rate of [1.350% - 1.550%] ([5.40% - 6.20%] per annum) until the earlier of maturity or automatic call if, **and only if**, the Closing Level of the Lowest Performing Reference Asset on the applicable quarterly Valuation Date is greater than or equal to its Coupon Barrier Level. However, if the Closing Level of the Lowest Performing Reference Asset on a Valuation Date is less than its Coupon Barrier Level, you will not receive any Contingent Coupon Payment for the relevant quarterly period. If the Closing Level of the Lowest Performing Reference Asset is less than its Coupon Barrier Level on every Valuation Date, you will not receive any Contingent Coupon Payments throughout the entire term of the Notes.

If the Notes have not been previously called, the amount that you will be paid on your Notes at maturity will depend on the performance of the Reference Assets and will be calculated as follows:

- If the Final Level of the Lowest Performing Reference Asset on the Final Valuation Date is greater than or equal to its Initial Level: (i) the Principal Amount plus (ii) the Contingent Coupon Payment for the Maturity Date.

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- If the Final Level of the Lowest Performing Reference Asset on the Final Valuation Date is less than its Initial Level but greater than or equal to its Principal Barrier Level:
  - If a Trigger Event has not occurred: (i) the Principal Amount plus (ii) the Contingent Coupon Payment for the Maturity Date.
  - If a Trigger Event has occurred: (i) the Principal Amount + (the Principal Amount multiplied by the Percentage Change) plus (ii) the Contingent Coupon Payment for the Maturity Date.
- If the Final Level of the Lowest Performing Reference Asset on the Final Valuation Date is less than its Principal Barrier Level: (i) the Principal Amount plus (ii) the Principal Amount multiplied by the Percentage Change.

A Trigger Event is deemed to have occurred if, on any Trading Day during the Monitoring Period, the Closing Level of any Reference Asset is less than its Principal Barrier Level. The Monitoring Period is the period from but excluding the Trade Date to and including the Final Valuation Date.

If the Closing Level of the Lowest Performing Reference Asset on any quarterly Valuation Date other than the Final Valuation Date is greater than or equal to its Initial Level, we will automatically call the Notes and pay you on the applicable Call Payment Date your initial investment of \$1,000 per Note plus the applicable Contingent Coupon Payment for that Valuation Date and no further amounts will be owed to you. If, as of the Maturity Date, the Notes have not been called, investors may have downside market exposure to the Reference Assets, subject to any return previously realized in the form of Contingent Coupon Payments.

**Your return on the Notes will depend on the performance of the Reference Asset that is the Lowest Performing Reference Asset on each Valuation Date. You will not benefit in any way from the performance of the better performing Reference Assets. Therefore, you will be adversely affected if any Reference Asset performs poorly, even if the other Reference Assets perform favorably. Furthermore, you will not participate in any appreciation of any of the Reference Assets.**

The Notes will be issued in the denomination of \$1,000 and integral multiples of \$1,000 in excess thereof.

The Notes are a new issue of securities with no established trading market. We do not intend to list the Notes on any securities exchange or automated quotation system.

**The Notes are unsecured obligations of CIBC and all payments on the Notes are subject to the credit risk of CIBC. The Notes will not constitute deposits insured by the Canada Deposit Insurance Corporation, the U.S. Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other government agency or instrumentality of Canada, the United States or any other jurisdiction.**

**Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC) nor any state or provincial securities commission has approved or disapproved of these Notes or determined if this pricing supplement or the accompanying Prospectus Supplement and Prospectus is truthful or complete. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.**

Investing in the Notes involves risks. See the Additional Risk Factors sections in this pricing supplement and the Risk Factors sections in the accompanying Prospectus Supplement and Prospectus.

CIBC World Markets Corp. or one of our other affiliates may use this pricing supplement in a market-making transaction in a Note after its initial sale. Unless we or our agent informs the purchaser otherwise in the confirmation of sale, this pricing supplement is being used in a market-making transaction.

	Initial Issue Price(1)	Price to Public(1)	Agent's Commission(2)	Proceeds to Issuer(2)
Per Note	\$1,000	100%	1.75%	98.25%
Total	\$	\$	\$	\$

(1) Our estimated value of the Notes on the Trade Date, based on our internal pricing models, is expected to be between \$959.50 and \$979.70 per Note. The estimated value is expected to be less than the initial issue price of the Notes. See The Bank's Estimated Value of the Notes in this pricing supplement.

(2) CIBC World Markets Corp. will receive commissions from the Issuer of up to 1.75% of the principal amount of the Notes, or up to \$17.50 per \$1,000 principal amount. CIBC World Markets Corp. will use these commissions to pay variable selling concessions or fees (including custodial or clearing fees) to other dealers. The actual commission received by CIBC World Markets Corp. will be equal to the selling concession paid to such dealers.

We will deliver the Notes in book-entry form through the facilities of The Depository Trust Company ( DTC ) on or about , 2017 against payment in immediately available funds.

**CIBC World Markets**

### **ABOUT THIS PRICING SUPPLEMENT**

You should read this pricing supplement together with the Prospectus dated March 28, 2017 (the "Prospectus") and the Prospectus Supplement dated March 28, 2017 (the "Prospectus Supplement"), relating to our Senior Global Medium-Term Notes (Structured Notes), of which these Notes are a part, for additional information about the Notes. Information in this pricing supplement supersedes information in the Prospectus Supplement and Prospectus to the extent it is different from that information. Certain defined terms used but not defined herein have the meanings set forth in the Prospectus Supplement or the Prospectus.

You should rely only on the information contained in or incorporated by reference in this pricing supplement, the accompanying Prospectus Supplement and the accompanying Prospectus. This pricing supplement may be used only for the purpose for which it has been prepared. No one is authorized to give information other than that contained in this pricing supplement, the accompanying Prospectus Supplement and the accompanying Prospectus, and in the documents referred to in this pricing supplement, the Prospectus Supplement and the Prospectus and which are made available to the public. We have not, and CIBC World Markets Corp. ("CIBCWM") has not, authorized any other person to provide you with different or additional information. If anyone provides you with different or additional information, you should not rely on it.

We are not, and CIBCWM is not, making an offer to sell the Notes in any jurisdiction where the offer or sale is not permitted. You should not assume that the information contained in or incorporated by reference in this pricing supplement, the accompanying Prospectus Supplement or the accompanying Prospectus is accurate as of any date other than the date of the applicable document. Our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects may have changed since that date. Neither this pricing supplement, nor the accompanying Prospectus Supplement, nor the accompanying Prospectus constitutes an offer, or an invitation on our behalf or on behalf of CIBCWM, to subscribe for and purchase any of the Notes and may not be used for or in connection with an offer or solicitation by anyone in any jurisdiction in which such an offer or solicitation is not authorized or to any person to whom it is unlawful to make such an offer or solicitation.

References to "CIBC," "the Issuer," "the Bank," "we," "us" and "our" in this pricing supplement are references to Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce not to any of our subsidiaries, unless we state otherwise or the context otherwise requires.

You may access the Prospectus Supplement and Prospectus on the SEC website [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov) as follows (or if such address has changed, by reviewing our filing for the relevant date on the SEC website):

- Prospectus Supplement dated March 28, 2017 and Prospectus dated March 28, 2017 filed with the SEC on March 28, 2017: [https://www.sec.gov/Archives/edgar/data/1045520/000110465917019619/a17-8647\\_1424b3.htm](https://www.sec.gov/Archives/edgar/data/1045520/000110465917019619/a17-8647_1424b3.htm)

**SUMMARY**

The information in this Summary section is qualified by the more detailed information set forth in this pricing supplement, the Prospectus Supplement dated March 28, 2017 and the Prospectus dated March 28, 2017, each filed with the SEC. See About This Pricing Supplement in this pricing supplement.

<b>Issuer:</b>	Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce (the Issuer or the Bank )
<b>Type of Note:</b>	Contingent Coupon Autocallable Notes Linked to the Lowest Performing of the S&P 500® Index, the Russell 2000® Index and the Dow Jones Industrial Average® due February 1, 2019
<b>Reference Assets:</b>	The S&P 500® Index (ticker SPX ); the Russell 2000® Index (ticker RTY ); and the Dow Jones Industrial Average® (ticker INDU )
<b>CUSIP/ISIN:</b>	CUSIP: 13605WEQ0 / ISIN: US13605WEQ06
<b>Minimum Investment:</b>	\$1,000 (one Note)
<b>Denominations:</b>	\$1,000 and integral multiples of \$1,000 in excess thereof.
<b>Principal Amount:</b>	\$1,000 per Note
<b>Aggregate Principal Amount of Notes:</b>	
<b>Currency:</b>	U.S. Dollars
<b>Trade Date:</b>	Expected to be July 27, 2017
<b>Original Issue Date:</b>	Expected to be August 1, 2017 (to be determined on the Trade Date and expected to be the 3rd scheduled Business Day after the Trade Date)
<b>Initial Level:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• With respect to the S&amp;P 500® Index: _____, its Closing Level on the Trade Date.</li> <li>• With respect to the Russell 2000® Index: _____, its Closing Level on the Trade Date.</li> <li>• With respect to the Dow Jones Industrial Average®: _____, its Closing Level on the Trade Date.</li> </ul>
<b>Contingent Coupon Payment:</b>	On each Contingent Coupon Payment Date, you will receive payment at a per annum rate equal to the Contingent Coupon Rate (a Contingent Coupon Payment ) if, <b>and only if</b> , the Closing Level of the Lowest Performing Reference Asset on the related Valuation Date is greater than or equal to its Coupon Barrier Level.

**If the Closing Level of the Lowest Performing Reference Asset on the related Valuation Date is less than its Coupon Barrier Level, you will not receive any Contingent Coupon Payment on the related Contingent Coupon Payment Date. If the Closing Level of the**

**Lowest Performing Reference Asset is less than its Coupon Barrier Level on all quarterly Valuation Dates, you will not receive any Contingent Coupon Payments over the term of the Notes.**

Each quarterly Contingent Coupon Payment, if any, will be calculated per Note as follows:  $\$1,000 \times \text{Contingent Coupon Rate} \times (90/360)$ . Any Contingent Coupon Payments will be rounded to the nearest cent, with one-half cent rounded upward.

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- Coupon Barrier Level:** The Coupon Barrier Level for each Reference Asset is:
- With respect to the S&P 500® Index: (70% of its Initial Level).
  - With respect to the Russell 2000® Index: (70% of its Initial Level).
  - With respect to the Dow Jones Industrial Average®: (70% of its Initial Level).
- Contingent Coupon Payment Dates:** Each February 1, May 1, August 1 and November 1, commencing on November 1, 2017 and ending on the Maturity Date (the Maturity Date being the Contingent Coupon Payment Date with respect to the Final Valuation Date) or, if such day is not a Business Day, the first following Business Day, unless the first following Business Day is in the next calendar month, in which case the Contingent Coupon Payment will be made on the first preceding Business Day.
- The Contingent Coupon Payment Date will be postponed by the same number of Trading Days as the applicable Valuation Date if a Market Disruption Event occurs or is continuing as described below under Certain Terms of the Notes Market Disruption Events. No interest will accrue as a result of a delayed payment.
- Contingent Coupon Rate:** [5.40% - 6.20%] per annum ([1.350% - 1.550%] payable quarterly in arrears).
- Valuation Dates:** A Valuation Date means the date three scheduled Trading Days prior to the related Contingent Coupon Payment Date. The Valuation Date immediately preceding the Maturity Date, which we refer to as the Final Valuation Date, shall be the third scheduled Trading Day prior to the Maturity Date.
- The Valuation Dates may be delayed by the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event (as defined below). See Certain Terms of the Notes Market Disruption Events in this pricing supplement.
- Trading Day:** A Trading Day means a day on which the principal trading markets for each of the Reference Assets is open for trading.
- Lowest Performing Reference Asset:** On any Valuation Date, the Lowest Performing Reference Asset is the Reference Asset that has the lowest Closing Level on that date as a percentage of its Initial Level.
- Call Feature:** If the Closing Level of the Lowest Performing Reference Asset on any Valuation Date other than the Final Valuation Date is greater than or equal to its Initial Level, we will automatically call the Notes and pay you on the applicable Call Payment Date your initial investment of \$1,000.00 per Note plus the applicable Contingent Coupon Payment for that Valuation Date and no further amounts will be owed to you.
- If the Notes are automatically called, they will cease to be outstanding on the related Call Payment Date and you will have no further rights under the Notes after such Call Payment Date. You will not receive any notice from us if the Notes are automatically called.
- Call Payment Date:** A Call Payment Date means the Contingent Coupon Payment Date following the relevant Valuation Date.
- The Call Payment Date will be postponed by the same number of Trading Days as the applicable Valuation Date if a Market Disruption Event occurs or is continuing as described below under Certain Terms of the

Notes Market Disruption Events. No

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interest will accrue as a result of a delayed payment.

**Maturity Date:** Expected to be February 1, 2019. The Maturity Date is subject to the Call Feature and may be postponed upon the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event as described below under Certain Terms of the Notes Market Disruption Events. No interest will accrue as a result of a delayed payment.

**Payment at Maturity:** If the Notes have not been previously called, the Payment at Maturity will be based on the performance of the Lowest Performing Reference Asset on the Final Valuation Date and whether a Trigger Event has occurred. The Payment at Maturity will be calculated as follows:

- If the Final Level of the Lowest Performing Reference Asset on the Final Valuation Date is greater than or equal to its Initial Level, then the Payment at Maturity will be calculated as follows:

*Principal Amount + Contingent Coupon Payment for the Maturity Date*

- If the Final Level of the Lowest Performing Reference Asset on the Final Valuation Date is lower than its Initial Level but greater than or equal to its Principal Barrier Level, then the Payment at Maturity will be calculated as follows:

- o If a Trigger Event has not occurred:

*Principal Amount + Contingent Coupon Payment for the Maturity Date*

- o If a Trigger Event has occurred:

*Principal Amount + (Principal Amount × Percentage Change) + Contingent Coupon Payment for the Maturity Date*

- If the Final Level of the Lowest Performing Reference Asset on the Final Valuation Date is less than its Principal Barrier Level, then the Payment at Maturity will equal:

*Principal Amount + (Principal Amount × Percentage Change)*

*If the Final Level of the Lowest Performing Reference Asset is less than the Principal Barrier Level you will, or if a Trigger Event occurs you could, suffer a loss of a portion of the Principal Amount in an amount equal to the Percentage Change. Accordingly, you could lose up to 100% of your initial investment, subject to any return realized in the form of Contingent Coupon Payments, if any.*

**Final Level:** The Final Level of each Reference Asset will be the Closing Level of such Reference Asset on the Final Valuation Date.

**Closing Level:** For any date of determination, the Closing Level of each Reference Asset will be the closing level of such Reference Asset published on the applicable Bloomberg page or any successor page on Bloomberg or any successor service, as applicable. In certain special circumstances, the Closing Level will be determined by the Calculation Agent, in its discretion, and such determinations will, under certain circumstances, be confirmed by an independent calculation expert. See Certain Terms of the Notes Market Disruption Events, Certain Terms of the Notes Adjustments to a Reference Asset, and Certain Terms of the Notes Discontinuance of a Reference Asset, and

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Certain Terms of the Notes Appointment of Independent Calculation Experts in this pricing supplement.

The applicable Bloomberg pages for the Reference Assets as of the date of this pricing supplement are:

- SPX <Index>;
- RTY <Index>; and
- INDU <Index>.

**Trigger Event:** A Trigger Event is deemed to have occurred if, on any Trading Day during the Monitoring Period, the Closing Level of any Reference Asset is less than its Principal Barrier Level.

**Monitoring Period:** The Monitoring Period is the period from but excluding the Trade Date to and including the Final Valuation Date.

**Percentage Change:** The Percentage Change, expressed as a percentage, with respect to the Payment at Maturity, is calculated as follows for the Lowest Performing Reference Asset:

$$\frac{\text{Final Level} - \text{Initial Level}}{\text{Initial Level}}$$

Initial Level

For the avoidance of doubt, the Percentage Change may be a negative value.

**Principal Barrier Level:** The Principal Barrier Level for each Reference Asset is:

- With respect to the S&P 500® Index: (70% of its Initial Level).
- With respect to the Russell 2000® Index: (70% of its Initial Level).
- With respect to the Dow Jones Industrial Average®: (70% of its Initial Level).

**Principal at Risk:** You may lose all or a substantial portion of your initial investment at maturity if the Final Level of the Lowest Performing Reference Asset on the Final Valuation Date is below its Principal Barrier Level or if a Trigger Event has occurred and the Final Level of the Lowest Performing Reference Asset on the Final Valuation Date is below its Initial Level.

**Calculation Agent:** Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce. We may appoint a different Calculation Agent without your consent and without notifying you.

All determinations made by the Calculation Agent will be at its sole discretion, and, in the absence of manifest error, will be conclusive for all purposes and binding on us and you. All percentages and other amounts resulting from any calculation with respect to the Notes will be rounded at the Calculation Agent's discretion. The Calculation Agent will have no liability for its determinations.

**Status:** The Notes will constitute direct, unsubordinated and unsecured obligations of the Bank ranking *pari passu* with all other direct, unsecured and unsubordinated indebtedness of the Bank from time to time outstanding (except as otherwise prescribed by law). The Notes will not constitute deposits insured by the Canada Deposit Insurance Corporation, the U.S. Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other government agency or instrumentality of Canada, the United States or any other jurisdiction.

**Fees and Expenses:** The price at which you purchase the Notes includes costs that the Bank or its affiliates expect to incur and profits that the Bank or its affiliates expect to realize in connection

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with hedging activities related to the Notes, as set forth above. These costs and profits will likely reduce the secondary market price, if any secondary market develops, for the Notes. As a result, you may experience an immediate and substantial decline in the market value of your Notes on the Trade Date. See **Additional Risk Factors The Inclusion Of Dealer Spread And Projected Profit From Hedging In The Original Issue Price Is Likely To Adversely Affect Secondary Market Prices** in this pricing supplement.

- Business Day:** A Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday or Friday that is neither a legal holiday nor a day on which banking institutions are authorized or obligated by law, regulation or order to close in New York or Toronto.
- Listing:** The Notes will not be listed on any securities exchange or quotation system.
- Use of Proceeds:** General corporate purposes.
- Certain U.S. Benefit Plan Investor Considerations:** For a discussion of benefit plan investor considerations, please see **Certain U.S. Benefit Plan Investor Considerations** in the accompanying Prospectus.
- Clearance and Settlement:** We will issue the Notes in the form of a fully registered global note registered in the name of the nominee of DTC. Beneficial interests in the Notes will be represented through book-entry accounts of financial institutions acting on behalf of beneficial owners as direct and indirect participants in DTC. Except in the limited circumstances described in the accompanying Prospectus Supplement, owners of beneficial interests in the Notes will not be entitled to have Notes registered in their names, will not receive or be entitled to receive Notes in definitive form and will not be considered holders of Notes under the indenture.
- Terms Incorporated:** All of the terms appearing under the caption **Description of the Notes We May Offer** beginning on page S-7 of the accompanying Prospectus Supplement, as modified by this pricing supplement.

**INVESTING IN THE NOTES INVOLVES SIGNIFICANT RISKS. YOU MAY LOSE UP TO 100% OF YOUR PRINCIPAL AMOUNT. ANY PAYMENT ON THE NOTES, INCLUDING ANY REPAYMENT OF PRINCIPAL, IS SUBJECT TO THE CREDITWORTHINESS OF THE BANK. IF THE BANK WERE TO DEFAULT ON ITS PAYMENT OBLIGATIONS YOU MAY NOT RECEIVE ANY AMOUNTS OWED TO YOU UNDER THE NOTES AND YOU COULD LOSE YOUR ENTIRE INVESTMENT.**

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### INVESTOR SUITABILITY

The Notes may be suitable for you if:

- You seek an investment with quarterly Contingent Coupon Payments at a rate of [1.350% - 1.550%] ([5.40% - 6.20%] per annum) until the earlier of maturity or automatic call, if, **and only if**, the Closing Level of the Lowest Performing Reference Asset on the applicable Valuation Date is greater than or equal to its Coupon Barrier Level.
- You understand that if the Closing Level of the Lowest Performing Reference Asset on the Final Valuation Date has declined below its Principal Barrier Level, you will be fully exposed to the decline in such Lowest Performing Reference Asset from its Initial Level and will lose more than 30%, and possibly up to 100%, of the Principal Amount at maturity.
- You understand that if a Trigger Event has occurred and the Closing Level of the Lowest Performing Reference Asset on the Final Valuation Date has declined below its Initial Level, you will be fully exposed to the decline in such Lowest Performing Reference Asset from its Initial Level.
- You are willing to accept the risk that you may not receive any Contingent Coupon Payment on one or more, or any, quarterly Contingent Coupon Payment Dates over the term of the Notes and may lose up to 100% of the Principal Amount of the Notes at maturity.
- You understand that the Notes may be automatically called prior to maturity and that the term of the Notes may be as short as approximately three months.
- You understand that the return on the Notes will depend solely on the performance of the Reference Asset that is the Lowest Performing Reference Asset on each Valuation Date and that you will not benefit in any way from the performance of the better performing Reference Assets.
- You understand that the Notes are riskier than alternative investments linked to only one of the Reference Assets or linked to a basket composed of each Reference Asset.
- You understand and are willing to accept the full downside risks of each Reference Asset.
- You are willing to forgo participation in any appreciation of any Reference Asset.
- You are willing to assume the credit risk of the Bank for all payments under the Notes, and understand that if the Bank defaults on its obligations you may not receive any amounts due to you including any repayment of principal.

The Notes may not be suitable for you if:

- You seek a liquid investment or are unable or unwilling to hold the Notes to maturity.
- You are unwilling to accept the risk that the Closing Level of the Lowest Performing Reference Asset on the Final Valuation Day may decline by more than 30%, and possibly up to 100%, from its Initial Level.
- You seek exposure to the upside performance of any or each Reference Asset.
- You require full payment of the Principal Amount of the Notes at maturity.
- You are unwilling to purchase Notes with an estimated value as of the Trade Date that is lower than the Principal Amount.
- You seek certainty of current income over the term of the Notes.
- You seek exposure to a basket composed of each Reference Asset or a similar investment in which the overall return is based on a blend of the performances of the Reference Assets, rather than solely on the Lowest Performing Reference Asset.
- You seek a security with a fixed term.
- You do not fully understand the risks inherent in an investment in the Notes, including the risk of losing up to 100% of your initial investment.
- You are not willing to assume the credit risk of the Bank for all payments under the Notes.

**The investor suitability considerations identified above are not exhaustive. Whether or not the Notes are a suitable investment for you will depend on your individual circumstances and you should reach an investment decision only after you and your investment, legal, tax, accounting and other advisors have carefully considered the suitability of an investment in the Notes in light of your particular circumstances. You should also review Additional Risk Factors below for risks related to an investment in the Notes.**

## **CERTAIN TERMS OF THE NOTES**

### **Payments of Principal and Interest**

In the event that the stated Maturity Date is not a Business Day, then relevant repayment of principal will be made on the first following Business Day, unless the first following Business Day is in the next calendar month, in which case the relevant repayment of principal will be made on the first preceding Business Day ( Modified Following Business Day Convention ).

We describe payments as being based on a day count fraction of 30/360, unadjusted, Modified Following Business Day Convention. This means that the number of days in each Contingent Coupon Payment period will be based on a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months ( 30/360 ) and that the number of days in each Contingent Coupon Payment period will not be adjusted if a Contingent Coupon Payment Date falls on a day that is not a Business Day ( unadjusted ). We will pay any interest payable on any Contingent Coupon Payment Date other than the Maturity Date to the persons in whose names the Notes are registered at the close of business one Business Day prior to such Contingent Coupon Payment Date.

If any Contingent Coupon Payment Date or Call Payment Date falls on a day that is not a Business Day (including any Contingent Coupon Payment Date that is also the Maturity Date), the relevant Contingent Coupon Payment Date or Call Payment Date will be the first following Business Day, unless the first following Business Day is in the next calendar month, in which case the Contingent Coupon Payment Date or Call Payment Date will be the first preceding Business Day under the Modified Following Business Day Convention.

### **Market Disruption Events**

If a Market Disruption Event in respect of any Reference Asset occurs or is continuing on any scheduled Valuation Date, then such Valuation Date will be postponed for each Reference Asset to the first succeeding day that is a Trading Day for each Reference Asset and on which a Market Disruption Event has not occurred and is not continuing for any Reference Asset. If a Market Disruption Event in respect of any Reference Asset occurs or is continuing on each Trading Day to and including the seventh Trading Day following the Valuation Date, the Closing Level of each Reference Asset will be determined (or, if not determinable, estimated by the Calculation Agent in a manner which is considered commercially reasonable under the circumstances) by the Calculation Agent on that seventh Trading Day, regardless of the occurrence or continuation of a Market Disruption Event in respect of one or more Reference Assets on that day. In such an event, the Calculation Agent will make a good faith estimate in its sole discretion of the Closing Level of each affected Reference Asset that would have prevailed in the absence of the Market Disruption Event in respect of such Reference Asset. No interest will accrue as a result of delayed payment. In the event the Final Valuation Date is postponed as a result of a Market Disruption Event, the Maturity Date shall be five Business Days after the Final Valuation Date, as so postponed.

A Market Disruption Event means any event, circumstance or cause which the Bank determines, and the Calculation Agent confirms, has or will have a material adverse effect on the ability of the Bank to perform its obligations under the Notes or to hedge its position in respect of its obligations to make payment of amounts owing thereunder and more specifically includes the following events to the extent that they have such effect with respect to any of the Reference Assets:



- a suspension, absence or limitation of trading by the primary market or otherwise relating to the securities which then comprise 20% or more of the level of such Reference Asset, as determined by the Calculation Agent;
- a suspension, absence or limitation of trading in futures or options contracts relating to that Reference Asset in the primary market for those contracts, as determined by the Calculation Agent;

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- any event that disrupts or impairs, as determined by the Calculation Agent, the ability of market participants to effect transactions in, or obtain market values for, futures or options contracts relating to the Reference Asset in its primary market;
- the closure on any day of the primary market for futures or options contracts relating to the Reference Asset on a scheduled Trading Day prior to the scheduled weekday closing time of that market (without regard to after hours or any other trading outside of the regular trading session hours) unless such earlier closing time is announced by the primary market at least one hour prior to the earlier of (i) the actual closing time for the regular trading session on such primary market on such scheduled Trading Day for such primary market and (ii) the submission deadline for orders to be entered into the relevant exchange system for execution at the close of trading on such scheduled Trading Day for such primary market;
- any scheduled Trading Day on which the exchanges or quotation systems, if any, on which futures or options contracts relating to the Reference Asset are traded, fails to open for trading during its regular trading session; or
- any other event, if the Calculation Agent determines that the event interferes with our ability or the ability of any of our affiliates to unwind all or a portion of a hedge with respect to the Notes that we or our affiliates have effected or may effect as described below under **Use of Proceeds and Hedging** below.

#### **Adjustments to a Reference Asset**

If at any time the sponsor or publisher of any Reference Asset (each, a **Sponsor**) makes a material change in the formula for or the method of calculating the Reference Asset, or in any other way materially modifies the Reference Asset (other than a modification prescribed in that formula or method to maintain the Reference Asset in the event of changes in constituent stock and capitalization and other routine events), then, from and after that time, the Calculation Agent will, at the close of business in New York, New York, on each date that the Closing Level of the Reference Asset is to be calculated, calculate a substitute Closing Level of the Reference Asset in accordance with the formula for and method of calculating the Reference Asset last in effect prior to the change, but using only those securities that comprised the Reference Asset immediately prior to that change. Accordingly, if the method of calculating the Reference Asset is modified so that the level of the Reference Asset is a fraction or a multiple of what it would have been if it had not been modified, then the Calculation Agent will adjust the Reference Asset in order to arrive at a level of the Reference Asset as if it had not been modified. Under certain circumstances, the determinations of the Calculation Agent will be confirmed by one or more independent calculation experts. See **Appointment of Independent Calculation Experts**.

#### **Discontinuance of a Reference Asset**

If a Sponsor discontinues publication of a Reference Asset, and such Sponsor or another entity publishes a successor or substitute equity index that the Calculation Agent determines, in its sole discretion, to be comparable to the Reference Asset (a **successor equity index**), then, upon the Calculation Agent's notification of that determination to the trustee and Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce, the Calculation Agent will substitute the successor equity index as calculated by the relevant Sponsor or any other entity to calculate the Closing Level on any future

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Valuation Date. Upon any selection by the Calculation Agent of a successor equity index, Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce will cause notice to be given to holders of the Notes.

In the event that a Sponsor discontinues publication of a Reference Asset prior to, and the discontinuance is continuing on, any Valuation Date and the Calculation Agent determines that no successor equity index is available at such time, the Calculation Agent will calculate a substitute closing level for the affected Reference Asset in accordance with the formula for and method of calculating the Reference Asset last in effect prior to the discontinuance, but using only those securities that comprised the Reference Asset immediately prior to that discontinuance. If a successor equity index is selected or the Calculation Agent calculates a level as a substitute for the Reference Asset, the successor equity index or level will be used as a substitute for the Reference Asset for all purposes, including the purpose of determining whether a market disruption event exists.

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If on any Valuation Date a Sponsor fails to calculate and announce the level of the Reference Asset, the Calculation Agent will calculate a substitute Closing Level of the Reference Asset in accordance with the formula for and method of calculating the Reference Asset last in effect prior to the failure, but using only those securities that comprised the Reference Asset immediately prior to that failure; *provided* that, if a market disruption event occurs or is continuing on such day, then the provisions set forth above under **Market Disruption Events** shall apply in lieu of the foregoing.

Notwithstanding these alternative arrangements, discontinuance of the publication of, or the failure by any Sponsor to calculate and announce the level of, the applicable Reference Asset may adversely affect the value of the Notes.

### **Appointment of Independent Calculation Experts**

If a calculation or valuation described above under **Market Disruption Events**, **Adjustments to a Reference Asset**, or **Discontinuance of a Reference Asset** contemplated to be made by the Calculation Agent involves the application of material discretion and is not based on information or calculation methodologies compiled or utilized by, or derived from, independent third party sources, the Bank will appoint one or more calculation experts to confirm such calculation or valuation. Such calculation experts will be independent from the Bank and active participants in the financial markets in the relevant jurisdiction in which the securities included in the affected Reference Asset are traded. Calculation experts will not assume any obligation or duty to, or any relationship of agency or trust for or with, the holders of the Notes or the Bank. Holders of the Notes will be entitled to rely on any valuation or calculations made by such calculation experts and such valuations or calculations will (except in the case of manifest error) be final and binding on the Bank, the Calculation Agent and the holders of the Notes. Calculation experts will not be responsible for good faith errors or omissions in the making of any such valuations or calculations. Calculation experts may, with the consent of the Bank, delegate any of their obligations and functions to a third party as they deem appropriate, but acting honestly and reasonably at all times. The valuations and calculations of calculation experts will be made available to the holders of the Notes upon request.

### **Events of Default and Acceleration**

If the Notes have become immediately due and payable following an Event of Default (as defined in the section **Description of Senior Debt Securities Events of Default** in the accompanying Prospectus) with respect to the Notes, the default amount payable will be equal to the Payment at Maturity, calculated as though the date of acceleration were the Maturity Date.

If the Notes have become immediately due and payable following an Event of Default