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## HVPE PROVIDES UPDATE WITH REGARDS TO SILICON VALLEY BANK

HarbourVest Global Private Equity Limited ("HVPE" or the "Company"), a FTSE 250 investment company with global exposure to private companies, managed by HarbourVest Partners, today provides an update with regards to Silicon Valley Bank ("SVB").

HVPE's Investment Manager, HarbourVest Partners ("HarbourVest"), has been actively monitoring events surrounding SVB. As a reminder, HarbourVest Partners works with a broadly diversified group of financial institutions to provide bank account services and credit facilities for its fund programs. SVB represents only 2% of the aggregate cash and cash equivalents held by HarbourVest funds.

SVB provides subscription line credit to a small number of HarbourVest funds in which HVPE is invested. Initial analysis shows that HVPE's exposure is limited, with less than 6% of the HarbourVest fund-level borrowing. As a reminder, this borrowing represents delayed capital calls and is therefore already factored into HVPE's unfunded commitments and key ratios.

The Investment Manager takes positive note of the recent statements from the FDIC that all deposits have been guaranteed, as well as the announcement of HSBC's purchase of SVB's UK subsidiary. The Investment Manager believes these actions will help stabilise market conditions and enable ongoing operations for General Partners and portfolio companies in HVPE's portfolio. At the same time, we will continue to assess potential impacts going forward, and will update the market should any more meaningful developments emerge.

The Board and Investment Manager wished to release this statement to reassure stakeholders in this fluid situation. As ever, the HVPE team is here to discuss any questions you may have, so please do not hesitate to contact Richard Hickman or Charlotte Edgar using the contact details below.

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#### **Notes to Editors:**

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#### **About HarbourVest Partners, LLC:**

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personnel or service providers based around the world, and any related health issues of such personnel or service providers. Any of the foregoing events could materially and adversely affect the Investment Manager's ability to source, manage and divest its investments and its ability to fulfil its investment objectives. Similar consequences could arise with respect to other comparable infectious diseases.

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