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Ms. Velma Smith, Branch Chief  
Securities and Exchange Commission  
Division of Corporation Finance – Filer Support Office  
100 F Street, N.W., Mail Stop 3040  
Washington, D.C. 20549

Re: SPDR Index Shares Funds  
Issuer CIK: 0001168164  
Issuer File Number: 001-31471  
Form Type: 8-A12B  
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Dear Ms. Smith:

Please be advised that NYSE Regulation, Inc. has received an application from the above-referenced issuer and has approved the following securities for listing on NYSE Arca, Inc. (the "Exchange"):

**SPDR MSCI EM 50 ETF**  
**SPDR MSCI ACWI IMI ETF**

The Exchange requests acceleration of registration of these securities under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. If there are any questions, please call me at (312) 442-7832. Your assistance is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

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