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**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

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**FORM S-1**

**REGISTRATION STATEMENT**

**UNDER**

**THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933**

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**Freedom Acquisition I Corp.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Cayman Islands**

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation  
or organization)

**6770**

(Primary Standard Industrial  
Classification Code Number)

**Not Applicable**

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

**14 Wall Street, 20<sup>th</sup> Floor  
New York, NY 10005  
Tel: (212) 618-1798**

(Address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of registrant's principal executive offices)

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**Adam Gishen  
Chief Executive Officer  
14 Wall Street, 20<sup>th</sup> Floor  
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Tel: (212) 618-1798**

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**Approximate date of commencement of proposed sale to the public:** As soon as practicable after this Registration Statement becomes effective.

If any of the securities being registered on this Form are to be offered on a delayed or continuous basis pursuant to Rule 415 under the Securities Act of 1933, check the following box:

If this Form is filed to register additional securities for an offering pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act, please check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering.  File Number 333-252940

If this Form is a post-effective amendment filed pursuant to Rule 462(c) under the Securities Act, check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering.

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If this Form is a post-effective amendment filed pursuant to Rule 462(d) under the Securities Act, check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering.

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  Smaller reporting company   
 Emerging growth company

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 7(a)(2)(B) of the Securities Act.

#### CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

Title Of Each Class Of Securities To Be Registered	Amount To Be Registered	Proposed Maximum Offering Price Per Security <sup>(1)</sup>	Proposed Maximum Aggregate Offering Price <sup>(1)</sup>	Amount Of Registration Fee
Units, each consisting of one Class A ordinary share, \$0.0001 par value, and one-fourth of one redeemable warrant <sup>(2)</sup>	5,750,000 Units	\$ 10.00	\$ 57,500,000	\$ 6,273.25
Class A ordinary shares included as part of the units <sup>(3)</sup>	5,750,000 Shares	—	—	— <sup>(4)</sup>
Redeemable warrants included as part of the units <sup>(3)</sup>	1,437,500 Warrants	—	—	— <sup>(4)</sup>
Total			\$ 57,500,000	\$ 6,273.25 <sup>(5)</sup>

(1) Estimated solely for the purpose of calculating the registration fee.

(2) Represents 5,750,000 units, consisting of 5,750,000 Class A ordinary shares and 1,437,500 redeemable warrants (including 750,000 units, consisting of 750,000 Class A ordinary shares and 187,500 redeemable warrants, which may be issued upon exercise of a 45-day option granted to the underwriters to cover over-allotments, if any).

(3) Pursuant to Rule 416, there are also being registered an indeterminable number of additional securities as may be issued to prevent dilution resulting from share sub-divisions, share dividends or similar transactions.

(4) No fee pursuant to Rule 457(g).

(5) The Registrant previously registered securities having a proposed maximum aggregate offering price of \$287,500,000 on its Registration Statement on Form S-1, as amended (File No. 333-252940), which was declared effective by the Securities and Exchange Commission on February 25, 2021. In accordance with Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act, an additional number of securities having a proposed maximum offering price of \$57,500,000 is hereby registered, which includes securities issuable upon the exercise of the underwriters’ over-allotment option.

**This Registration Statement shall become effective upon filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission in accordance with Rule 462(b) promulgated under the Securities Act.**

**EXPLANATORY NOTE AND INCORPORATION  
INFORMATION BY REFERENCE**

This Registration Statement on Form S-1 is being filed with respect to the registration of 5,750,000 additional units of Freedom Acquisition I Corp., a Cayman Islands exempted company (the "Registrant"), each consisting of one Class A ordinary share and one-fourth of one redeemable warrant, pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and General Instruction V of Form S-1, including 750,000 units that may be purchased by the underwriters to cover over-allotments, if any. Each whole warrant entitles the holder thereof to purchase one Class A ordinary share at a price of \$11.50 per share, subject to certain adjustments, and only whole warrants are exercisable. Pursuant to Rule 462(b), the Registrant hereby incorporates by reference into this Registration Statement on Form S-1 in its entirety the Registration Statement on Form S-1, as amended (File No. 333-252940), declared effective on February 25, 2021 by the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission"), including each of the documents filed by the Company with the Commission and incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference therein and all exhibits thereto.

**CERTIFICATION**

The Registrant hereby certifies to the Commission that (1) it has instructed its bank to pay the filing fee set forth on the cover page of this Registration Statement by a wire transfer of such amount to the Commission's account at U.S. Bank as soon as practicable (but no later than the close of business as of February 26, 2021), (2) it will not revoke such instructions, (3) it has sufficient funds in the relevant account to cover the amount of such filing fee and (4) it will confirm receipt of such instructions by its bank during regular business hours no later than February 26, 2021.

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PART II

INFORMATION NOT REQUIRED IN THE PROSPECTUS

**Item 16. Exhibits and Financial Statement Schedules.**

(a) *Exhibits.* All exhibits filed with or incorporated by reference in Registration Statement No. 333-252940 are incorporated by reference herein, and shall be deemed to be a part of this Registration Statement, except for those set forth in the exhibit index attached hereto, which are filed herewith.

**Exhibit Number**

**Description**

<a href="#"><u>5.1</u></a>	<a href="#"><u>Opinion of Davis Polk &amp; Wardwell LLP</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>5.2</u></a>	<a href="#"><u>Opinion of Maples and Calder, Cayman Islands counsel to the Registrant</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>23.1</u></a>	<a href="#"><u>Consent of Marcum LLP</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>23.2</u></a>	<a href="#"><u>Consent of Davis Polk &amp; Wardwell LLP (included in Exhibit 5.1)</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>23.3</u></a>	<a href="#"><u>Consent of Maples and Calder (included in Exhibit 5.2)</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>24.1</u></a>	<a href="#"><u>Power of Attorney (included on signature page of the initial filing of Registration Statement on Form S-1, File No. 333-252940, initially filed on February 10, 2021)</u></a>

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**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, the registrant has duly caused this Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of New York, New York, on the 25th day of February, 2021.

**FREEDOM ACQUISITION I CORP.**

By: /s/ Adam Gishen  
Name: Adam Gishen  
Title: Chief Executive Officer

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, this Registration Statement has been signed below by the following persons in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

<u>Signature</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date</u>
<u>*</u>	Tidjane Thiam	February 25, 2021
<u>/s/ Adam Gishen</u>	Executive Chairman Adam Gishen Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer and Principal Financial and Principal Accounting Officer)	February 25, 2021

\*By: /s/ Adam Gishen  
Adam Gishen  
Attorney-in-fact

**AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE**

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 6(a) of the Securities Act of 1933, the undersigned has signed this registration statement, solely in its capacity as the duly authorized representative of Freedom Acquisition I Corp., in the City of New York, New York, on the 25th day of February, 2021.

By: /s/ Adam Gishen  
Name: Adam Gishen  
Title: Chief Executive Officer

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February 25, 2021

Freedom Acquisition I Corp.  
14 Wall Street, 20<sup>th</sup> Floor  
New York, New York 10005

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have acted as special counsel to Freedom Acquisition I Corp., a Cayman Islands exempted company (the “**Company**”), in connection with the Company’s Registration Statement on Form S-1 (the “**Abbreviated Registration Statement**”) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the “**Securities Act**”), for the purpose of registering 5,750,000 additional units of the Company (the “**Units**”), including 750,000 Units subject to the Underwriters’ (as defined below) over-allotment option, as described in the Registration Statement on Form S-1 (File No. 333-252940) of the Company that was declared effective earlier today (the “**Initial Registration Statement**”). Each Unit consists of:

- (i) one of the Company’s Class A ordinary shares, par value \$0.0001 per share (the “**Shares**”) for an aggregate of up to 5,750,000 (including up to 750,000 Shares included in the Units subject to the Underwriters’ over-allotment option); and
- (ii) one-fourth of one warrant (collectively, the “**Warrants**”), with each Warrant entitling the holder to purchase one Share, for an aggregate of up to 1,437,500 Warrants (including up to 187,500 Warrants included in the Units subject to the Underwriters’ over-allotment option) to be issued under a warrant agreement (the “**Warrant Agreement**”) to be entered into by the Company and Continental Stock Transfer & Trust Company, as Warrant Agent (the “**Warrant Agent**”),

offered pursuant to the terms of an underwriting agreement (the “**Underwriting Agreement**”) to be executed by the Company and J.P. Morgan Securities LLC, as representative of the underwriters named therein (the “**Underwriters**”).

We, as your counsel, have examined originals or copies of such documents, corporate records, certificates of public officials and other instruments as we have deemed necessary or advisable for the purpose of rendering this opinion.

In rendering the opinions expressed herein, we have, without independent inquiry or investigation, assumed that (i) all documents submitted to us as originals are authentic and

complete, (ii) all documents submitted to us as copies conform to authentic, complete originals, (iii) all documents filed as exhibits to the Registration Statement that have not been executed will conform to the forms thereof, (iv) all signatures on all documents that we reviewed are genuine, (v) all natural persons executing documents had and have the legal capacity to do so, (vi) all statements in certificates of public officials and officers of the Company that we reviewed were and are accurate and (vii) all representations made by the Company as to matters of fact in the documents that we reviewed were and are accurate.

Based upon the foregoing, and subject to the additional assumptions and qualifications set forth below, we advise you that, in our opinion:

1. Each Unit, when such Unit has been delivered to and paid for by the Underwriters in accordance with the terms of the Underwriting Agreement, will be a valid and binding agreement of the Company, enforceable in accordance with its terms, subject to applicable bankruptcy, insolvency and similar laws affecting creditors' rights generally, concepts of reasonableness and equitable principles of general applicability.
2. Each Warrant included in the Units, when such Unit has been delivered to and paid for by the Underwriters in accordance with the terms of the Underwriting Agreement, will be a valid and binding agreement of the Company, enforceable in accordance with its terms, subject to applicable bankruptcy, insolvency and similar laws affecting creditors' rights generally, concepts of reasonableness and equitable principles of general applicability.

In connection with the opinions expressed above, we have assumed that at or prior to the time of the delivery of any Units, (i) the Board of Directors of the Company shall have duly established the terms of the Units and the Shares and the Warrants included therein and duly authorized the issuance and sale of the Units and such authorization shall not have been modified or rescinded; (ii) the Company is, and shall remain, validly existing as a corporation under the laws of the Cayman Islands; (iii) the Registration Statement shall have been declared effective and such effectiveness shall not have been terminated or rescinded; (iv) the Warrant Agreement to be entered into in connection with the Warrants has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Warrant Agent and the Company, and is a valid, binding and enforceable agreement of each party thereto; and (v) there shall not have occurred any change in law affecting the validity or enforceability of the Units or the Warrants included therein. We have also assumed that the (i) terms of any security whose terms are established subsequent to the date hereof and the issuance, execution, delivery and performance by the Company of any such security (a) require no action by or in respect of, or filing with, any governmental body, agency or official and (b) do not contravene, or constitute a default under, any provision of applicable law or public policy or regulation or any judgment, injunction, order or decree or any agreement or other instrument binding upon the Company and (ii) the Warrant Agreement will be governed by the laws of the State of New York.

We are members of the Bar of the State of New York and the foregoing opinion is limited to the laws of the State of New York.

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We hereby consent to the filing of this opinion as an exhibit to the Registration Statement and further consent to the reference to our name under the caption "Legal Matters" in the Prospectus. In giving this consent, we do not admit that we are in the category of persons whose consent is required under Section 7 of the Securities Act.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Davis Polk & Wardwell LLP

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Our ref SMC/782056-000001/65634295v1

Freedom Acquisition I Corp.  
PO Box 309, Ugland House  
Grand Cayman, KY1-1104  
Cayman Islands

25 February 2021

### **Freedom Acquisition I Corp.**

We have acted as counsel as to Cayman Islands law to Freedom Acquisition I Corp. (the "**Company**") in connection with the Company's registration statement on Form S-1, including all amendments or supplements thereto, filed with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (the "**Commission**") under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "**Act**") (including its exhibits, the "**Registration Statement**") for the purposes of, registering with the Commission under the Act, the offering and sale to the public of an additional:

- (a) up to 5,750,000 units (including 750,000 units, which the several underwriters, for whom J.P. Morgan Securities LLC is acting as representative ("**Representative**"), will have a 45-day option to purchase from the Company to cover over-allotments, if any) ("**Units**") at an offering price of US\$10 per Unit, each Unit consisting of:
  - (i) one Class A ordinary share of a par value of US\$0.0001 of the Company ("**Ordinary Shares**"); and
  - (ii) one-fourth of one redeemable warrant, each whole warrant exercisable to purchase one Ordinary Share at a price of US\$11.50 per Ordinary Share ("**Warrants**"); and
- (b) all Ordinary Shares and Warrants issued as part of the Units.

This opinion letter is given in accordance with the terms of the Legal Matters section of the Registration Statement.

## **1 Documents Reviewed**

We have reviewed originals, copies, drafts or conformed copies of the following documents:

- 1.1 The certificate of incorporation dated 23 December 2020, and the memorandum and articles of association of the Company as registered or adopted on 23 February 2021 (the "**Memorandum and Articles**").

### **Maples and Calder**

PO Box 309 Ugland House Grand Cayman KY1-1104 Cayman Islands  
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- 1.2 The written resolutions of the board of directors of the Company dated 30 December 2020, 6 February 2021, 18 February 2021 and 23 February 2021 (together, the "**Resolutions**"), the written resolution of the pricing committee of the board of directors of the Company dated 25 February 2021 (the "**Committee Resolutions**") and the corporate records of the Company maintained at its registered office in the Cayman Islands.
- 1.3 A certificate of good standing with respect to the Company issued by the Registrar of Companies (the "**Certificate of Good Standing**").
- 1.4 A certificate from a director of the Company a copy of which is attached to this opinion letter (the "**Director's Certificate**").
- 1.5 The Registration Statement.
- 1.6 A draft of the form of the unit certificate representing the Units (the "**Unit Certificate**").
- 1.7 A draft of the form of the warrant agreement and the warrant certificate constituting the Warrants (the "**Warrant Documents**").
- 1.8 A draft of the underwriting agreement between the Company and the Representative (the "**Underwriting Agreement**").

The documents listed in paragraphs 1.6 to 1.8 inclusive above shall be referred to collectively herein as the "**Documents**".

## **2 Assumptions**

The following opinions are given only as to, and based on, circumstances and matters of fact existing and known to us on the date of this opinion letter. These opinions only relate to the laws of the Cayman Islands which are in force on the date of this opinion letter. In giving the following opinions, we have relied (without further verification) upon the completeness and accuracy, as at the date of this opinion letter, of the Director's Certificate and the Certificate of Good Standing. We have also relied upon the following assumptions, which we have not independently verified:

- 2.1 The Documents have been or will be authorised and duly executed and unconditionally delivered by or on behalf of all relevant parties in accordance with all relevant laws (other than, with respect to the Company, the laws of the Cayman Islands).
- 2.2 The Documents are, or will be, legal, valid, binding and enforceable against all relevant parties in accordance with their terms under the laws of the State of New York (the "**Relevant Law**") and all other relevant laws (other than, with respect to the Company, the laws of the Cayman Islands).
- 2.3 The choice of the Relevant Law as the governing law of the Documents has been made in good faith and would be regarded as a valid and binding selection which will be upheld by the courts of the State of New York and any other relevant jurisdiction (other than the Cayman Islands) as a matter of the Relevant Law and all other relevant laws (other than the laws of the Cayman Islands).
- 2.4 Copies of documents, conformed copies or drafts of documents provided to us are true and complete copies of, or in the final forms of, the originals.
- 2.5 All signatures, initials and seals are genuine.

- 2.6 The capacity, power, authority and legal right of all parties under all relevant laws and regulations (other than, with respect to the Company, the laws and regulations of the Cayman Islands) to enter into, execute, unconditionally deliver and perform their respective obligations under the Documents.
- 2.7 No invitation has been or will be made by or on behalf of the Company to the public in the Cayman Islands to subscribe for any of the Units, the Warrants or the Ordinary Shares.
- 2.8 There is no contractual or other prohibition or restriction (other than as arising under Cayman Islands law) binding on the Company prohibiting or restricting it from entering into and performing its obligations under the Documents.
- 2.9 No monies paid to or for the account of any party under the Documents or any property received or disposed of by any party to the Documents in each case in connection with the Documents or the consummation of the transactions contemplated thereby represent or will represent proceeds of criminal conduct or criminal property or terrorist property (as defined in the Proceeds of Crime Act (As Amended) and the Terrorism Act (As Amended), respectively).
- 2.10 There is nothing under any law (other than the laws of the Cayman Islands) which would or might affect the opinions set out below. Specifically, we have made no independent investigation of the Relevant Law.
- 2.11 The Company will receive money or money's worth in consideration for the issue of the Ordinary Shares and none of the Ordinary Shares were or will be issued for less than par value.

Save as aforesaid we have not been instructed to undertake and have not undertaken any further enquiry or due diligence in relation to the transaction the subject of this opinion letter.

### **3 Opinions**

Based upon, and subject to, the foregoing assumptions and the qualifications set out below, and having regard to such legal considerations as we deem relevant, we are of the opinion that:

- 3.1 The Company has been duly incorporated as an exempted company with limited liability and is validly existing and in good standing with the Registrar of Companies under the laws of the Cayman Islands.
- 3.2 The Ordinary Shares to be offered and issued by the Company as contemplated by the Registration Statement (including the issuance of Ordinary Shares upon the exercise of the Warrants in accordance with the Warrant Documents) have been duly authorised for issue, and when issued by the Company against payment in full of the consideration as set out in the Registration Statement and in accordance with the terms set out in the Registration Statement (including the issuance of Ordinary Shares upon the exercise of the Warrants in accordance with the Warrant Documents), such Ordinary Shares will be validly issued, fully paid and non-assessable. As a matter of Cayman Islands law, a share is only issued when it has been entered in the register of members (shareholders).
- 3.3 The execution, delivery and performance of the Unit Certificate and the Warrant Documents have been authorised by and on behalf of the Company and, once the Unit Certificate and the Warrant Documents have been executed and delivered by any director or officer of the Company, the Unit Certificate and the Warrant Documents will be duly executed and delivered on behalf of the Company and will constitute the legal, valid and binding obligations of the Company enforceable in accordance with their terms.

## 4 Qualifications

The opinions expressed above are subject to the following qualifications:

- 4.1 The term "**enforceable**" as used above means that the obligations assumed by the Company under the Documents are of a type which the courts of the Cayman Islands will enforce. It does not mean that those obligations will necessarily be enforced in all circumstances in accordance with their terms. In particular:
- (a) enforcement may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, liquidation, reorganisation, readjustment of debts or moratorium or other laws of general application relating to or affecting the rights of creditors;
  - (b) enforcement may be limited by general principles of equity. For example, equitable remedies such as specific performance may not be available, *inter alia*, where damages are considered to be an adequate remedy;
  - (c) where obligations are to be performed in a jurisdiction outside the Cayman Islands, they may not be enforceable in the Cayman Islands to the extent that performance would be illegal under the laws of that jurisdiction; and
  - (d) some claims may become barred under relevant statutes of limitation or may be or become subject to defences of set off, counterclaim, estoppel and similar defences.
- 4.2 To maintain the Company in good standing with the Registrar of Companies under the laws of the Cayman Islands, annual filing fees must be paid and returns made to the Registrar of Companies within the time frame prescribed by law.
- 4.3 Under Cayman Islands law, the register of members (shareholders) is *prima facie* evidence of title to shares and this register would not record a third party interest in such shares. However, there are certain limited circumstances where an application may be made to a Cayman Islands court for a determination on whether the register of members reflects the correct legal position. Further, the Cayman Islands court has the power to order that the register of members maintained by a company should be rectified where it considers that the register of members does not reflect the correct legal position. As far as we are aware, such applications are rarely made in the Cayman Islands and for the purposes of the opinion given in paragraph 3.2, there are no circumstances or matters of fact known to us on the date of this opinion letter which would properly form the basis for an application for an order for rectification of the register of members of the Company, but if such an application were made in respect of the Ordinary Shares, then the validity of such shares may be subject to re-examination by a Cayman Islands court.
- 4.4 Except as specifically stated herein, we make no comment with respect to any representations and warranties which may be made by or with respect to the Company in any of the documents or instruments cited in this opinion letter or otherwise with respect to the commercial terms of the transactions the subject of this opinion letter.
- 4.5 In this opinion letter, the phrase "non-assessable" means, with respect to shares in the Company, that a shareholder shall not, solely by virtue of its status as a shareholder, be liable for additional assessments or calls on the shares by the Company or its creditors (except in exceptional circumstances, such as involving fraud, the establishment of an agency relationship or an illegal or improper purpose or other circumstances in which a court may be prepared to pierce or lift the corporate veil).

We hereby consent to the filing of this opinion letter as an exhibit to the Registration Statement and to the references to our firm under the headings "Legal Matters", "Risk Factors", "Shareholders' Suits" and "Enforcement of Civil Liabilities" in the prospectus included in the Registration Statement. In providing our consent, we do not thereby admit that we are in the category of persons whose consent is required under Section 7 of the Act or the Rules and Regulations of the Commission thereunder.

This opinion letter is addressed to you and may be relied upon by you, your counsel and purchasers of Units pursuant to the Registration Statement. This opinion letter is limited to the matters detailed herein and is not to be read as an opinion with respect to any other matter.

Yours faithfully

/s/ Maples and Calder

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Cayman Islands

25 February 2021

To: Maples and Calder  
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Cayman Islands

**Freedom Acquisition I Corp. (the "Company")**

I, the undersigned, being a director of the Company, am aware that you are being asked to provide an opinion letter (the "**Opinion**") in relation to certain aspects of Cayman Islands law. Unless otherwise defined herein, capitalised terms used in this certificate have the respective meanings given to them in the Opinion. I hereby certify that:

- 1 The Memorandum and Articles remain in full force and effect and are unamended.
- 2 The Company has not entered into any mortgages or charges over its property or assets other than those entered in the register of mortgages and charges of the Company.
- 3 Each of the Resolutions were duly passed in the manner prescribed in the Memorandum and Articles (including, without limitation, with respect to the disclosure of interests (if any) by the director of the Company) and have not been amended, varied or revoked in any respect.
- 4 The authorised share capital of the Company is US\$22,100 divided into 200,000,000 Class A ordinary shares of a par value of US\$0.0001 each, 20,000,000 Class B ordinary shares of a par value of US\$0.0001 each and 1,000,000 preference shares of a par value of US\$0.0001 each. The issued share capital of the Company is, 8,625,000 Class B ordinary shares, which have been duly authorised and are validly issued as fully-paid and non-assessable.
- 5 The sole shareholder of the Company (the "**Shareholder**") has not restricted the powers of the directors of the Company in any way.
- 6 The sole director of the Company at the date of each of the Resolutions was and is as follows: Tidjane Thiam.
- 7 The members of the pricing committee of the board of directors of the Company at the date of the Committee Resolutions were: Tidjane Thiam and Adam Gishen.
- 8 The minute book and corporate records of the Company as maintained at its registered office in the Cayman Islands and made available to you are complete and accurate in all material respects, and all minutes and resolutions filed therein represent a complete and accurate record of all meetings of the Shareholder and director (or any committee thereof) of the Company (duly convened in accordance with the Memorandum and Articles) and all resolutions passed at the meetings or passed by written resolution or consent, as the case may be.

- 9 Prior to, at the time of, and immediately following the approval of the transactions contemplated by the Registration Statement, the Company was, or will be, able to pay its debts as they fell, or fall, due and has entered, or will enter, into the transactions contemplated by the Registration Statement for proper value and not with an intention to defraud or wilfully defeat an obligation owed to any creditor or with a view to giving a creditor a preference.
- 10 The director of the Company considers the transactions contemplated by the Registration Statement to be of commercial benefit to the Company and has acted in good faith in the best interests of the Company, and for a proper purpose of the Company, in relation to the transactions which are the subject of the Opinion.
- 11 To the best of my knowledge and belief, having made due inquiry, the Company is not the subject of legal, arbitral, administrative or other proceedings in any jurisdiction. Nor have the director or Shareholder taken any steps to have the Company struck off or placed in liquidation, nor have any steps been taken to wind up the Company. Nor has any receiver been appointed over any of the Company's property or assets.
- 12 To the best of my knowledge and belief, having made due inquiry, there are no circumstances or matters of fact existing which may properly form the basis for an application for an order for rectification of the register of members of the Company.
- 13 The Registration Statement has been, or will be, authorised and duly executed and delivered by or on behalf of all relevant parties in accordance with all relevant laws.
- 14 No invitation has been made or will be made by or on behalf of the Company to the public in the Cayman Islands to subscribe for any of the Ordinary Shares.
- 15 The Ordinary Shares to be issued pursuant to the Registration Statement have been, or will be, duly registered, and will continue to be registered, in the Company's register of members (shareholders).
- 16 The Company is not a central bank, monetary authority or other sovereign entity of any state and is not a subsidiary, direct or indirect, of any sovereign entity or state.
- 17 There is no contractual or other prohibition or restriction (other than as arising under Cayman Islands law) binding on the Company prohibiting or restricting it from entering into and performing its obligations under the Documents.

(Signature Page follows)

I confirm that you may continue to rely on this certificate as being true and correct on the day that you issue the Opinion unless I shall have previously notified you in writing personally to the contrary.

Signature: /s/ Tidjane Thiam  
Name: Tidjane Thiam  
Title: Director

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INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM'S CONSENT

We consent to the incorporation by reference in this Registration Statement of Freedom Acquisition I Corp. (the "Company") on Form S-1 pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, of our report dated January 8, 2021, which includes an explanatory paragraph as to the Company's ability to continue as a going concern, with respect to our audit of the financial statements of Freedom Acquisition I Corp. as of December 31, 2020 and for the period from December 23, 2020 (inception) through December 31, 2020, appearing in the Registration Statement on Form S-1, as filed (File No. 333-252940), of the Company.

/s/ Marcum LLP

Marcum LLP  
New York, NY  
February 25, 2021

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