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3,135,171 Units \$10 principal amount per unit CUSIP No. 13606M243 Pricing Date Settlement Date Maturity Date December 20, 2018 December 28, 2018 December 24, 2020

Leveraged Index Return Notes®Linked to an International Equity Index Basket

- Maturity of approximately two years
- 160.15% upside exposure to increases in the Basket
- The Basket is comprised of the EURO STOXX 50® Index, the FTSE® 100 Index, the Nikkei Stock Average Index, the Swiss Market Index, the S&P®/ASX 200 Index, and the Hang Seng® Index. The EURO STOXX 50® Index was given an initial weight of 40%, each of the FTSE® 100 Index and the Nikkei Stock Average Index was given an initial weight of 20%, each of the Swiss Market Index and the S&P®/ASX 200 Index was given an initial weight of 7.5%, and the Hang Seng® Index was given an initial weight of 5%
- 1-to-1 downside exposure to decreases in the Basket beyond a 10.00% decline, with up to 90.00% of your principal at risk
- All payments occur at maturity and are subject to the credit risk of Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce
- No periodic interest payments
- In addition to the underwriting discount set forth below, the notes include a hedging-related charge of \$0.075 per unit. See Structuring
 the Notes
- Limited secondary market liquidity, with no exchange listing
- The notes are unsecured debt securities and are not savings accounts or insured deposits of a bank. The notes are not insured or
 guaranteed by the Canada Deposit Insurance Corporation, the U.S. Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other governmental agency of
 the United States, Canada, or any other jurisdiction

The notes are being issued by Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce (CIBC). There are important differences between the notes and a conventional debt security, including different investment risks and certain additional costs. See Risk Factors beginning on page TS-6 of this term sheet and beginning on page PS-6 of product supplement EQUITY INDICES LIRN-1.

The initial estimated value of the notes as of the pricing date is \$9.562 per unit, which is less than the public offering price listed below.

See Summary on the following page, Risk Factors beginning on page TS-6 of this term sheet and Structuring the Notes on page TS-27 of this term sheet for additional information. The actual value of your notes at any time will reflect many factors and cannot be predicted with accuracy.

None of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC), any state securities commission, or any other regulatory body has approved or disapproved of these securities or determined if this Note Prospectus (as defined below) is truthful or complete. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

	Per Unit	<u>Total</u>
Public offering price	\$ 10.00	\$31,351,710.00
Underwriting discount	\$ 0.20	\$ 627,034.20
Proceeds, before expenses,	\$ 9.80	\$30,724,675.80
to CIBC		

Are Not FDIC Insured

May Lose Value

December 20, 2018

Merrill Lynch & Co.

The notes:

Are Not Bank Guaranteed

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Summary

The Leveraged Index Return Notes® Linked to an International Equity Index Basket, due December 24, 2020 (the notes) are our senior unsecured debt securities. The notes are not guaranteed or insured by the Canada Deposit Insurance Corporation, the U.S. Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other governmental agency in the United States, Canada or any other jurisdiction or secured by collateral. The notes are not bail-inable notes (as defined on page S-2 of the prospectus supplement). The notes will rank equally with all of our other unsecured and unsubordinated debt. Any payments due on the notes, including any repayment of principal, will be subject to the credit risk of CIBC. The notes provide you a leveraged return if the Ending Value of the Market Measure, which is the international equity index basket described below (the Basket), is greater than the Starting Value. If the Ending Value is equal to or less than the Starting Value but greater than or equal to the Threshold Value, you will receive the principal amount of your notes. If the Ending Value is less than the Threshold Value, you will lose a portion, which could be significant, of the principal amount of your notes. Any payments on the notes will be calculated based on the \$10 principal amount per unit and will depend on the performance of the Basket, subject to our credit risk. See Terms of the Notes below.

The Basket is comprised of the EURO STOXX 50® Index, the FTSE® 100 Index, the Nikkei Stock Average Index, the Swiss Market Index, the S&P®/ASX 200 Index, and the Hang Seng® Index (each, a Basket Component). On the pricing date, the EURO STOXX 50® was given an initial weight of 40%, each of the FTSE® 100 Index and the Nikkei Stock Average Index was given an initial weight of 20%, each of the Swiss Market Index and the S&P®/ASX 200 Index was given an initial weight of 7.5%, and the Hang Seng® Index was given an initial weight of 5%.

The economic terms of the notes (including the Participation Rate) are based on our internal funding rate, which is the rate we would pay to borrow funds through the issuance of market-linked notes, and the economic terms of certain related hedging arrangements. Our internal funding rate is typically lower than the rate we would pay when we issue conventional fixed rate debt securities. This difference in funding rate, as well as the underwriting discount and the hedging-related charge described below, reduced the economic terms of the notes to you and the initial estimated value of the notes on the pricing date. Due to these factors, the public offering price you pay to purchase the notes is greater than the initial estimated value of the notes.

On the cover page of this term sheet, we have provided the initial estimated value for the notes. This initial estimated value was determined based on our pricing models, and was based on our internal funding rate on the pricing date, market conditions and other relevant factors existing at that time, and our assumptions about market parameters. For more information about the initial estimated value and the structuring of the notes, see Structuring the Notes on page TS-27.

Terms of the Notes

Redemption Amount Determination

Issuer: Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce On the maturity date, you will receive a cash payment per unit determined as

(CIBC) follows:

Principal Amount:

\$10.00 per unit

Term:

Approximately two years

Market Measure: An international equity index basket

comprised of the EURO STOXX 50® Index (Bloomberg symbol: SX5E), the

FTSE® 100 Index (Bloomberg symbol: UKX), the Nikkei Stock Average Index (Bloomberg symbol: NKY), the Swiss Market Index (Bloomberg symbol: SMI), the

S&P®/ASX 200 Index (Bloomberg symbol: AS51) and the Hang Seng® Index (Bloomberg symbol: HSI). Each Basket Component is a

price return index.

Starting Value: 100.00

Ending Value: The average value of the Market

Measure on each calculation day during the Maturity Valuation Period, calculated as specified in The Basket on page TS-8 and Description of LIRNs Basket Market Measures beginning on page PS-20 of product supplement EQUITY INDICES LIRN-1. The calculation days are subject to postponement in the event of Market Disruption Events, as described on page PS-22 of product supplement EQUITY INDICES

LIRN-1.

Threshold Value: 90.00 (90% of the Starting Value).

Participation Rate: 160.15%

Maturity Valuation Period: December 15, 2020, December 16,

2020, December 17, 2020, December 18, 2020 and December 21, 2020

Fees and Charges: The underwriting discount of \$0.20 per

unit listed on the cover page and the hedging-related charge of \$0.075 per unit described in Structuring the Notes

on page TS-27.

Calculation Agent: Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith

Incorporated (MLPF&S).

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The terms and risks of the notes are contained in this term sheet and in the following:

Product supplement EQUITY INDICES LIRN-1 dated March 30, 2017:

https://www.sec.gov/Archives/edgar/data/1045520/000110465917020278/a17-7416 10424b5.htm

Prospectus dated March 28, 2017 and prospectus supplement dated November 6, 2018:

https://www.sec.gov/Archives/edgar/data/1045520/000110465918066166/a18-37094 1424b2.htm

These documents (together, the Note Prospectus) have been filed as part of a registration statement with the SEC, which may, without cost, be accessed on the SEC website as indicated above or obtained from MLPF&S by calling 1-800-294-1322. Before you invest, you should read the Note Prospectus, including this term sheet, for information about us and this offering. Any prior or contemporaneous oral statements and any other written materials you may have received are superseded by the Note Prospectus. When you read the accompanying product supplement, please note that all references in such supplement to the prospectus supplement dated March 28, 2017, or to any sections therein, should refer instead to the accompanying prospectus supplement dated November 6, 2018 or to the corresponding sections of such prospectus supplement, as applicable, unless otherwise specified or the context otherwise requires. Capitalized terms used but not defined in this term sheet have the meanings set forth in product supplement EQUITY INDICES LIRN-1. Unless otherwise indicated or unless the context requires otherwise, all references in this document to we, us, our, or similar references are to CIBC.

Investor Considerations

You may wish to consider an investment in the notes if:

- You anticipate that the value of the Basket will increase from the Starting Value to the Ending Value.
- You are willing to risk a loss of principal and return if the value of the Basket decreases from the Starting Value to an Ending Value that is below the Threshold Value.
- You are willing to forgo the interest payments that are paid on conventional interest bearing debt securities.
- You are willing to forgo dividends or other benefits of owning the stocks included in the Basket Components.
- You are willing to accept a limited or no market for sales prior to maturity, and understand that the market prices for the notes, if any, will be affected by various factors, including our actual and perceived creditworthiness, our internal funding rate and fees and charges on the notes.

The notes may not be an appropriate investment for you if:

- You believe that the value of the Basket will decrease from the Starting Value to the Ending Value or that it will not increase sufficiently over the term of the notes to provide you with your desired return.
- You seek 100% principal repayment or preservation of capital.
- You seek interest payments or other current income on your investment.
- You want to receive dividends or other distributions paid on the stocks included in the Basket Components.
- You seek an investment for which there will be a liquid secondary market.

•	You are willing to assume our credit risk, as issuer of the
notes,	for all payments under the notes, including the Redemption
Amou	nt.

• You are unwilling or are unable to take market risk on the notes or to take our credit risk as issuer of the notes.

We urge you to consult your investment, legal, tax, accounting, and other advisors before you invest in the notes.

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Hypothetical Payout Profile and Examples of Payments at Maturity

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This graph reflects the returns on the notes, based on the Participation Rate of 160.15% and the Threshold Value of 90% of the Starting Value. The green line reflects the returns on the notes, while the dotted gray line reflects the returns of a direct investment in the stocks included in the Basket Components, excluding dividends.

This graph has been prepared for purposes of illustration only.

The following table and examples are for purposes of illustration only. They are based on **hypothetical** values and show **hypothetical** returns on the notes. They illustrate the calculation of the Redemption Amount and total rate of return based on the Starting Value of 100, the Threshold Value of 90, the Participation Rate of 160.15% and a range of hypothetical Ending Values. **The actual amount you receive and the resulting total rate of return will depend on the actual Ending Value and whether you hold the notes to maturity.** The following examples do not take into account any tax consequences from investing in the notes.

For **hypothetical** historical values of the Basket, see The Basket section below recent actual levels of the Basket Components, see The Basket Components section belowEach Basket Component is a price return index and as such the Ending Value will not include any income generated by dividends paid on the stocks included in any of the Basket Components, which you would otherwise be entitled to receive if you invested in those stocks directly. In addition, all payments on the notes are subject to issuer credit risk.

Ending Value	Percentage Change from the Starting Value to the Ending Value	Redemption Amount per Unit	Total Rate of Return on the Notes
0.00	-100.00%	\$1.00000	-90.0000%
50.00	-50.00%	\$6.00000	-40.0000%
80.00	-20.00%	\$9.00000	-10.0000%
90.00(1)	-10.00%	\$10.00000	0.0000%
94.00	-6.00%	\$10.00000	0.0000%
97.00	-3.00%	\$10.00000	0.0000%
100.00(2)	0.00%	\$10.00000	0.0000%

102.00	2.00%	\$10.32030	3.2030%
105.00	5.00%	\$10.80075	8.0075%
110.00	10.00%	\$11.60150	16.0150%
120.00	20.00%	\$13.20300	32.0300%
130.00	30.00%	\$14.80450	48.0450%
140.00	40.00%	\$16.40600	64.0600%
150.00	50.00%	\$18.00750	80.0750%
160.00	60.00%	\$19.60900	96.0900%

- (1) This is the Threshold Value.
- (2) The Starting Value was set to 100.00 on the pricing date.

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Redemption Amount Calculation Examples

Example 1

The Ending Value is 80.00, or 80.00% of the Starting Value:

Starting Value: 100.00 Threshold Value: 90.00 Ending Value: 80.00

Redemption Amount per unit

Example 2

The Ending Value is 95.00, or 95.00% of the Starting Value:

Starting Value: 100.00
Threshold Value: 90.00
Ending Value: 95.00

Redemption Amount (per unit) = \$10.00, the principal amount, since the Ending Value is less than the Starting Value but equal to or greater than

the Threshold Value.

Example 3

The Ending Value is 150.00, or 150.00% of the Starting Value:

Starting Value: 100.00 Ending Value: 150.00

= \$18.0075 Redemption Amount per unit

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Risk Factors

There are important differences between the notes and a conventional debt security. An investment in the notes involves significant risks, including hose listed below. You should carefully review the more detailed explanation of risks relating to the notes in the Risk Factors sections beginning on page PS-6 of product supplement EQUITY INDICES LIRN-1, page S-1 of the prospectus supplement, and page 1 of the prospectus identified above. We also urge you to consult your investment, legal, tax, accounting, and other advisors before you invest in the notes.

- § Depending on the performance of the Basket as measured shortly before the maturity date, you may lose up to 90% of the principal amount.
- § Your return on the notes may be less than the yield you could earn by owning a conventional fixed or floating rate debt security of comparable maturity.
- Your investment return may be less than a comparable investment directly in the stocks included in the Basket Components.
- Payments on the notes are subject to our credit risk, and actual or perceived changes in our creditworthiness are expected to affect the value of the notes. If we become insolvent or are unable to pay our obligations, you may lose your entire investment.
- Our initial estimated value of the notes is lower than the public offering price of the notes. The public offering price of the notes exceeds our initial estimated value because costs associated with selling and structuring the notes, as well as hedging the notes, all as further described in Structuring the Notes on page TS-27, are included in the public offering price of the notes.
- Our initial estimated value does not represent future values of the notes and may differ from others estimates. Our initial estimated value is only an estimate, which was determined by reference to our internal pricing models when the terms of the notes were set. This estimated value was based on market conditions and other relevant factors existing at that time, our internal funding rate on the pricing date and our assumptions about market parameters, which can include volatility, dividend rates, interest rates and other factors. Different pricing models and assumptions could provide valuations for the notes that are greater or less than our initial estimated value. In addition, market conditions and other relevant factors in the future may change, and any assumptions may prove to be incorrect. On future dates, the market value of the notes could change significantly based on, among other things, changes in market conditions, including the value of the Market Measure, our creditworthiness, interest rate movements and other relevant factors, which may impact the price at which MLPF&S or any other party would be willing to buy notes from you in any secondary market transactions. Our estimated value does not represent a minimum price at which MLPF&S or any other party would be willing to buy your notes in any secondary market (if any exists) at any time.
- § Our initial estimated value of the notes was not determined by reference to credit spreads for our conventional fixed-rate debt. The internal funding rate that was used in the determination of our initial estimated value of the notes generally represents a discount from the credit spreads for our conventional fixed-rate debt. The discount is based on, among other things, our view of the funding value of the notes as well as the

higher issuance, operational and ongoing liability management costs of the notes in comparison to those costs for our conventional fixed-rate debt. If we were to have used the interest rate implied by our conventional fixed-rate debt, we would expect the economic terms of the notes to be more favorable to you. Consequently, our use of an internal funding rate for market-linked notes had an adverse effect on the economic terms of the notes and the initial estimated value of the notes on the pricing date, and could have an adverse effect on any secondary market prices of the notes.

Our business, hedging and trading activities, and those of MLPF&S and our respective affiliates (including trades in shares of companies included in the Basket Components), and any hedging and trading activities we, MLPF&S or our respective affiliates engage in for our clients accounts, may affect the market value and return of the notes and may create conflicts of interest with you. § Changes in the level of one of the Basket Components may be offset by changes in the levels of the other Basket Components. Due to the different initial Component Weights, changes in the levels of some Basket Components will have a more substantial impact on the value of the Basket than similar changes in the levels of other Basket Components. § The index sponsors may adjust their respective Basket Components in a way that affects their levels, and have no obligation to conside your interests. § You will have no rights of a holder of the securities represented by the Basket Components, and you will not be entitled to receive securities or dividends or other distributions by the issuers of those securities. § While we, MLPF&S or our respective affiliates may from time to time own securities of companies included in the Basket Components, we, MLPF&S and our respective affiliates do not control any company included in any Basket Component, and have not verified any disclosure made by any other company. [Everaged Index Return Notes®]	§ the notes.	A trading market is not expected to develop for the notes. Neither we nor MLPF&S is obligated to make a market for, or to re. There is no assurance that any party will be willing to purchase your notes at any price in any secondary market.	epurchase,
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Your return on the notes may be affected by factors affecting the international securities markets, specifically represented by the Basket Components. In addition, you will not obtain the benefit of any increase in the value of the cur securities in the Basket Components trade against the U.S. dollar which you would have received if you had owned the saket Components during the term of your notes, although the value of the Basket may be adversely affected by generative movements in the market.	rencies in which the securities included in the
§ There may be potential conflicts of interest involving the calculation agent, which is MLPF&S. We have the rithe calculation agent.	ight to appoint and remove
The U.S. federal income tax consequences of the notes are uncertain, and may be adverse to a holder of the U.S. Federal Income Tax Consequences below and U.S. Federal Income Tax Summary beginning on page PS-29 or INDICES LIRN-1. For a discussion of the Canadian federal income tax consequences of investing in the notes, see Mac Consequences Canadian Taxation in the prospectus dated March 28, 2017, as supplemented by the discussion under Federal Income Tax Considerations herein.	f product supplement EQUI aterial Income Tax
Other Terms of the Notes	
Market Measure Business Day	
The following definition shall supersede and replace the definition of Market Measure Business Day set forth in product INDICES LIRN-1.	ct supplement EQUITY
A Market Measure Business Day means a day on which:	
(A) each of the Eurex (as to the EURO STOXX 50® Index), the London Stock Exchange (as to the FTSE® 100 Index Exchange (as to the Nikkei Stock Average Index), the SIX Swiss Exchange (as to the Swiss Market Index), the Australia the S&P®/ASX 200 Index), and the Stock Exchange of Hong Kong (as to the Hang Seng® Index) (or any successor to the are open for trading; and	n Stock Exchange (as to

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the Basket Components or any successors thereto are calculated and published.

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The Basket

The Basket is designed to allow investors to participate in the percentage changes in the levels of the Basket Components from the Starting Value to the Ending Value of the Basket. The Basket Components are described in the section entitled
The Basket Components
below. Each Basket Component was assigned an initial weight on the pricing date, as set forth in the table below.

For more information on the calculation of the value of the Basket, please see the section entitled Description of LIRNs Basket Market Measures beginning on page PS-20 of product supplement EQUITY INDICES LIRN-1.

On the pricing date, for each Basket Component, the Initial Component Weight, the closing level, the Component Ratio and the initial contribution to the Basket value were as follows:

Bloomberg Component Closing
Basket Component Symbol Weight Level(1)