

Appendix 4D

Half-Year Report

Listing Rule 4.2A.3

Company	Platinum Asset Management Limited
ASX Code	PTM
Half-Year Ended	31 December 2018
Previous corresponding period Half-Year Ended	31 December 2017
ABN	13 050 064 287

Results for Announcement to the Market

Announcement to the market for the Platinum Asset Management Limited Consolidated Group should be read in conjunction with the attached 31 December 2018 Interim Financial Report.

	% decrease	\$A'000
Total revenue	28.49%	132,968
Profit from ordinary activities after income tax	37.71%	65,170
Net profit attributable to members	26.72%	74,866
Basic and diluted EPS (cents per share)		12.84

Despite challenging investment markets, overall average FUM for the half-year ended 31 December 2018 was similar relative to the average FUM for the previous corresponding period, with net inflows of \$689m also being received from clients.

The underlying funds management business proved resilient with management fees increasing by 2.5% for the half-year when compared to the previous corresponding period. The profit before income tax expense, excluding performance fees, for the funds management business was \$111m for the half-year ended 31 December 2018, up 6% on the previous corresponding period (see table below). This result was assisted by a positive mix shift in FUM towards retail.

Funds management business segment	Dec 2018	Dec 2017	% Increase
	\$A'000	\$A'000	
Profit before income tax expense*	111,134	125,234	
Performance fees	22	20,795	
Profit before income tax expense, excluding performance fees	111,112	104,439	6.39%

^{*}Refer to note 10 of the interim financial report.

However, as foreshadowed in the 2018 AGM Chairman's address to shareholders and ASX release of 8 January 2019, the Company experienced a decline in overall profits attributable to owners of 26.7%. This was mainly due to the challenging equity markets experienced in the half-year, which caused the Company to both record an unrealised loss on its seed investments and generate little in the way of absolute return related performance fee income. Whilst both of these items detracted from the half-year profit, they remain important long-term contributors to the Company's profits.

Dividends

Dividend declared

Ex-date

Record date

Payment date

13 cents per share fully-franked
28 February 2019
1 March 2019
18 March 2019

The interim dividend paid for the half-year ended 31 December 2017 was 16 cents per share fully-franked.

Refer to the attached Auditor-reviewed financial statements for financial data on the Consolidated Group.

Dividend Reinvestment Plan

Whilst the Company has a Dividend Reinvestment Plan in place, it has not been activated.

Other Information

Net tangible assets per share was \$0.74 at 31 December 2018 as compared to \$0.70 at 30 June 2018.

Joanne Jefferies Company Secretary 21 February 2019



Platinum Asset Management Limited

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Interim Financial Report For the half-year ended 31 December 2018

Platinum Asset Management Limited Corporate directory 31 December 2018

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Stock exchange listing Platinum Asset Management Limited shares are listed on the Australian Securities

Exchange (ASX code: PTM)

Website <u>www.platinum.com.au/Shareholder-information/</u>

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Platinum Asset Management Limited Directors' report 31 December 2018

The Directors present their report, together with the financial statements, on the consolidated entity (referred to hereafter as the 'consolidated entity' or 'group') consisting of Platinum Asset Management Limited (referred to hereafter as the 'Company' or 'parent entity') and the entities it controlled at the end of, or during, the half-year ended 31 December 2018.

Directors

The following persons were Directors of Platinum Asset Management Limited during the whole of the half-year and up to the date of this report, unless otherwise stated:

Michael Cole Chairman and Non-Executive Director

Anne Loveridge Non-Executive Director
Stephen Menzies Non-Executive Director
Brigitte Smith Non-Executive Director

Tim Trumper Non-Executive Director (from 1 August 2018)
Andrew Clifford Chief Executive Officer/Managing Director

Kerr Neilson Executive Director

Elizabeth Norman Executive Director and Director of Investor Services and Communications

Andrew Stannard Executive Director and Chief Financial Officer

Principal activities

The Company is the non-operating holding company of Platinum Investment Management Limited (PIML) and its controlled entities. Platinum Investment Management Limited, trading as Platinum Asset Management (Platinum), operates a funds management business.

The key variables that drive the profitability of the consolidated entity are average funds under management (FUM) growth, investment performance, performance fees earned and expense management. FUM for the half-year ending 31 December 2018 is shown in the table below.

Operating and Financial Review

Funds	Opening Balance (1 Jul 18) \$'M	Flows \$'M	Other \$'M	Investment Performance \$'M	Closing Balance (31 Dec 18) \$'M	% of Total
Retail Funds						
Platinum Trust Funds and Platinum Global Fund ("Funds")^	16,927	516	-	(1,509)	15,934	66%
Quoted Managed Funds	313	164	_	(41)	436	2%
Platinum Listed Investment Vehicles	934	-	(58)	(75)	801	3%
MLC Platinum Global Fund	970	(64)	-	(83)	823	3%
Institutional Clients		, ,		, ,		
Fee Mandates	2,421	56	-	(183)	2,294	10%
Platinum Word Portfolios – UCITS	444	(4)	-	(41)	399	2%
funds						
'Relative' Performance Fees	3,192	37	-	(269)	2,960	12%
'Absolute' Performance Fee Mandates	498	(16)	-	(40)	442	2%
Total	25,699	689	(58)	(2,241)	24,089	100%

[^] excludes Quoted Managed Funds FUM.

FUM at 31 December 2018 was \$24.1 billion and this represented a decline of 6.3% when compared to the 30 June 2018 FUM of \$25.7 billion. The reduction in FUM was driven by a decline in investment performance of \$2.2 billion. Despite the decline in investment performance, net fund inflows remained resilient with \$0.7 billion in net inflows for the half-year.

The increase in net fund inflows included ongoing growth in our recently created products, with our two ASX quoted managed funds, Platinum International Fund (Quoted Managed Hedge Fund) (ASX code: PIXX) and Platinum Asia Fund (Quoted Managed Hedge Fund) (ASX code: PAXX) benefitting from net fund inflows of \$163.9 million for the six month period to 31 December 2018. At 31 December 2018, total FUM in the quoted managed funds was \$436.2 million.

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Investment performance for the half-year ended 31 December 2018 was down for most of our funds and mandates with our portfolio positioning generally being out of step with the market. During the September quarter, equity markets tended to strongly favour high growth sectors such as software, internet and biotech, particularly those companies headquartered in the US. At the same time, companies that were perceived as being more cyclical in nature were sold down. The combination of these two trends caused our funds to underperform their benchmark over the first three months of the review period. However, in contrast, the December quarter saw markets sold off heavily, especially in the very sectors that had done well just few months previously. As a consequence, most of our funds tended to outperform during the December quarter, but not by enough to offset the September quarter falls. The investment manager believes that the portfolios are attractively placed to perform well in the future, albeit that the timing of this outperformance remains uncertain.

As a consequence of the factors noted in the preceding paragraph, performance fee revenue was negligible for the half-year at \$22,000 (2017: \$20.8 million) and our seed investments made an overall unrealised loss for the half-year of \$20.9 million (2017: \$17.6 million gain) and these two highly variable factors, which are dependent on investment performance and market conditions, combined to reduce overall profitability.

It is important to remember just why we make seed investments. Over the course of the last few years, Platinum has greatly expanded the range of investment products thereby growing its investor base and FUM. This strategy often requires PTM to seed these new investment products. Seeding is therefore an important and integral part of our overall growth strategy. It provides new products with some key benefits:

- It demonstrates the manager's commitment to the product and strategy;
- It aligns the interest of the manager with that of investors;
- It provides the additional scale required to effectively construct and manage the portfolio from day one;
- It helps to dilute and manage the impact of cash flows into and/or out of what is initially a small pool of assets, providing stability to the portfolio; and
- It removes the investment and operational risks for initial investors who would otherwise be the first investor.

The investment manager's seeding of its newly created products is not intended to be a long-term commitment. As each product grows to sufficient size and scale, it is the intention of Platinum to reduce or eliminate its level of investment and to recycle that cash into other parts of the business. The decision to invest is driven by the strategic growth needs of the business. The investments are not intended to be held for the purposes of market speculation.

Total expenses decreased by \$3.1 million or 7.5% from the previous corresponding period. The decrease primarily related to a 41% decline in the provision for staff incentive payments (and related on-costs) from \$14.3 million at 31 December 2017 to \$8.4 million at 31 December 2018. This decline was mostly due to investment team remuneration being closely aligned with investment performance although the provision also includes an estimate for discretionary awards under the general employee plan. Other non-staff expenses¹ were well controlled, increasing just 1.9% when compared to the previous corresponding period

¹ Excluding the amortisation of deferred incentive awards.

Platinum Asset Management Limited Directors' report 31 December 2018

For the reasons noted above, profit after tax attributed to members declined to \$74.9 million (2017: \$102.2 million) for the half-year. This represents a decline in profit after tax of 26.7%. Earnings per share was 12.84 cents per share

During the half-year, Platinum incorporated a new wholly-owned subsidiary company in the UK, called Platinum UK Asset Management Limited and appointed a new Head of Distribution for the UK and European market. The intention is that Platinum UK will operate as a European sales and servicing centre for the consolidated entity.

Platinum continues to be positioned for the future:

- the investment team are able to find good value in the market which bodes well for future performance;
- the smooth leadership transition has helped ensure continuity of key people;
- the Company has made significant progress in relation to its future growth plans; and
- Platinum continues to invest in people, processes and technology.

The Company also remains in a strong financial position, with a strong balance sheet. However, the most significant driver of our sustainable future growth is, and will always be, the delivery of superior, long-term, investment returns for our clients.

Dividends

The Company has consistently paid shareholders over 90% of the Company's profit after tax, as dividends. This is because the Company's capital requirements have been limited. The Board generally expects that most future profits will continue to be distributed by way of dividends, subject to any capital requirements of the Company.

Since the end of the half-year, the Directors have declared a 2019 interim fully-franked dividend of 13 cents per share (\$75,817,000) with a record date of 1 March 2019 and payable to shareholders on 18 March 2019.

A 2019 interim dividend of 13 cents per share represents a distribution of slightly more than 100% of its earnings per share for the half-year ended 31 December 2018.

Auditor's independence declaration

A copy of the Auditor's independence declaration as required under section 307C of the *Corporations Act 2001* is set out on page 5.

This report is made in accordance with a resolution of Directors, pursuant to section 306(3)(a) of the *Corporations Act* 2001.

On behalf of the Directors

Marie Ok

Michael Cole Chairman

21 February 2019 Sydney Andrew Clifford

Director



Auditor's Independence Declaration

As lead auditor for the review of Platinum Asset Management Limited for the half-year ended 31 December 2018, I declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief, there have been:

- (a) no contraventions of the auditor independence requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001* in relation to the review
- (b) no contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the review.

This declaration is in respect of Platinum Asset Management Limited and the entities it controlled during the period.

R Balding

Partner

PricewaterhouseCoopers

Sydney 21 February 2019

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General information

The financial statements cover Platinum Asset Management Limited as a consolidated entity consisting of Platinum Asset Management Limited and the entities it controlled at the end of, or during, the half-year ended 31 December 2018. The financial statements are presented in Australian dollars, which is Platinum Asset Management Limited's functional and presentation currency.

A description of the nature of the consolidated entity's operations and its principal activities are included in the Directors' report, which is not part of the financial statements.

The financial statements were authorised for issue, in accordance with a resolution of Directors, on 21 February 2019.

The Directors have the power to amend and re-issue the interim financial report.

The interim financial report does not include all the notes of the type normally included in an annual financial report. Accordingly, the report is to be read in conjunction with the annual report for the year ended 30 June 2018 and any public announcements made by Platinum Asset Management Limited during the interim reporting period in accordance with the continuous disclosure requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001*.

Platinum Asset Management Limited Consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income For the half-year ended 31 December 2018

	Note	Conso Half-yea 31 Dec 2018 \$'000	r ended
Revenue Management fees Performance fees Total revenue Other income		148,843 148,865	145,175 20,795 165,970
Interest Dividends (Losses)/gains on investments in associates (Losses)/gains on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss Net foreign exchange gains/(losses) on overseas bank accounts Total of other income	3(b)	1,747 1,800 (9,302) (11,565) 1,423 (15,897)	1,914 500 12,816 4,792 (44) 19,978
Total revenue and other income		132,968	185,948
Expenses Staff Custody and unit registry Business development Legal, compliance and other professional Research Technology Share-based payments Rent and other occupancy Mail house, periodic reporting and share registry Depreciation Insurance Audit fee Other Total expenses Profit before income tax expense Income tax expense Other comprehensive income		(20,288) (6,356) (3,457) (1,362) (1,177) (1,081) (1,794) (830) (589) (380) (304) (289) (62) (37,969) 94,999 (29,840)	(24,726) (6,456) (3,223) (1,614) (1,017) (948) (730) (711) (553) (379) (269) (266) (152) (41,044) 144,904 (40,282)
Exchange rate translation impact of foreign subsidiaries	12	11	<u>-</u>
Other comprehensive income for the half-year, net of tax			
Total comprehensive income for the half-year		65,170	104,622
Profit after income tax expense for the half-year is attributable to: Owners of Platinum Asset Management Limited Non-controlling interests		74,866 (9,696) 65,170	102,169 2,453 104,622
Basic earnings per share Diluted earnings per share	9 9	Cents 12.84 12.84	17.46 17.46

Platinum Asset Management Limited Consolidated statement of financial position As at 31 December 2018

		Consol As	
	Note	31 Dec 2018 \$'000	30 Jun 2018 \$'000
Assets			
Current assets Cash and cash equivalents Term deposits Trade and other receivables Income tax receivable Total current assets	6	83,545 115,876 27,360 226,781	164,337 27,876 52,557 3,333 248,103
Non-current assets Equity investments in associates Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss Fixed assets Net deferred tax assets Total non-current assets	3 5	86,618 139,726 3,704 577 230,625	95,920 98,796 2,986 - 197,702
Total assets		457,406	445,805
Liabilities			
Current liabilities Trade and other payables Employee benefits Income tax payable Total current liabilities	7 8	6,836 11,769 4,995 23,600	24,082 3,249
Non-current liabilities Provisions Net deferred tax liabilities Total non-current liabilities	8	1,145 1,145	1,145 6,214 7,359
Total liabilities		24,745	34,690
Net assets		432,661	411,115
Equity Issued capital Reserves Retained profits	11 12	731,245 (580,090) 167,482	731,245 (582,006) 185,940
Total equity attributable to the owners of Platinum Asset Management Limited		318,637	335,179
Total equity attributable to non-controlling interests: Non-controlling interests	4	114,024	75,936
Total equity		432,661	411,115

Platinum Asset Management Limited Consolidated statement of changes in equity For the half-year ended 31 December 2018

Balance at 31 December 2018

Consolidated	Issued capital \$'000	Reserves \$'000	Retained profits \$'000	controlling Interests \$'000	Total equity \$'000
Balance at 1 July 2017	742,933	(588,818)	177,959	-	335,074
Profit after income tax expense for the half- year Other comprehensive income	-	-	102,169	2,453	104,622
Total comprehensive income for the half-year	-	-	102,169	2,453	104,622
Transactions with owners in their capacity as owners:					
Share-based payments reserve (Note 12) Dividends paid (Note 13) Transactions with non-controlling interests	-	787 -	(87,758)	-	787 (87,758)
(Note 4)	-	-	-	43,787	43,787
Balance at 31 December 2017	742,933	(585,031)	192,370	46,240	396,512
Consolidated	Issued Capital \$'000	Reserves \$'000	Retained profits \$'000	Non- controlling Interests \$'000	Total equity \$'000
Consolidated Balance at 1 July 2018	Capital		profits	controlling Interests	equity
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Platinum Asset Management Limited Consolidated statement of cash flows For the half-year ended 31 December 2018

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Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the half-year 164,337 154,263 Effects of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents 1,439 (27)	Net cash (used in) financing activities	(52,276)	(21,736)	
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Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the half-year 83,545 88,290	Effects of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	1,439	(27)	
	Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the half-year	83,545	88,290	

Note 1. Significant accounting policies

These general purpose financial statements for the interim half-year reporting period ended 31 December 2018 have been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standard AASB 134: *Interim Financial Reporting* and the *Corporations Act 2001*, as appropriate for for-profit oriented entities. Compliance with AASB 134 ensures compliance with International Financial Reporting Standard IAS 34 *Interim Financial Reporting*.

These general purpose financial statements do not include all the notes of the type normally included in annual financial statements. Accordingly, these financial statements are to be read in conjunction with the annual report for the year ended 30 June 2018 and any public announcements made by the Company during the interim reporting period in accordance with the continuous disclosure requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001*.

Platinum Investment Management Limited (PIML) seeded or invested in many of the products it offers to investors and this impacted on the accounting treatment adopted in the consolidated financial statements. The accounting treatment adopted in these consolidated financial statements with respect to the seed investments was similar to the accounting treatment adopted in the 30 June 2018 financial statements. Nonetheless, we have taken the opportunity to outline the applicable accounting treatment and the reason(s) for the adoption.

Entity	PIML ownership interest at 31 December 2018	Accounting treatment adopted in these accounts
Platinum Trust Fund investments	Interest is less than 1% in each Fund.	Fair value accounting applied (see Note 14).
Platinum Asia Fund (Quoted Managed Hedge Fund) (PAXX)	16.0%	Subsidiary. Consolidation accounting applied (see Note 2).^
Platinum World Portfolios (PWP)	13.9%	Investment in associate. Equity accounting applied (see Note 3).*
Platinum Asia Investments Limited (PAI)	8.3%	Investment in associate. Equity accounting applied (see Note 3).*

^PIML has been assessed as exerting control over PAXX, predominantly on the basis of its ownership interest in PAXX, in conjunction with its role as investment manager, responsible entity and role in the marketing of PAXX and its ability to influence the variability and extent of returns. As a result, the consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income includes PAXX's investment income and expenses for the 6 month period to 31 December 2018 and the consolidated statement of financial position includes PAXX's assets, liabilities and equity as at 31 December 2018. A breakdown of the external (non-PIML/non-controlling) investment in PAXX is disclosed in Note 4.

*At 31 December 2018, PIML (and the consolidated entity) was assessed as having significant influence over Platinum Asia Investments Limited (PAI) and Platinum World Portfolios Plc (PWP) (Refer to Note 3 for further details).

As a direct result of the different accounting treatment adopted in these consolidated financial statements (as presented in the table above), the notes presented in these accounts are in three parts:

PART A – Notes 2 to 4: Notes that explain the accounting treatment of the entities that form part of the Platinum consolidated group or investments in associates

PART B - Notes 5 to 14: Operations - Notes that explain the operations of the consolidated entity

PART C - Notes 15 to 19: Miscellaneous Notes that are required by the accounting standards



PART A - Notes 2 to 4

Notes that explain the accounting treatment of the entities that form part of the Platinum consolidated group or investments in associates

Notes 2 to 4 focus on the accounting treatment adopted in these accounts and contains key information relating to the parent entity, subsidiaries, controlled entities and associates.

Note 2. Interests in subsidiaries

The consolidated financial statements incorporate the assets, liabilities and results of the following entities:

		Ownership interest As at		
Name	Principal place of business / Country of incorporation	31 Dec 2018 %		
McRae Pty Limited	Australia	100.0	100.0	
Platinum Asset Pty Limited	Australia	100.0	100.0	
Platinum Investment Management Limited	Australia	100.0	100.0	
Platinum Employee Share Trust	Australia	100.0	100.0	
Platinum Investment Management Australia Corp.	United States	100.0	100.0	
Platinum GP Pty Limited	Australia	100.0	100.0	
Platinum Asia Fund (Quoted Managed Hedge Fund) Australia			
(PAXX) [^]		16.0	19.9	
Platinum UK Asset Management Limited^^	United Kingdom	100.0	-	

[^] The decrease in PIML's ownership of PAXX at 31 December 2018 relative to 30 June 2018 was because of additional external investment into PAXX.

Note 3. Equity investments in associates

At 31 December 2018, the consolidated entity's investment(s) in Platinum Asia Investments Limited (PAI) and Platinum World Portfolios Plc (PWP) represent interests in associates which are accounted for using the equity method of accounting. Information relating to this is shown in the table on the following page:

^{^^} During the interim period (on 17 September 2018), Platinum UK Asset Management Limited was incorporated. Its primary purpose is to act as a European sales and servicing centre for the consolidated entity, predominantly with the objective of generating additional fund inflows into the UCITS funds.

a. Interests in associates

Entity		Equity interest %		alue 00	Carrying amount \$'000		
	31	30	31	30	31	30	Reason for
	December	June	December	June	December	June	assessment of
	2018	2018	2018	2018	2018	2018	significant influence
PAI	8.3	8.3	32,100	37,800	30,965	34,972	Level of ownership interest was 8.3% at 31 December 2018; PIML acts as Investment Manager (IM) in accordance with the Investment Management Agreement; PIML provides performance and exposure reports to the PAI Board.
PWP	13.9	13.7	57,692	63,409	55,653	60,948	Level of ownership interest was 13.9% at 31 December 2018; PIML acts as Investment Manager (IM) in accordance with the Investment Management Agreement; PIML provides performance and exposure reports to the PWP Board and Stephen Menzies is a Director of PWP and a Director of Platinum Asset Management Limited.
			89,792	101,209	86,618	95,920	

The fair value of Platinum Asia Investments Limited reflects the 30 million shares held multiplied by the closing price at 31 December 2018 of \$1.07.

The carrying amount reflects the consolidated entity's share of PAI's net assets.

The fair value of PWP reflects the shares held in the sub-funds multiplied by their respective closing prices at 31 December 2018.

We have conducted an impairment assessment of the carrying amounts including a look-through of each of the underlying assets and liabilities of PAI and PWP. Based on this analysis, no impairment exists at 31 December 2018 or 30 June 2018.

Note 3. Equity investments in associates (continued)

b. Carrying amount of investment using the equity method

	As at	
	31 Dec 2018 \$'000	30 Jun 2018 \$'000
Opening balance	95,920	91,692
Partial disposal of PAI	-	(21,252)
Acquisition of additional PWP units	-	19,149
Share of associates' (loss)/profit (see below)	(7,502)	8,031
Dividends paid (PAI)	(1,800)	(1,700)
Closing balance		
-	86,618	95,920
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c. Share of associates' statement of financial position

31 December 2018	Platinum Asia Investments Limited \$'000	Group's share of associate \$'000	Platinum World Portfolios \$'000	Group's share of associate \$'000
Total assets Total liabilities	378,139 4,951	31,376 411	402,277 2,756	56,037 384
Net assets	373,188	30,965	399,521	55,653

Total group's share of associates' statement of financial position (share of PAI's net assets of \$30,965,000 and PWP's net assets of \$55,653,000) = \$86,618,000.

30 June 2018	Platinum Asia Investments Limited \$'000	Group's share of associate \$'000	Platinum World Portfolios \$'000	Group's share of associate \$'000
Total assets Total liabilities	432,464 12,788	36,038 1,066	446,975 2,098	61,235 287
Net assets	419,676	34,972	447,877	60,948

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Total group's share of associates' statement of financial position (share of PAI's net assets of \$34,972,000 and PWP's net assets of \$60,948,000) = \$95,920,000.

Note 3. Equity investments in associates (continued)

d. Associate's net income

31 December 2018
Total investment loss
Total expenses
Loss before tax
Income tax benefit
Loss after tax
Dilution of unitholding throughout the period, foreign currency translation impact and dividends received Realised and unrealised loss on investment in associate

Total investment loss
Total expenses
Loss before tax
Income tax benefit
Loss after tax
Dilution of unitholding throughout the period, foreign
currency translation impact and dividends received
Realised and unrealised loss on investment in associates

30 June 2018
Total investment income
Total expenses
Profit before tax
Income tax expense
Profit after tax
Realised equity accounting gain on partial disposal of PAI shares, dividends received and dilution of unitholding throughout the year and foreign currency translation impact Realised and unrealised gain on investment in associate

Total investment income
Total expenses
Profit before tax
Income tax expense
Profit after tax
Realised equity accounting gain on partial disposal
of PAI shares, dividends received and dilution of
unitholding throughout the year and foreign currency
translation impact
Realised and unrealised gain on investment in associates

Platinum Asia Investments Limited \$'000	Group's share of associate \$'000	Platinum World Portfolios \$'000	Group's share of associate \$'000
(35,325)	(2,932)	(59,019)	(8,221)
(2,900)	(240)	(2,798)	(390)
(38,225)	(3,172)	(61,817)	(8,611)
11,506	955	-	-
(26,719)	(2,217)	(61,817)	(8,611)
	(1,790)		3,316
-	(4,007)	_	(5,295)

Group's share of associates (total) \$'000
(11,153)
(630)
(11,783)
955
(10,828)
1,526
(9,302)

Platinum Asia Investments Limited \$'000	Group's share of associate \$'000	Platinum World Portfolios \$'000	Group's share of associate \$'000
79,884	6,679	37,276	5,107
(6,940)	(578)	(6,454)	(884)
72,944	6,101	30,822	4,223
(21,466)	(1,789)	•	<u> </u>
51,478	4,312	30,822	4,223
	1,180		(504)
- -	5,492		3,719

Group's share of		
associates		
(total)		
\$'000		
11,786		
(1,462)		
10,324		
(1,789)		
8,535		
676		
9,211		
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Note 4. Equity attributable to non-controlling interests

The consolidated statement of financial position includes the assets, liabilities and equity of Platinum Asia Fund (Quoted Managed Hedge Fund) (PAXX) at 31 December 2018, including its external investment. The external (non-related party) investment in PAXX represents a non-controlling interest in the Platinum consolidated entity. The comparative year also discloses the non-controlling interest of the investment in Platinum International Fund (Quoted Managed Hedge Fund) (PIXX) up until the date of deconsolidation from the Platinum group, on 18 October 2017. PIML originally invested or seeded both PIXX and PAXX, but redeemed its investment in PIXX in the 2018 financial year, as a result of encouraging net inflows. The relevant non-controlling interests are as follows:

	As at		
	31 Dec 2018 \$'000	30 Jun 2018 \$'000	
Opening balance	75,936	-	
Profit after income tax attributable to non-controlling interests - PIXX	-	1,357	
Loss/(profit) after income tax attributable to non-controlling interests – PAXX	(9,696)	1,016	
Additional external investment into PAXX	47,784	91,765	
Deconsolidation of PIXX	-	(1,357)	
Distribution paid to external unitholders of PAXX		(16,845)	
	114,024	75,936	

External equity – PAXX

External equity represents external investment into PAXX. During the interim period, net external investment into PAXX totalled A\$47,784,000 (period from 14 September 2017 to 30 June 2018: \$91,765,000).

PART B - Notes 5 to 14

Operations – Notes that explain the operations of the consolidated entity

Note 5. Non-current assets - financial assets at fair value through profit or loss

Note 5. Non-current assets - interioral assets at fair value through profit of 1035	Consolidated As at	
	31 Dec 2018 \$'000	30 Jun 2018 \$'000
Unit trust – held directly by Platinum Asia Fund (Quoted Managed Hedge Fund) (PAXX) ^ Platinum Trust Fund investments	139,548 178	98,602 194
	139,726	98,796

[^] As discussed on Note 1, at 31 December 2018, the financial assets of PAXX continue to be consolidated into the Platinum consolidated entity, predominantly because PIML had an ownership interest of 16.0%, in conjunction with its role as the Investment Manager of PAXX.

Note 6. Current assets - trade and other receivables

		Consolidated As at		
	31 Dec 2018 \$'000	30 Jun 2018 \$'000		
Management fees receivable	24,992	27,959		
Performance fees receivable	25	1,180		
Interest receivable	247	138		
Prepayments	1,802	1,693		
Sundry debtors [^]	294	36		
30 June distribution receivable – PAXX investment in Platinum Asia Fund	-	21,551		
	27,360	52,557		

[^] includes a one-off amount due to the consolidated entity of \$217,248 from an offshore US bank, which was received in January 2019.

Note 6. Current assets - trade and other receivables (continued)

Management and performance fees receivable(s) were received between three to 30 days after balance date.

Interest receivable comprised accrued interest on term deposits and cash accounts. Interest on term deposits is received on maturity.

Distributions are only paid at 30 June, and this is the reason why the distribution receivable above (and distribution payable below) were both \$nil at 31 December 2018.

Note 7. Current Liabilities - Trade and other payables

Trade and enter payables	Consolidated As at	
	31 Dec 2018 \$'000	30 Jun 2018 \$'000
Trade payables	4,056	4,326
Unclaimed dividends payable to shareholders	629	538
Sundry payables – PAXX	76	-
GST payable	2,075	2,373
30 June distribution payable – PAXX to unitholders (excluding PIML's share)	-	16,845
	6,836	24,082
Note 8. Current and non-current liabilities – Employee-related provisions		
	Consolidated As at	
	31 Dec 2018 \$'000	30 Jun 2018 \$'000
Current liabilities	V 333	+ 333
Variable remuneration accrual and associated on-costs^	8,370	-
Annual leave	1,353	1,337
Long service leave	2,046	1,912
	11,769	3,249
Non-current liabilities		
Payroll tax accrual for Deferred Remuneration Plan awards	1,145	1,145
	1,145	1,145

[^] Variable remuneration is determined with reference to investment and staff performance for the period to 31 March of each year and is paid in June.

The variable remuneration accrual is therefore an estimate, on a pro-rata basis, for the period to 31 December 2018. Actual variable remuneration awards for the year may vary substantially from the accrual reflected in these financial statements.

Further information on variable remuneration can be found in the 2018 Remuneration Report, which appears in the 2018 Annual Report.

Note 9. Earnings per share

	Consolidated Half-year ended 31 Dec 2018 31 Dec 2017 \$'000 \$'000	
Profit after income tax attributable to the owners of Platinum Asset Management Limited	74,866	102,169
	Number	Number
Weighted average number of ordinary shares used in calculating basic and diluted earnings per share	583,207,034	585,052,874
	Cents	Cents
Basic earnings per share Diluted earnings per share	12.84 12.84	17.46 17.46

Note 10. Segment information

The consolidated entity is organised into two main operating segments being:

- funds management: through the generation of management and performance fees from Australian investment vehicles, its US-based investment mandates and its offshore European-based fund, Platinum World Portfolios Plc. (PWP); and
- investments and other: through the consolidated entity's investment in the (a) ASX quoted, Platinum Asia Investments Limited (b) PWP (c) unlisted Platinum Trust Funds and (d) the quoted managed fund, PAXX. Also included in this category are Australian dollar term deposits as well as associated interest derived from these.

The segment financial results, segment assets and liabilities are disclosed on the following page(s):

Note 10. Segment information (continued)	Funds Management \$'000	Investments and Other	Total
Current period - 31 December 2018		\$'000	\$'000
Revenue			
Management and performance fees	148,865	-	148,865
Interest	148	1,599	1,747
Net losses on financial assets and equity in associates	-	(20,867)	(20,867)
Net foreign exchange gains on overseas bank accounts and dividends		3,223	3,223
Total revenue and other income	149,013	(16,045)	132,968
Expenses	37,879	90	37,969
Profit before income tax expense	111,134	(16,135)	94,999
Income tax (expense)/benefit	(35,221)	5,381	(29,840)
Profit after income tax expense	75,913	(10,754)	65,159
Other comprehensive income	-	11	11
Total comprehensive income	75,913	(10,743)	65,170
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Assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	6,150		83,545
Financial assets and equity in associates	-	226,344	226,344
Term deposits	<u>-</u>	115,876	115,876
Receivables and other assets	32,407	(766)	31,641
Total assets	38,557	418,849	457,406
Liabilities			
Payables and provisions	19,674	76	19,750
Tax liabilities	4,995	-	4,995
Total liabilities	24,669	76	24,745
Net assets	13,888	418,773	432,661

Note 10. Segment information (continued)

Comparative period - 31 December 2017		Funds Management \$'000	Investments and Other \$'000	Total \$'000
Revenue Management and performance fees Interest Net gains on financial assets and equity in associates Net foreign exchange losses on overseas bank accounts and Total revenue and other income	dividends	165,970 203 - - - 166,173	1,711 17,608 456 19,775	165.970 1,914 17,608 456 185,948
Expenses Profit before income tax expense Income tax expense Profit after income tax expense Other comprehensive income Total comprehensive income		40,939 125,234 (34,535) 90,699 - 90,699	105 19,670 (5,747) 13,923	41,044 144,904 (40,282) 104,622
Comparative period – 30 June 2018				
Assets Cash and cash equivalents Financial assets and equity in associates Term deposits Receivables and other assets Total assets		4,837 - 37,187 42,024	159,500 194,716 27,876 21,689 403,781	164,337 194,716 27,876 58,876 445,805
Liabilities Payables and provisions Tax liabilities Total liabilities Net assets		11,631 1,496 13,127 28,897	16,845 4,718 21,563 382,218	28,476 6,214 34,690 411,115
Note 11. Equity - issued capital				
Ordinary shares - fully paid Treasury shares purchased	31 Dec 2018 Shares 586,678,900 (3,471,866)	Shares	31 Dec 2018 \$'000 751,355 (20,110)	\$'000 751,355
Total issued capital	583,207,034	583,207,034	731,245	731,245

Ordinary shares

Ordinary shares entitle the holder to participate in dividends and the proceeds on the winding up of the Company in proportion to the number of and amounts paid on the shares held.

On a show of hands every member present at a meeting in person or by proxy shall have one vote and upon a poll each share shall have one vote.

On 12 September 2018, the Company announced the extension of the on-market share buy-back program, in which shares will be bought-back if the PTM shares trade at a discount to its underlying value. No shares have been bought-back.

Note 12. Equity - reserves

		Consolidated As at		
	31 Dec 2018 \$'000	30 Jun 2018 \$'000		
Foreign currency translation reserve Capital reserve	132 (588,144)	121 (588,144)		
Share-based payments reserve	7,922	6,017		
	(580,090)	(582,006)		

Foreign currency translation reserve

Exchange rate differences arising on translation of foreign controlled entities are recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated as a separate reserve within equity. The balance of the foreign currency translation reserve was \$132,000 at 31 December 2018 (30 June 2018: \$121,000).

Share-based payments reserve

In 2016, the consolidated entity established and allocated rights to eligible employees under the Deferred Incentive Plan. Additional rights were granted each year after that.

The amount in the share-based payments reserve is comprised of the amortisation of the rights granted in FY18, FY17 and FY16 and any associated future tax deduction.

No new deferred rights were granted in the current half-year, so the movement in the share-based payments reserve is comprised of the pro-rata (6 month) amortisation of the rights granted in FY18, FY17 and FY16.

Movements in reserves

Movements in each class of reserve during the current (and prior) half-year are set out below:

Consolidated - 31 December 2018	Share-based payments \$'000	Foreign Currency \$'000	Capital \$'000	Total \$'000
Balance at 1 July 2018 Exchange rate translation impact of foreign subsidiaries Movement in share-based payments reserve	6,017 - 1,905	121 11 	(588,144)	(582,006) 11 1,905
Balance at 31 December 2018	7,922	132	(588,144)	(580,090)
Consolidated – 30 June 2018				
Balance at 1 July 2017 Exchange rate translation impact of foreign subsidiaries Movement in share-based payments reserve	2,212 - 3,805	114 7 -	(588,144)	(588,818) 7 3,805
Balance at 30 June 2018	6,017	121	(588,144)	(582,006)

Note 13. Equity - dividends

Dividends paid during the half-year were as follows:

	Consolidated		
	31 Dec 2018 \$'000	31 Dec 2017 \$'000	
Dividend paid on 21 September 2018 of 16 cents per ordinary shares	93,313	-	
Dividend paid on 22 September 2017 of 15 cents per ordinary shares		87,758	
	93,313	87,758	

Since the period end, the Directors have determined to pay an ordinary fully-franked dividend of 13 cents per share (31 December 2017: ordinary dividend of 16 cents per share) payable out of profits for the 6 months ended 31 December 2018.

This dividend has not been provided for at 31 December 2018, as it was declared after period end.

Note 14. Fair value measurement

Fair value hierarchy

AASB 13: Fair Value Measurement requires the consolidated entity to classify those assets and liabilities measured at fair value using the following fair value hierarchy model (consistent with the hierarchy model applied to financial assets and liabilities at 30 June 2018).

- (i) quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (level 1);
- (ii) inputs other than quoted prices included within level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability either directly (as prices) or indirectly (derived from prices) (level 2); and
- (iii) inputs for the assets or liability that are not based on observable market data (unobservable inputs) (level 3).

The investments in PAI and PWP have not been measured at fair value because they have been classified as equity investments in associates. If they were measured using the hierarchy model, they would be classified as level 1 (PAI) and level 2 (PWP).

The tables below analyse within the fair value hierarchy model the consolidated entity's assets and liabilities, measured or disclosed at fair value, using the three level hierarchy model at 31 December 2018 and 30 June 2018. The consolidated entity has no assets or liabilities that are classified as level 3.

31 December 2018	Level 1 \$'000	Level 2 \$'000	Total \$'000
Assets Unit trust - held directly by Platinum Asia Fund (Quoted Managed Hedge			
Fund) (ASX code: PAXX)	-	139,548	139,548
Platinum Trust Fund investments	-	[^] 178	178
	-	139,726	139,726
30 June 2018	Level 1 \$'000	Level 2 \$'000	Total \$'000
Assets Unit trust - held directly by Platinum Asia Fund (Quoted Managed Hedge			
Fund) (ASX code: PAXX)	-	98,602	98,602
Platinum Trust Fund investments		194	194
	<u> </u>	98,796	98,796

Note 14. Fair value measurement (continued)

The consolidated entity's policy is to recognise transfers into and transfers out of fair value hierarchy levels at the end of the reporting period.

PIML's investments in the Platinum Trust Funds and investment held directly by PAXX are valued based on their respective unit prices at 31 December 2018 (adjusted for the buy-sell spread) of the underlying assets and liabilities. Accordingly, management has assessed the fair value investments as being level 2 investments.

PART C - Notes 15 to 19 - Miscellaneous Notes that are required by the accounting standards

Note 15. Related party transactions

Subsidiaries

Interests in subsidiaries are set out in Note 2.

Tax consolidation and dividend transactions

Any tax payable on income and gains from any entity within the tax consolidated group and dividends are sourced from the main operating subsidiary, Platinum Investment Management Limited (PIML), and paid out under the Company. Platinum Asset Management Limited is the head entity of the consolidated tax group and is the parent entity, and consequently, is the entity that ultimately pays out dividends to shareholders. The amounts paid are disclosed in the consolidated statement of cash flows.

Fees received

Platinum Investment Management Limited provides investment management services to:

- (i) its related party unit trusts the Platinum Trust Funds and Platinum Global Fund;
- (ii) its European-based offshore fund, Platinum World Portfolios Plc;
- (iii) its two ASX-listed investment companies (LICs), Platinum Capital Limited (PMC) and Platinum Asia Investments Limited (PAI); and
- (iv) its two ASX quoted managed funds, Platinum International Fund (Quoted Managed Hedge Fund) (ASX code: PIXX) and Platinum Asia Fund (Quoted Managed Hedge Fund) (ASX code: PAXX).

Platinum Investment Management Limited is entitled to receive a monthly management fee, either directly or indirectly, from each of these entities and a performance fee based on the relative investment performance of the Platinum Trust Funds, Platinum World Portfolios Plc, Platinum Capital Limited (PMC) and Platinum Asia Investments Limited (PAI). The consolidated entity does not derive any management fees or performance fees directly from PIXX and PAXX. Management and performance fees are borne at the Platinum International Fund/Platinum Asia Fund level and are paid directly by these funds to the consolidated entity. The total related party fees recognised in the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income for the period ended 31 December 2018 and 31 December 2017 were as follows:

31 Dec 2018 31 Dec 2017 \$ \$

Related party fees 124,150,091 120,848,677

Included in these figures, is related party fees receivable, disclosed in the statement of financial position for the period ended 31 December 2018 and 30 June 2018 as follows:

31 Dec 2018 30 Jun 2018 \$

Related party fees receivable

19,752,998 23,317,632

Note 15. Related party transactions (continued)

Investment transactions

During the half-year, PIML received the final 2018 fully-franked dividend of \$1,800,000 from its investment in PAI.

PIML also received the 30 June 2018 distribution of \$4,816,109 from PAXX. This amount (subject to rounding) was fully reinvested back into PAXX and 1,105,753 additional units were allotted to PIML on 2 July 2018. At 31 December 2018, PIML held 5,566,753 units in PAXX.

Other related party transactions

Mr Stephen Menzies is PIML's nominee on the Board of PWP. PIML reimburses Stephen Menzies for any incidental travel and accommodation associated with attendance at Board meetings in Ireland. During the half-year, the amount reimbursed was \$17,523 (31 December 2017: \$nil).

In the current period, the consolidated entity paid \$35,000 (31 December 2017: \$20,000) to OneVue Services Pty Limited for the provision of services associated with the enhancement of the Platinum website. OneVue is a related party of the Chairman of Platinum Asset Management Limited, Mr Michael Cole.

During the interim period (on 17 September 2018), Platinum UK Asset Management Limited was incorporated and PIML transferred A\$175,346 as funding for Platinum UKs operations and expenses. The service fee incurred by PIML and payable to Platinum UK Asset Management Limited was \$853,789.

Loan agreements with related parties

There were no formal loan agreements executed with related parties during the current and previous reporting period, but there were inter-company receivables and payables.

Note 16. Contingent Assets, Liabilities and Commitments

The consolidated entity has no commitments for significant capital expenditure. No contingent assets or liabilities exist at 31 December 2018 and 30 June 2018.

Note 17. Events after the reporting period

Apart from the dividend declared on 21 February 2019, as disclosed in Note 13, no other matter or circumstance has arisen since 31 December 2018 that has significantly affected, or may significantly affect, the consolidated entity's operations, the results of those operations, or the consolidated entity's state of affairs in future financial years.

Note 18. Accounting Standards and Interpretations not yet mandatory or early adopted during the half-year

Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations that are of relevance to the consolidated entity but are not mandatory and have not been early adopted for the interim reporting period ended 31 December 2018, and the consolidated entity's assessment of the impact of these issued or amended Accounting Standards and Interpretations, most relevant to the consolidated entity, are set out on the following page.

Note 18. Accounting Standards and Interpretations not yet mandatory or early adopted during the half-year (continued)

(a) AASB 16: Leases

AASB 16 will apply for annual reporting periods commencing 1 January 2019. The standard eliminates the classification of leases as either operating leases or finance leases for a lessee and requires lease assets and lease liabilities to be recognised in the statement of financial position, initially measured at the present value of future lease payments. In addition, amortisation of the lease assets and interest on the lease liabilities will be recognised in the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income and the statement of cash flows will need to separate the total amount of cash paid into a principal portion and interest. This standard has been assessed as increasing the value of the consolidated entity's gross assets and gross liabilities, however the standard has been assessed as not having a material impact on the consolidated entity's net assets, operations or results. The consolidated entity anticipates that the adoption of the standard for annual reporting periods commencing 1 July 2019 will result in increased disclosure.

There are no other standards that are not yet effective that are expected to have a material impact on the consolidated entity in the current or future reporting periods and on foreseeable future transactions.

Note 19. Accounting Standards adopted during the half-year

(a) Adoption of AASB 15: Revenue from contracts with customers and associated amendments

The consolidated entity has adopted AASB 15 for reporting periods commencing 1 July 2018. The standard provides a single revenue recognition model based on the transfer of goods and services and the consideration expected to be received in return for that transfer. Revenue recognised by an asset manager can only be recognised to the extent that it is highly probable that a significant reversal in the amount of cumulative revenue recognised will not occur in future periods. This means that performance fees will only be recognised once the contractual measurement period is completed. This is consistent with how performance fees are already recognised in the consolidated entity's accounts. AASB 15 has been applied retrospectively by the consolidated entity and did not result in a material change in revenue recognition for the consolidated entity.

(b) Adoption of AASB 9: Financial Instruments (and applicable amendments) ("AASB 9")

AASB 9: *Financial Instruments* addresses the classification, measurement and derecognition of financial assets and financial liabilities. It introduced revised rules around hedging accounting and impairment. The standard was applicable from 1 January 2018.

The Company has adopted AASB 9 for reporting periods commencing 1 July 2018. AASB 9 replaces the classification and measurement model in AASB 139: *Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement* with a new model that classifies financial instruments based on the business model within which the financial instruments are managed, and whether the contractual cash flows under the instrument solely represent the payment of principal and interest.

Under the new standard, financial instruments are classified as:

- amortised cost if the objective of the business model is to hold the financial instruments to collect contractual cash flows and those cash flows represent solely payments of principal and interest (SPPI);
- fair value through other comprehensive income if the objective of the business model is to hold the financial instruments to collect contractual cashflows from SPPI and to sell; or
- all other financial instruments must be recognised at fair value through profit or loss. An entity can, at initial
 recognition, also irrevocably designate a financial instrument as measured at fair value through profit or loss if it
 eliminates or significantly reduces a measurement or recognition inconsistency. Derivative and equity instruments
 are measured at fair value through profit or loss unless, for equity instruments not held for trading, an irrevocable
 option is taken to measure at fair value through other comprehensive income.

AASB 9 has been applied retrospectively by the Company. Given no debt instruments are held by the Company, which could result in a reclassification of the financial instruments to amortised cost or fair value through other comprehensive income ('FVOCI'), the adoption of AASB 9 did not have a significant impact on the recognition and measurement of the Company's financial instruments.

Platinum Asset Management Limited Directors' declaration 31 December 2018

In the Directors' opinion:

- the attached financial statements and notes comply with the Corporations Act 2001, Australian Accounting Standard AASB 134: Interim Financial Reporting, the Corporations Regulations 2001 and other mandatory professional reporting requirements;
- the attached financial statements and notes give a true and fair view of the consolidated entity's financial position as at 31 December 2018 and of its performance for the half-year ended on that date; and
- there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Company will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of Directors made pursuant to section 303(5)(a) of the Corporations Act 2001.

On behalf of the Directors

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Michael Cole Chairman

21 February 2019 Sydney Andrew Clifford Director

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Independent auditor's review report to the members of Platinum Asset Management Limited

Report on the Half-Year Financial Report

We have reviewed the accompanying half-year financial report of Platinum Asset Management Limited (the Company), which comprises the consolidated statement of financial position as at 31 December 2018, the consolidated statement of changes in equity, consolidated statement of cash flows and consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income for the half-year ended on that date, selected other explanatory notes and the directors' declaration for Platinum Asset Management Limited. The Group comprises the Company and the entities it controlled during that half-year.

Directors' responsibility for the half-year financial report

The directors of the Company are responsible for the preparation of the half-year financial report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and the *Corporations Act 2001* and for such internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of the half-year financial report that is free from material misstatement whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's responsibility

Our responsibility is to express a conclusion on the half-year financial report based on our review. We conducted our review in accordance with Australian Auditing Standard on Review Engagements ASRE 2410 Review of a Financial Report Performed by the Independent Auditor of the Entity, in order to state whether, on the basis of the procedures described, we have become aware of any matter that makes us believe that the half-year financial report is not in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001 including giving a true and fair view of the Group's financial position as at 31 December 2018 and its performance for the half-year ended on that date; and complying with Accounting Standard AASB 134 Interim Financial Reporting and the Corporations Regulations 2001. As the auditor of Platinum Asset Management Limited, ASRE 2410 requires that we comply with the ethical requirements relevant to the audit of the annual financial report.

A review of a half-year financial report consists of making enquiries, primarily of persons responsible for financial and accounting matters, and applying analytical and other review procedures. A review is substantially less in scope than an audit conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards and consequently does not enable us to obtain assurance that we would become aware of all significant matters that might be identified in an audit. Accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion.

Independence

In conducting our review, we have complied with the independence requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001*.

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Conclusion

Based on our review, which is not an audit, we have not become aware of any matter that makes us believe that the half-year financial report of Platinum Asset Management Limited is not in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001* including:

- 1. giving a true and fair view of the Group's financial position as at 31 December 2018 and of its performance for the half-year ended on that date;
- 2. complying with Accounting Standard AASB 134 Interim Financial Reporting and the Corporations Regulations 2001.

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R Balding Partner

Sydney 21 February 2019