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**Platinum International Technology Fund\***

**Financial Report**  
**For the Financial Year/Period\* ended 30 June 2000**

\* Period from 18 May 2000 to 30 June 2000

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## **Responsible Entity Report**

The Directors of Platinum Asset Management, being the responsible entity of Platinum Japan Fund, Platinum European Fund, Platinum International Fund, Platinum International Brands Fund and Platinum International Technology Fund (the registered schemes) present their report on the registered schemes for the financial year ended 30 June 2000 for Platinum Japan Fund, Platinum European Fund and Platinum International Fund and the financial period ended 30 June 2000 for Platinum International Brands Fund and Platinum International Technology Fund.

### **Directors of the Responsible Entity**

The following persons were directors of the Platinum Asset Management during the whole of the financial year/period and up to the date of this report:

WKS Neilson  
AM Clifford  
RM Halstead

### **Principal Activities**

During the year/period, the registered schemes continued to invest funds in accordance with target asset allocations as set out in the current prospectus and in accordance with the provisions of the governing documents of the registered schemes, up to the date of registration of the registered schemes by ASIC, and in accordance with the Constitution of the Registered Schemes thereafter.

### **Significant Changes in the State of Affairs**

Under changes to the Corporations Law, as a result of the commencement of the Managed Investments Act (1998), Platinum Japan Fund, Platinum European Fund and Platinum International Fund were registered as managed investment schemes by the Australian Securities and Investment Commission on 11 October 1999.

On 20 April 2000 Platinum International Brands Fund and Platinum International Technology Fund were registered as managed investment schemes by the Australian Securities and Investment Commission. Both funds commenced operations on 18 May 2000.

### **Review of operations**

The registered schemes maintain their individual investment strategy in listed equities, unlisted equities, equity and index derivatives and currency contracts.

The investment policy of the registered schemes continues to be that detailed in the current prospectus and in accordance with the provisions of the governing documents of the registered schemes.

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## Results

The performance of the registered schemes as represented by the results of their operations for the financial year/period, were as follows:

	<b>Japan Fund</b>		<b>European Fund</b>		<b>International Fund</b>		<b>International Brands Fund</b>	<b>International Technology Fund</b>
	<b>2000</b>		<b>1999<sup>1</sup></b>		<b>2000</b>		<b>18 May to 30 June</b>	<b>18 May to 30 June</b>
	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2000</b>
Net Operating Income	23,254,595	1,780,759	1,813,971	(76,377)	15,706,028	1,833,488	(1,520)	(47,419)
Distribution paid and payable	25,647,585	2,002,150	1,751,518	4,183	20,122,389	5,540,183	-	-
Distribution (cents per unit)	CPU	CPU	CPU	CPU	CPU	CPU	CPU	CPU
	88.58	18.04	23.98	0.3	36.08	20.7	N/A	N/A

The capital growth for the registered schemes are as follows:

	<b>Japan Fund</b>	<b>European Fund</b>	<b>International Fund</b>	<b>International Brands Fund</b>	<b>International Technology Fund</b>
	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>		
Redemption Price – 30 June 1999 (cum-div)	1.8422	0.8757	1.4041	N/A	N/A
Redemption Price – 30 June 2000 (cum-div)	3.0702	1.6904	1.8177	0.9897	1.0462
Capital Growth	66.66%	93.03%	29.46%	N/A	N/A

## Matters Subsequent to the End of Financial Year

The directors of the responsible entity are not aware of any matter or circumstance that has occurred subsequent to the balance date that would require adjustments to, or disclosure within, the financial statements and reports for any of the abovementioned Registered Schemes.

## Likely Developments and Expected Results of Operations

Further information on likely developments in the operation of the Registered Schemes and the expected results of those operations have not been included in this report because the responsible entity believes it would be likely to result in a unreasonable prejudice to the Registered schemes.

<sup>1</sup> For the period 18 June 1998 to 30 June 1999

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#### **Indemnification and Insurance of Officers and Auditors**

No insurance premiums are paid for out of the assets of the registered schemes in regards to insurance cover provided to either the Manager, or the Auditor of the registered schemes. So long as the officers of the Responsible Entity act in accordance with the Trust constitution and the Law, they remain fully indemnified out of the assets of the registered schemes against any losses incurred while acting on behalf of the registered schemes. The Auditor of the registered schemes is in no way indemnified out of the assets of the registered schemes.

#### **Fees Paid to and Interests Held in the Registered Scheme**

Fees paid to the responsible entity and its associates out of registered schemes property during the year are disclosed in Note 13 to the financial statements.

No fees were paid out of Trust property to the directors of the responsible entity during the year. The number of interests in the registered schemes held by the responsible entity or its associates as at the end of the financial year are disclosed in Note 13, to the financial statements.

#### **Value of Assets**

	<b>Japan Fund</b>		<b>European Fund</b>		<b>International Fund</b>		<b>International Brands Fund</b>	<b>International Technology Fund</b>
	<b>2000</b>	<b>1999</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>1999</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>1999</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2000</b>
	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
Value of Registered Schemes Assets	77,845,111	17,564,812	12,786,546	1,300,405	89,327,554	33,038,467	1,901,580	2,541,658

The value of the registered schemes' assets is derived using the basis set out in Note 1 to the financial statements.

#### **Interests in the Registered Scheme**

The movement in units on issue in the registered schemes during the year has been disclosed in Note 7, to the financial statements.

#### **Environmental regulation**

The operations of the registered schemes are not subject to any particular or significant environmental regulations under a Commonwealth, State or Territory Law.

#### **Year 2000**

The work done prior to 31 December 1999 by the responsible entity on the year 2000 issue meant that no major problems which affected the registered schemes were encountered in the changeover from 1999 to 2000.

This report is made in accordance with a resolution of the directors.

Malcolm Halstead  
 Director

Sydney  
 9 August 2000

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## Statements of Financial Performance and Distribution

For the year ended 30 June 2000#

	Japan Fund		European Fund		International Fund		International Brands Fund	International Technology Fund
	18 June 1998 to 30 June 1999		18 June 1998 to 30 June 1999				18 May 2000 to 30 June 2000	18 May 2000 to 30 June 2000
	2000	1999	2000	1999	2000	1999	2000	2000
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
<b>Statement of financial performance</b>								
<b>Investment income</b>								
Dividends	357,998	36,521	136,251	15,581	611,794	441,519	761	-
Interest	165,966	8,169	7,028	1,205	340,752	80,246	1,626	665
Net realised gains on sale of equities/derivatives	20,510,882	1,669,820	1,836,638	(70,998)	18,057,261	3,292,733	-	(60,980)
Net realised gains/(losses) on futures	2,558,617	(65,909)	(31,696)	-	(287,566)	(1,682,320)	-	-
Net realised foreign exchange gains/(losses) on hedging transactions	347,131	129,054	(61,381)	(21,008)	(2,593,019)	169,971	2,592	3,400
Net unrealised gains/(losses) on revaluation of monetary assets	276,768	94,236	8,509	12,531	311,876	450,751	(2,699)	15,140
Investment write down	-	-	-	-	309,188	(391,188)	-	-
<b>Total investment income</b>	<b>24,217,362</b>	<b>1,871,891</b>	<b>1,895,349</b>	<b>(62,689)</b>	<b>16,750,286</b>	<b>2,361,712</b>	<b>2,280</b>	<b>(41,775)</b>
<b>Expenses</b>								
Management fees	767,144	47,232	26,678	36	825,000	369,067	-	-
Trustee fees	3,391	2,312	182	333	5,027	13,712	-	-
Custodian fees	110,869	17,981	22,453	11,319	145,210	90,171	1,200	2,073
Auditor's remuneration	19,306	18,667	18,051	-	21,604	27,130	-	-
Unit registry fees	24,926	4,940	13,707	2,000	19,460	18,492	-	-
Other	37,131	-	307	-	27,957	9,652	2,600	3,571
<b>Total expenses</b>	<b>962,767</b>	<b>91,132</b>	<b>81,378</b>	<b>13,688</b>	<b>1,044,258</b>	<b>528,224</b>	<b>3,800</b>	<b>5,644</b>
<b>Net operating income</b>	<b>23,254,595</b>	<b>1,780,759</b>	<b>1,813,971</b>	<b>(76,377)</b>	<b>15,706,028</b>	<b>1,833,488</b>	<b>(1,520)</b>	<b>(47,419)</b>
<b>Statement of distribution</b>								
Accumulated losses brought forward	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Amounts transferred from/(to) reserves	12 2,392,990	221,391	(62,453)	80,560	4,416,361	3,706,695	1,520	47,419
Distribution paid and payable to unitholders	8 (25,647,585)	(2,002,150)	(1,751,518)	(4,183)	(20,122,389)	(5,540,183)	-	-
<b>Accumulated profits/(losses)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>

The above statements of financial performance and distribution should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

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## Statements of Financial Position

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	Notes	Japan Fund		European Fund		International Fund		International Brands Fund	International Technology Fund
		30 June 2000	30 June 1999	30 June 2000	30 June 1999	30 June 2000	30 June 1999	30 June 2000	30 June 2000
		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
<b>Assets</b>									
<b>Investments</b>	6	68,952,545	15,913,128	11,531,107	1,243,166	84,999,088	31,060,783	1,800,255	2,420,637
<b>Receivables</b>	9	8,892,566	1,651,684	1,255,439	57,239	4,328,466	1,977,684	101,325	121,021
<b>Total Assets</b>		<u>77,845,111</u>	<u>17,564,812</u>	<u>12,786,546</u>	<u>1,300,405</u>	<u>89,327,554</u>	<u>33,038,467</u>	<u>1,901,580</u>	<u>2,541,658</u>
<b>Liabilities</b>									
<b>Other Liabilities</b>									
Unitholders' distribution payable	8	25,647,585	2,002,150	1,751,518	4,183	20,122,389	5,540,183	-	-
Creditors and accrued expenses	10	708,773	271,474	1,589,186	46,776	1,434,076	1,568,757	102,564	152,340
<b>Total Liabilities</b>		<u>26,356,358</u>	<u>2,273,624</u>	<u>3,340,704</u>	<u>50,959</u>	<u>21,556,465</u>	<u>7,108,940</u>	<u>102,564</u>	<u>152,340</u>
<b>Net Assets</b>		<u>51,488,753</u>	<u>15,291,188</u>	<u>9,445,842</u>	<u>1,249,446</u>	<u>67,771,089</u>	<u>25,929,527</u>	<u>1,799,016</u>	<u>2,389,318</u>
<b>Unitholders' Equity</b>									
Unitholders' Funds	7	54,103,135	15,512,579	9,463,949	1,330,006	76,287,626	30,029,703	1,800,536	2,436,737
Reserves	12	(2,614,382)	(221,391)	(18,107)	(80,560)	(8,516,537)	(4,100,176)	(1,520)	(47,419)
Accumulated profits/(losses)		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total Unitholders' Equity</b>		<u>51,488,753</u>	<u>15,291,188</u>	<u>9,445,842</u>	<u>1,249,446</u>	<u>67,771,089</u>	<u>25,929,527</u>	<u>1,799,016</u>	<u>2,389,318</u>

The above statements of financial position should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

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## Statements of Cash Flows

For the year ended 30 June 2000#

	Japan Fund		European Fund		International Fund		International Brands Fund	International Technology Fund
	18 June 1998 to 30 June 1999		18 June 1998 to 30 June 1999				18 May 2000 to 30 June 2000	18 May 2000 to 30 June 2000
	2000	1999	2000	1999	2000	1999	2000	2000
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
<b>Cash Flows from Operating Activities</b>								
Interest received	148,899	7,225	5,538	1,205	302,353	88,817	393	665
Dividends received	345,977	31,504	133,991	11,660	601,877	469,432	761	-
Registered scheme's fees paid	(764,705)	(54,658)	(59,518)	(16,229)	(936,327)	(538,297)	-	15,975
Other expenses paid	(293,073)	-	(12,221)	-	(43,863)	-	-	-
Cash paid for purchase of investments	(129,338,510)	(22,109,521)	(12,150,427)	(2,892,908)	(93,394,399)	(40,308,615)	(605,690)	(2,725,397)
Cash proceeds from sale of investments	103,451,545	8,239,716	6,464,939	1,570,166	72,250,477	40,299,757	1,070	960,760
<b>Net cash inflow/(outflow) from operating activities (Note 15 (c))</b>	<b>(26,449,867)</b>	<b>(13,885,734)</b>	<b>(5,617,698)</b>	<b>(1,326,106)</b>	<b>(21,219,882)</b>	<b>11,094</b>	<b>(603,466)</b>	<b>(1,747,997)</b>
<b>Cash Flows from Financing Activities</b>								
Proceeds received from units issued	48,835,529	16,894,219	8,336,481	1,330,006	56,584,497	11,821,014	1,800,536	2,436,737
Cash paid for units redeemed	(10,244,973)	(1,182,640)	(202,538)	-	(10,326,571)	(8,467,496)	-	-
Distributions paid	(2,002,150)	-	(4,183)	-	(5,540,183)	(4,271,219)	-	-
<b>Net cash inflow/(outflow) from financing activities</b>	<b>36,588,406</b>	<b>15,711,579</b>	<b>8,129,760</b>	<b>1,330,006</b>	<b>40,717,743</b>	<b>(917,701)</b>	<b>1,800,536</b>	<b>2,436,737</b>
<b>Net Increase/(Decrease) in Cash Held</b>	<b>10,138,539</b>	<b>1,825,845</b>	<b>2,512,062</b>	<b>3,900</b>	<b>19,497,861</b>	<b>(906,607)</b>	<b>1,197,070</b>	<b>688,740</b>
Cash at beginning of the financial year	1,816,136	-	6,080	-	3,516,175	4,466,863	-	-
Effects of exchange rate changes on cash	182,532	(9,709)	(4,022)	2,180	(138,875)	(44,081)	(2,699)	15,140
<b>Cash at the End of the Financial Year (Note 15(a))</b>	<b>12,137,207</b>	<b>1,816,136</b>	<b>2,514,120</b>	<b>6,080</b>	<b>22,875,161</b>	<b>3,516,175</b>	<b>1,194,371</b>	<b>703,880</b>

The above statements of cashflow should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

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## **Notes to the Financial Statements**

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### **Note 1 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

**(a) Basis of Accounting**

These general purpose accounts have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Registered Schemes' Constitution, Accounting Standards, other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board, Urgent Issues Group Consensus Views and the Corporations Law in Australia. It is prepared in accordance with the historical cost convention, except for certain assets which, as noted, are at valuation. The accounting policies are consistent with those of the previous year. Comparative information is reclassified where appropriate to enhance comparability.

**(b) Investments**

Investments are stated at cost. Where in the opinion of the Responsible Entity, there has been a permanent diminution in the value of an investment, the carrying value of the investment is written down to its recoverable value. Realised gains and losses on disposal of investments are determined by reference to original cost and recorded in the Statement of Financial Performance and Distribution. Realised and unrealised gains and losses on market value adjustments on monetary items are reflected in the Statement of Financial Performance and Distribution.

*(i) Currency Hedges*

Forward foreign exchange contracts, including options on forward contracts, are entered into, in the normal course of investing internationally, as a hedge against the currency risks associated with investments. Contracts open at balance date are accounted for as foreign currency monetary assets and liabilities. Realised and unrealised gains or losses are brought to account as they arise in determining the Net Operating Income for the year. These gains and losses are measured by reference to movements in the forward exchange rates for the relevant currencies. Currency positions are disclosed in note 11.

*(ii) Derivatives*

All derivative transactions – futures, options – are for risk management purposes; that is to protect the investment portfolio from either being invested or uninvested. All such contracts are primarily for the purpose of portfolio protection and are aimed at decreasing the level of market risk in the portfolio. All derivatives are valued at cost. Where, in the opinion of the manager, there has been a permanent diminution in the value of a derivative, the carrying amount of such a derivative is written down to its recoverable amount. Derivative positions are disclosed in note 11.

**(c) Investment Income and Expenses**

Investment income and expenses are brought to account on an accruals basis. Dividend income is brought to account as income on the ex-date applicable to each investment. Changes in the net market value of financial assets and liabilities are recognised as revenues or expenses in the Statement of Financial Performance and Distribution in the year in which the changes occur.

**(d) Cash**

Cash and cash equivalents include deposits held at call with a bank or financial institution and highly liquid investments which are readily convertible to cash on hand at the Responsible Entity's option and which the Responsible Entity uses in its day-to-day management of the registered schemes' cash requirements.

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**(e) Income Tax**

Under current legislation the registered schemes are not subject to income tax as the taxable income (including assessable realised gains) is distributed in full to the unitholders.

**(f) Distributions**

In accordance with the each Registered Schemes' Constitution, each registered scheme fully distributes its distributable income to unitholders by cash or reinvestment. Distributable income is determined by reference to the taxable income of the registered scheme. The distributions are paid at the end of June each year.

**(g) Transfers To/From Unitholders' Funds**

Non-distributable income is transferred directly to unitholders' funds and may consist of unrealised changes in the net market value of investments, accrued income not yet assessable, expenses provided or accrued for which are not yet deductible, net capital losses and tax free or tax deferred income. Net capital gains on the realisation of any investments (including any adjustments for tax deferred income previously taken directly to unitholders' funds) and accrued income not yet assessable will be included in the determination of distributable income in the same year in which it becomes assessable for tax.

**(h) Foreign Currency Transactions**

Transactions denominated in foreign currencies are translated into Australian currency at the rates of exchange ruling on the date of the transaction. All realised exchange gains and losses are taken to account in the period in which they arise.

Foreign currency assets and liabilities existing at balance date are translated at the rate current at balance date.

**(i) Receivables**

Receivables may include amounts for dividends, interest and securities sold where settlement has not yet occurred. Dividends are accrued when the right to receive payment is established. Interest is accrued at the reporting date from the last time of payment.

**(j) Accounts Payable**

These amounts represent liabilities for amounts owing by each of the registered schemes at year end which are unpaid. The amounts are secured and are usually paid within 30 days of recognition.

**(k) Application and Redemptions**

Application received for units in the Registered Schemes are recorded net of any entry fees payable prior to the issue of units in the registered schemes. Redemptions from the Registered Schemes are recorded gross of any exist fees payable after the cancellation of units redeemed. Unit redemption prices are determined by reference to the net assets of the Registered Scheme divided by the number of units on issue at or immediately prior to close of business each day. Issues and redemptions of units are processed simultaneously.

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### Note 2 Management Expense Ratio

The MER calculation includes fees charged to the registered schemes during the financial year, including those charged by the Responsible Entity directly for the management of the assets, plus overseas investment manager and custodial fees.

Expenses excluded from the MER calculation are those that would have ordinarily been incurred by a direct investor in the underlying assets of the registered scheme, such as brokerage, transaction costs and government taxes.

	Japan Fund		European Fund		International Fund		International Brands Fund	International Technology Fund
	18 June 1998 to 30 June 2000		18 June 1998 to 30 June 1999		2000 1999		for the period 18 May 2000 to 30 June 2000	for the period 18 May 2000 to 30 June 2000
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
<b>Crediting:</b>								
MER related expenses incurred directly	929,574	91,132	81,378	13,688	1,025,764	518,572	3,800	4,716
Total MER related expenses	929,574	91,132	81,378	13,688	1,025,764	518,572	3,800	4,716
Average unitholders' funds #	62,119,246	6,246,275	5,425,699	934,385	68,444,728	34,604,093	1,518,603	1,905,255
MER	1.50%	1.46%	1.50%	1.46%	1.50%	1.50%	0.25%	0.25%

# The average unitholders' funds used to calculate the MER is the average net assets of the registered scheme, which is calculated on a monthly basis.

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### Note 3 Interest Revenue

	Japan Fund		European Fund		International Fund		International Brands Fund	International Technology Fund
	30 June 2000	For the period 18 June 1998 to 30 June 1999	30 June 2000	For the period 18 June 1998 to 30 June 1999	30 June 2000	30 June 1999	For the period 18 May 2000 to 30 June 2000	For the period 18 May 2000 to 30 June 2000
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Cash and deposits	165,996	8,169	7,028	1,205	340,752	80,246	1,626	665

### Note 4 Auditor's Remuneration

	Japan Fund		European Fund		International Fund		International Brands Fund	International Technology Fund
	30 June 2000	30 June 1999	30 June 2000	30 June 1999	30 June 2000	30 June 1999	30 June 2000	30 June 2000
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Auditing the financial report	16,950	4,400	9,750	-	16,950	4,400	5,000	5,000
Other services	9,000	14,267	9,000	-	9,000	22,730	9,000	9,000
	25,950	18,667	18,750	-	25,950	27,130	14,000	14,000

The difference between the auditor's remuneration noted above and the auditor's remuneration on the Statement of Financial Performance and Distribution has been paid by the Responsible Entity, Platinum Asset Management Trust.

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### Note 5 Taxation

Under current legislation the individual registered schemes are not subject to income tax as the taxable income (including assessable realised capital gains) is distributed in full to the unitholders.

### Note 6 Investments

	Japan Fund		European Fund		International Fund		International Brands Fund	International Technology Fund
	30 June 2000	30 June 1999	30 June 2000	30 June 1999	30 June 2000	30 June 1999	30 June 2000	30 June 2000
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Cash and cash equivalents	12,137,207	1,816,136	2,514,120	6,080	22,875,161	3,516,175	1,194,371	703,880
Listed securities (cost/carrying value)	56,434,445	13,988,515	9,016,987	1,224,187	61,861,280	27,474,800	605,884	1,697,420
Less: securities written down to net fair value	-	-	-	-	(82,000)	(391,188)	-	-
Currency hedges (at net fair value)	380,893	108,477	-	12,899	344,647	460,996	-	19,337
	<u>68,952,545</u>	<u>15,913,128</u>	<u>11,531,107</u>	<u>1,243,166</u>	<u>84,999,088</u>	<u>31,060,783</u>	<u>1,800,255</u>	<u>2,420,637</u>
Net fair value of listed securities	<u>68,273,784</u>	<u>17,343,211</u>	<u>10,136,204</u>	<u>1,189,516</u>	<u>74,919,378</u>	<u>33,902,092</u>	<u>587,784</u>	<u>1,805,595</u>

Investments are stated at cost. Where a decrease in the value of an investment below cost is considered permanent, such investments are stated at their lower market value (refer Note 1(b)).

Exchange traded investments' net fair value is determined from the quoted market price less an estimate for realisation costs. Unlisted investments, including monetary items, net fair value is determined from alternative pricing sources in 'over the counter' markets or by managers' valuation, less an estimate for realisation costs.

Certain investments noted below, which are carried at cost value have a lower net fair value. Investment markets are in a continuous state of flux, changing the net fair value of the company's investments, sometimes to below original cost. The company is a long term investor and short term fluctuations in the net fair value of investments are not taken to account, other than if they represent a permanent diminution in value (refer to Note 1(b)).

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**Note 6 Investments (cont)**

	Cost \$	Net Fair Value \$
Japan Fund	23,475,297	19,962,454
European Fund	2,002,769	1,780,814
International Fund	23,098,220	18,941,251
International Brands Fund	372,710	361,301
International Technology Fund	758,045	698,365

**Note 7 Unitholders' Funds**

	Japan Fund		European Fund		International Fund		International Brands Fund	International Technology Fund
	30 June 2000 \$	30 June 1999 \$	30 June 2000 \$	30 June 1999 \$	30 June 2000 \$	30 June 1999 \$	30 June 2000 \$	30 June 2000 \$
Unitholders' funds at the start of the period	15,512,579	-	1,330,006	-	30,029,703	26,676,185	-	-
Applications during the period	48,835,529	16,695,219	8,336,481	1,330,006	56,584,494	11,821,014	1,800,536	2,436,737
Redemptions during the period	(10,244,973)	(1,182,640)	(202,538)	-	(10,326,571)	(8,467,496)	-	-
Unitholders' funds at the end of the period	<u>54,103,135</u>	<u>15,512,579</u>	<u>9,463,949</u>	<u>1,330,006</u>	<u>76,287,626</u>	<u>30,029,703</u>	<u>1,800,536</u>	<u>2,436,737</u>
Number of units on issue at the start of the period	11,097,873	-	1,385,024	-	26,704,437	23,946,032	-	-
Number of units issued during the period	21,715,599	11,967,220	6,045,896	1,385,024	35,897,638	9,375,334	1,796,483	2,384,410
Number of units redeemed during the period	(3,860,888)	(869,347)	(125,989)	-	(6,826,469)	(6,616,929)	-	-
Number of units on issue at the end of the period	<u>28,952,584</u>	<u>11,097,873</u>	<u>7,304,931</u>	<u>1,385,024</u>	<u>55,775,606</u>	<u>26,704,437</u>	<u>1,796,483</u>	<u>2,384,410</u>

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### Note 8 Distributions Paid and Payable

	Japan Fund		European Fund		International Fund		International Brands Fund	International Technology Fund
	30 June 2000	18 June 1998 to 30 June 1999	30 June 2000	18 June 1998 to 30 June 1999	30 June 2000	30 June 1999	30 June 2000	30 June 2000
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$

#### a) Timing of distributions

The distributions were paid/payable as follows:

30 June 2000 final payable	25,647,585	2,002,150	1,751,518	4,183	20,122,389	5,540,183	-	-
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### Note 9 Receivables

	Japan Fund		European Fund		International Fund		International Brands Fund	International Technology Fund
	30 June 2000	30 June 1999	30 June 2000	30 June 1999	30 June 2000	30 June 1999	30 June 2000	30 June 2000
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Dividends receivable	17,038	5,017	5,056	2,797	35,430	53,413	-	-
Unsettled trades	8,857,517	1,645,723	1,239,473	50,242	4,194,918	1,892,452	100,092	121,021
Interest receivable	18,011	944	1,490	-	38,733	334	1,233	-
Dividend tax refund receivable	-	-	9,420	1,124	59,385	31,485	-	-
Other receivables	-	-	-	3,076	-	-	-	-
	8,892,566	1,651,684	1,255,439	57,239	4,328,466	1,977,684	101,325	121,021

Proceeds on sale of investments are usually received between 2 and 5 days after trade date. Interest is usually received within 3 days of becoming due and receivable and dividends are usually received within approximately 30 days of the ex-dividend date.

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**Note 10 Creditors and Accrued Expenses**

	Japan Fund		European Fund		International Fund		International Brands Fund	International Technology Fund
	30 June 2000	30 June 1999	30 June 2000	30 June 1999	30 June 2000	30 June 1999	30 June 2000	30 June 2000
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Unsettled trades	532,310	-	1,572,994	46,241	1,308,054	1,503,173	98,764	130,721
Accrued expenses	176,463	271,474	16,192	535	126,022	65,584	3,800	21,619
	<u>708,773</u>	<u>271,474</u>	<u>1,589,186</u>	<u>46,776</u>	<u>1,434,076</u>	<u>1,568,757</u>	<u>102,564</u>	<u>152,340</u>

Payables on purchase of investments are usually paid between 2 and 5 days after trade date.



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### **Note 11 Financial Instruments (cont)**

The registered schemes use exchange traded and over the counter options where the maximum potential loss is paid up-front by way of a premium. There is little credit risk attached to these instruments as they are traded on recognised exchanges or with high credit rating counterparties.

#### **(b) Credit Risk**

##### *On-Balance Sheet Financial Instruments*

The credit risk on financial assets of the Registered Schemes which have been recognised in the Statement of Financial Performance and Distribution, other than investments in equities and unlisted unit trusts, is generally the carrying amount.

##### *Off-Balance Sheet Financial Instruments*

For off-balance sheet financial instruments, including derivatives, which are deliverable, credit risk arises from the potential failure of counterparties to meet their obligations under the respective contracts at maturity.

The Registered Schemes are exposed to credit-related losses in the event of non-performance by counterparties to financial instruments, but it does not expect any counterparties to fail to meet their obligations given their high credit ratings. Where appropriate the Registered Schemes utilise master netting agreements.

**Note 11 Financial Instruments (cont)**

**(c) Foreign Exchange Risk**

The international investment activities of the Fund expose it to currency risk – the possibility of losing money owing to changes in foreign currency exchange rates – and manage this through forward currency hedging contracts.

Currency exposure at market value:

**Platinum Japan Fund**

<b>2000</b>	<b>Physical \$'000</b>	<b>Bought \$'000</b>	<b>Sold \$'000</b>	<b>Net exposure \$'000</b>
Japan	59,307,884	49,094,631	(76,975,486)	31,427,029
Other Asia	15,718,711	-	(21,472,598)	(5,753,887)
Australia	3,672,971	17,300,000	(800,000)	20,172,971
Europe	-	59,675,486	(19,071,728)	40,603,758
America	1,848,265	22,272,598	(30,022,903)	(5,902,040)
Total market value of portfolio	<u>80,547,831</u>	<u>148,342,715</u>	<u>(148,342,715)</u>	<u>80,547,831</u>

<b>1999</b>	<b>Physical \$'000</b>	<b>Bought \$'000</b>	<b>Sold \$'000</b>	<b>Net exposure \$'000</b>
Japan	14,311,422	11,015,775	(17,237,697)	8,089,500
Other Asia	3,192,761	-	-	3,192,761
Australia	771,938	6,770,000	-	7,541,938
America	926,693	11,217,697	(11,765,775)	378,615
Total market value of portfolio	<u>19,202,814</u>	<u>29,003,472</u>	<u>(29,003,472)</u>	<u>19,202,814</u>

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**Note 11 Financial Instruments (cont)**

**Platinum European Fund**

<b>2000</b>	<b>Physical \$'000</b>	<b>Bought \$'000</b>	<b>Sold \$'000</b>	<b>Net exposure \$'000</b>
Australia	1,243,046	-	-	1,243,046
Europe	11,372,000	-	-	11,372,000
America	61,280	-	-	61,280
Total net fair value of portfolio	<u>12,676,326</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>12,676,326</u>

<b>1999</b>	<b>Physical \$'000</b>	<b>Bought \$'000</b>	<b>Sold \$'000</b>	<b>Net exposure \$'000</b>
Australia	70	450,000	-	450,070
Europe	1,142,287	285,313	(735,313)	692,287
America	50,140	-	-	50,140
Total net fair value of portfolio	<u>1,192,497</u>	<u>735,313</u>	<u>(735,313)</u>	<u>1,192,497</u>

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**Platinum International Fund**

<b>2000</b>	<b>Physical \$'000</b>	<b>Bought \$'000</b>	<b>Sold \$'000</b>	<b>Net exposure \$'000</b>
Japan	30,852,108	-	(29,476,254)	1,375,854
Other Asia	7,299,688	-	(12,413,846)	(5,114,158)
Australia	15,185,427	26,410,000	-	41,595,427
Europe	27,136,077	18,302,658	-	45,438,735
America	17,572,475	13,427,442	(16,250,000)	14,749,917
Total net fair value of portfolio	<u>98,045,775</u>	<u>58,140,100</u>	<u>(58,140,100)</u>	<u>98,045,775</u>

<b>1999</b>	<b>Physical \$'000</b>	<b>Bought \$'000</b>	<b>Sold \$'000</b>	<b>Net exposure \$'000</b>
Japan	15,839	6,848	(22,169)	518
Other Asia	3,154	-	-	3,154
Australia	1,359	20,360	-	21,719
Europe	11,347	-	(7,007)	4,340
America	5,760	21,226	(19,258)	7,728
Total net fair value of portfolio	<u>37,459</u>	<u>48,434</u>	<u>(48,434)</u>	<u>37,459</u>

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### Note 11 Financial Instruments (cont)

#### Platinum International Brands Fund

2000	Physical \$'000	Bought \$'000	Sold \$'000	Net exposure \$'000
Japan	67,384	-	-	67,384
Australia	1,070,509	-	-	1,070,509
Europe	560,713	-	-	560,713
America	85,021	-	-	85,021
Total market value of portfolio	<u>1,783,627</u>	-	-	<u>1,783,627</u>

#### Platinum International Technology Fund

2000	Physical \$'000	Bought \$'000	Sold \$'000	Net exposure \$'000
Japan	379,741	-	-	379,741
Australia	306,323	470,000	-	776,323
Europe	479,137	-	-	479,137
America	1,349,849	-	(470,000)	879,849
Total net fair value of portfolio	<u>2,515,050</u>	<u>470,000</u>	<u>(470,000)</u>	<u>2,515,050</u>

The above tables categorises the investments in the Portfolio into the currencies that the securities are issued in. For example, a security issued by a Japanese company in US\$ will be categorised as a US\$ exposure. Forward foreign currency contracts and options on forward currency contracts are adjusted against the "physical" column to arrive at a net exposure to each currency grouping.

The Registered Scheme generally utilise short dated (90 day maturities) currency agreements with high credit rating counterparties.

The existing currency hedging positions' maturity dates ranges from 15 to 49 days.

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**(d) Interest Rate Risk**

The Registered Schemes are exposed to interest rate risks – the possibility of losing money owing to changes in interest rates and, more particularly for the Registered Schemes, the effect that changes in interest rates have on currency and stock market prices – and manages these as noted above for currency and market risks.

The Registered Schemes have no fixed interest investments, or derivatives thereon, at balance date.

Refer to note 11(a) for information on short term interest rates.

**(e) Market Risk**

The investment activities of the Registered Schemes expose them to market risk – the possibility of losing money owing to changes in the market prices of its investments – and manage this risk through derivative hedging contracts.

**(f) Liquidity Risk**

The Registered Schemes are exposed to liquidity risks – the possibility of being unable to obtain the fair market value of an asset or derivative owing to prevailing market conditions – and manages this risk by using derivatives in liquid markets and managing exposure to assets in illiquid markets; although it should be noted that even the most liquid markets can become illiquid in times of severe downward price corrections.

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### Note 12 Reserves

	Japan Fund		European Fund		International Fund		International Brands Fund	International Technology Fund
	30 June 2000	30 June 1999	30 June 2000	30 June 1999	30 June 2000	30 June 1999	30 June 2000	30 June 2000
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
<b>Foreign Currency Reserve</b>								
Balance at beginning of the period	94,236	-	12,531	-	450,751	301,471	-	-
Amounts transferred from/to the profit and loss account	182,532	94,236	(4,022)	12,531	(138,875)	149,280	(2,699)	15,140
	<u>276,768</u>	<u>94,236</u>	<u>8,509</u>	<u>12,531</u>	<u>311,876</u>	<u>450,751</u>	<u>(2,699)</u>	<u>15,140</u>
<b>Tax Equalisation Reserve</b>								
Balance at beginning of the period	(315,627)	-	(93,091)	-	(4,550,927)	(694,952)	-	-
Amounts transferred to/from the profit and loss account	(2,575,523)	(315,627)	66,475	(93,091)	(4,277,486)	(3,855,975)	1,179	(62,559)
	<u>(2,891,150)</u>	<u>(315,627)</u>	<u>(26,616)</u>	<u>(93,091)</u>	<u>(8,828,413)</u>	<u>(4,550,927)</u>	<u>1,179</u>	<u>(62,559)</u>
	<u>(2,614,382)</u>	<u>(221,391)</u>	<u>(18,107)</u>	<u>(80,560)</u>	<u>(8,516,537)</u>	<u>(4,100,176)</u>	<u>(1,520)</u>	<u>(47,419)</u>

### Note 13 Related Parties

State Street Australia Limited is the Custodian of the Registered Schemes. They receive fees for their services which are calculated in accordance with the Trust Constitution and disclosed in the Statement of Financial Performance and Distribution.

Platinum Asset Management is the Responsible Entity of the Registered Schemes established under the Platinum Trust Deed.

The persons holding positions as directors of Platinum Asset Management during the financial year/period were as follows:

William Kerr Neilson  
 Andrew McRae Clifford  
 Roger Malcolm Halstead

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**Note 14 Segment Information**

**Industry Segment**

The registered schemes operate solely in the financial investment industry.

**Geographical Segments**

The registered schemes operate in Australia and hold investments in the following geographical segments.

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**Platinum Japan Fund**

**Geographical Segment Income**

Unallocated expenses

	<b>Japan</b>	<b>Other Asia</b>	<b>America</b>	<b>Australia</b>	<b>Total</b>
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
	13,473,680	10,248,341	431,421	63,920	24,217,362
	-	-	-	-	(962,767)
	<u>13,473,680</u>	<u>10,248,341</u>	<u>431,421</u>	<u>63,920</u>	<u>23,254,595</u>

**Geographical Segment Assets**

Total segment assets

	<u>56,097,248</u>	<u>16,973,554</u>	<u>1,083,326</u>	<u>3,690,983</u>	<u>77,845,111</u>
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**18 June 1998 to 30 June 1999**

**Platinum Japan Fund**

**Geographical Segment Income**

Investment income

Unallocated expenses

	1,297,790	392,848	38,046	143,707	1,871,891
	-	-	-	-	(91,132)
	<u>1,297,790</u>	<u>392,848</u>	<u>38,046</u>	<u>143,707</u>	<u>1,780,759</u>

**Geographical Segment Assets**

Total segment assets

	<u>13,566,440</u>	<u>2,298,797</u>	<u>926,693</u>	<u>772,882</u>	<u>17,564,812</u>
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**30 June 2000**

**Platinum European Fund**

**Geographical Segment Income**

Investment income

Unallocated expenses

	<b>Europe</b>	<b>America</b>	<b>Australia</b>	<b>Total</b>
	\$	\$	\$	\$
	1,887,212	1,506	6,631	1,895,349
	-	-	-	(81,378)
	<u>1,887,212</u>	<u>1,506</u>	<u>6,631</u>	<u>1,813,971</u>

**Geographical Segment Assets**

Total segment assets

	<u>11,476,938</u>	<u>57,439</u>	<u>1,252,169</u>	<u>12,786,546</u>
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**18 June 1998 to 30 June 1999**

**Platinum European Fund**

**Geographical Segment Income**

Investment income

Unallocated expenses

	(61,823)	8	(874)	(62,689)
	-	-	-	(13,688)
	<u>(61,823)</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>(874)</u>	<u>(76,377)</u>

**Geographical Segment Assets**

Total segment assets

	<u>1,242,819</u>	<u>57,516</u>	<u>70</u>	<u>1,300,405</u>
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**Platinum International Fund**

**Geographical Segment Income**

	<b>Japan</b>	<b>Other Asia</b>	<b>Europe</b>	<b>America</b>	<b>Australia</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
Investment income	6,162,154	3,409,079	3,817,682	2,651,577	709,794	16,750,286
Unallocated expenses	-	-	-	-	-	(1,044,258)
	<u>6,162,154</u>	<u>3,409,079</u>	<u>3,817,682</u>	<u>2,651,577</u>	<u>709,794</u>	<u>15,706,028</u>

**Geographical Segment Assets**

Total segment assets	<u>22,718,795</u>	<u>7,870,947</u>	<u>23,548,813</u>	<u>16,366,623</u>	<u>18,822,376</u>	<u>89,327,554</u>
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**30 June 1999**

**Platinum International Fund**

**Geographical Segment Income**

Investment income	546,867	180,285	954,298	527,266	152,996	2,361,712
Unallocated expenses	-	-	-	-	-	(528,224)
	<u>546,867</u>	<u>180,285</u>	<u>954,298</u>	<u>527,266</u>	<u>152,996</u>	<u>1,833,488</u>

**Geographical Segment Assets**

Total segment assets	<u>11,617,342</u>	<u>1,692,126</u>	<u>12,636,260</u>	<u>6,077,352</u>	<u>1,406,575</u>	<u>33,038,467</u>
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**18 May 2000 to 30 June 2000**

**Platinum International Brands Fund**

**Geographical Segment Income**

	<b>Japan</b>	<b>Europe</b>	<b>America</b>	<b>Australia</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
Investment income	80	826	(188)	1,562	2,280
Unallocated expenses	-	-	-	-	(3,800)
	<u>80</u>	<u>826</u>	<u>(188)</u>	<u>1,562</u>	<u>(1,520)</u>

**Geographical Segment Assets**

Total segment assets	<u>63,840</u>	<u>675,010</u>	<u>85,772</u>	<u>1,076,958</u>	<u>1,901,580</u>
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**18 May 2000 to 30 June 2000**

**Platinum International Technology Fund**

**Geographical Segment Income**

Investment income	(878)	(12,264)	(28,873)	240	(41,775)
Unallocated expenses	-	-	-	-	(5,644)
	<u>(878)</u>	<u>(12,264)</u>	<u>(28,873)</u>	<u>240</u>	<u>(47,419)</u>

**Geographical Segment Assets**

Total segment assets	<u>440,343</u>	<u>445,560</u>	<u>1,348,138</u>	<u>307,617</u>	<u>2,541,658</u>
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### Note 15 Reconciliation of net Operating Income to Net Cash Inflow from Operating Activities

#### (a) Reconciliation of Cash

For the purposes of the Statement of Cash Flows, cash includes deposits at call, cash at bank and forex contracts. Cash at the end of the period, as shown in the Statement of Cash Flows, is reconciled to the related items in the Balance Sheet as follows:

	Japan Fund		European Fund		International Fund		International Brands Fund	International Technology Fund
	30 June 2000	30 June 1999	30 June 2000	30 June 1999	30 June 2000	30 June 1999	30 June 2000	30 June 2000
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Cash and cash equivalents (refer note 6)	12,137,207	1,816,136	2,514,120	6,080	22,875,161	3,516,175	1,194,371	703,880

The registered schemes maintain bank accounts at various locations throughout the world to enable the settlement of purchases and sales of investments and to conduct other normal banking transactions. All accounts are at call and the majority bear floating interest rates in the range of 2.25% to 3.50%.

International and Australian deposits at call bear floating interest rates in the range of 0.50% to 5.00%.

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**(b) Non Cash Financing and Investing Activities**

	Japan Fund		European Fund		International Fund		International Brands Fund	International Technology Fund
	30 June 2000	30 June 1999	30 June 2000	30 June 1999	30 June 2000	30 June 1999	30 June 2000	30 June 2000
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
During the year, the following distribution payments were satisfied by the issue of units under the distribution reinvestment plan	2,002,150	-	4,183	-	5,540,183	-	-	-

Platinum Japan Fund  
Platinum European Fund  
Platinum International Fund  
Platinum International Brands Fund\*  
Platinum International Technology Fund\*

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### (c) Reconciliation of Net Cash from Operating Activities to Operating Profit

	Japan Fund		European Fund		International Fund		International Brands Fund	International Technology Fund
	30 June 2000 \$	30 June 1999 \$	30 June 2000 \$	30 June 1999 \$	30 June 2000 \$	30 June 1999 \$	30 June 2000 \$	30 June 2000 \$
Operating profit	23,254,595	1,780,759	1,813,971	(76,377)	15,706,028	1,833,488	(1,520)	(47,419)
(Increase)/decrease in investments	(42,718,347)	(14,295,992)	(7,779,901)	(1,237,086)	(34,270,131)	(1,270,241)	(605,884)	(1,716,757)
(Increase)/decrease in settlements receivable	(7,211,794)	(1,645,723)	(1,189,231)	(50,242)	(2,302,466)	(1,327,656)	(100,090)	(121,021)
Increase/(decrease) in settlements payable	532,310	-	1,526,753	46,241	(195,120)	299,739	98,766	130,721
(Increase)/decrease in exchange rates	(182,532)	9,709	4,022	(2,180)	138,875	44,081	2,699	(15,140)
(Increase)/decrease in dividends receivable	(12,021)	(5,017)	(2,259)	(3,921)	(9,918)	41,997	-	-
(Increase)/decrease in interest receivable	(17,067)	(944)	(1,490)		(38,399)	8,571	(1,235)	-
(Decrease)/increase in accrued expenses	(95,011)	271,474	15,657	535	60,438	(10,073)	3,800	21,619
Investment writedown	-	-	-	-	(309,189)	391,188	-	-
Other	-	-	(5,220)	(3,076)	-	-	-	-
Cash Flows from operating activities	(26,449,867)	(13,885,734)	(5,617,698)	(1,326,106)	(21,219,882)	11,094	(603,464)	(1,747,997)

### Note 16 Events Occurring after the Reporting Date

Since the end of the financial year there are no matters or circumstances not otherwise dealt with in the report that have significantly affected, or may significantly affect, the operations of each of the individual registered schemes in financial periods subsequent to this period.

### Note 17 Contingent Liabilities and Commitments

The registered schemes have no contingent liabilities or commitments.

## **Directors' Declaration**

The directors of the responsible entity declare that the financial statements and notes of

Platinum Japan Fund

Platinum European Fund

Platinum International Fund

Platinum International Brands Fund

Platinum International Technology Fund (together the 'Registered Schemes') as set out on pages 6 to 29.

- (a) comply with Accounting Standards, the Corporations Regulations and other mandatory professional reporting requirements; and
- (b) give a true and fair view of the Registered Schemes financial position as at 30 June 2000 and of their performance, as represented by the results of their operations and their cash flows, for the financial year ended on that date.

In the directors' opinion:

- (a) the financial statements and notes are in accordance with the Corporations Law; and
- (b) there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Registered Schemes will be able to pay their debts as and when they become due and payable.

This declaration is made in accordance with a resolution of the directors.

M Halstead  
Director

Sydney  
9 August 2000

## **Independent Audit Report to the Unitholders of**

**Platinum Japan Fund  
Platinum European Fund  
Platinum International Fund  
Platinum International Brands Fund  
Platinum International Technology Fund**

### *Scope*

We have audited the financial report of Platinum Japan Fund, Platinum European Fund and Platinum International Fund for the financial year ended 30 June 2000 and Platinum International Brands Fund and Platinum International Technology Fund for the period 18 May 2000 to 30 June 2000 (together the 'Registered Schemes') as set out on pages 6 to 30. The directors of the responsible entity, Platinum Asset Management are responsible for the financial report which includes the financial statements of the Registered Schemes. We have conducted an independent audit of the financial report in order to express an opinion on it to the unitholders of the Registered Schemes.

Our audit has been conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards to provide reasonable assurance as to whether the financial report is free of material misstatement. Our procedures included examination, on a test basis, of evidence supporting the amounts and other disclosures in the financial report, and the evaluation of accounting policies and significant accounting estimates. These procedures have been undertaken to form an opinion as to whether, in all material respects, the financial report is presented fairly in accordance with Accounting Standards, other mandatory professional reporting requirements, the Corporations Law in Australia and the Trust Deed (from 1 July 1999 to 10 October 1999) and the Trust Constitution (from 11 October 1999 to 30 June 2000) so as to present a view which is consistent with our understanding of the Registered Schemes' financial position, and performance as represented by the results of their operations and their cash flows.

The audit opinion expressed in this report has been formed on the above basis.

### *Audit Opinion*

In our opinion, the financial reports of the Registered Schemes are in accordance with:

- (a) the Corporations Law, including:
  - (i) giving a true and fair view of the Registered Schemes' financial position as at 30 June 2000 and of their performance for the financial year ended on that date for the Platinum Japan Fund, Platinum European Fund, Platinum International Fund and for the financial period ended on that date for the Platinum International Brands Fund and the Platinum International Technology Fund; and
  - (ii) complying with Accounting Standards and the Corporations Regulations; and
- (b) the Trust Deed (from 1 July 1999 to 10 October 1999) and the Trust Constitution (from 11 October 1999 to 30 June 2000); and
- (c) other mandatory professional reporting requirements.

PricewaterhouseCoopers  
Chartered Accountants

PK Merrett  
Partner

Sydney  
9 August 2000