Platinum Capital Limited

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Facts

Portfolio value Portfolio inception Current share price \$351.23 mn 29 June 1994 \$1 61

dividend profit

Realised franking

NAV retained earnings &

Pre-tax NAV \$1.4864 Post-tax NAV \$1.4822 NAV franking 8.09 cps

Performance¹

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	FUND %	MSCI %
1 month	2.91	2.19
3 months	0.86	4.23
6 months	0.79	4.58
Calendar year to date	(3.16)	1.08
1 year	(7.14)	(3.81)
2 years (compound pa)	5.37	11.91
3 years (compound pa)	8.16	11.90
5 years (compound pa)	12.19	14.77
7 years (compound pa)	8.05	10.27
10 years (compound pa)	6.67	4.72
Since inception (compound pa)	12.14	6.37

Invested positions³

	LONG %	NET %	CURRENCY %	
Australia	1.3	1.3	16.2	
Canada	0.7	0.7	0.7	
China	3.6	3.6	(2.6)	
China Ex PRC	14.3	14.3		
Hong Kong	0.8	0.8	11.7	
France	5.9	5.9		
Germany	3.2	3.2		
India	5.7	5.7	5.9	
Italy	5.8	5.8		
Japan	11.6	11.6	1.2	
Korea	5.8	5.8	2.4	
Malaysia	0.9	0.9	0.9	
Nigeria	0.1	0.1	0.1	
Norway	1.2	1.2	5.2	
Russia	1.2	1.2		
Sweden	1.9	1.6	1.9	
Switzerland	0.6	0.6	0.6	
United Kingdom	4.1	4.1	4.1	
United States	21.4	7.4	40.7	
Vietnam	2.6	2.6	2.6	
Zimbabwe	0.4	0.4		
	93.3	79.0		
China Renminbi Off Shore			(7.8)	
Euro Currency			16.3	
Cash & Accruals	6.7	21.0		
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	
Long - 97 stocks, 3 swaps, 1 bond	Short - 5 stocks, 1 index			

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Fees

Management fee:

1.1% p.a. of the portfolio value

Performance fee:

18.52 cps

7.67 cps

15% of the amount by which the portfolio's annual performance exceeds the return achieved by the MSCI All Country World Net Index

Performance graph²



Source: Factset and Platinum

Top ten positions ⁴			
STOCK	COUNTRY	INDUSTRY	%
Samsung Electronics Co Ltd Tencent Holdings Ltd Alphabet Inc Eni SpA Sanofi SA AstraZeneca PLC Intesa Sanpaolo SpA Cisco Systems Inc Inpex Corporation Ltd Rakuten Inc	Korea China Ex PRC USA Italy France UK Italy USA Japan Japan	Info Technology Info Technology Info Technology Energy Health Care Health Care Financials Info Technology Energy Cons Discretionary	4.3 3.1 2.8 2.6 2.6 2.5 2.1 2.1 2.1 2.1 2.0
Industry breakdown ³			
SECTOR		LONG %	NET %
Info Technology Cons Discretionary		23.3 14.5	23.3 14.1
Financials Health Care		11.9 10.9	11.9 10.9

Materials	7.2	7.2
Consumer Staples	7.0	5.2
Energy	6.7	6.7
Industrials	5.5	5.2
Telecom Services	3.0	3.0
Utilities	2.5	2.5
Other*	0.7	(11.2)
* Includes index short position		

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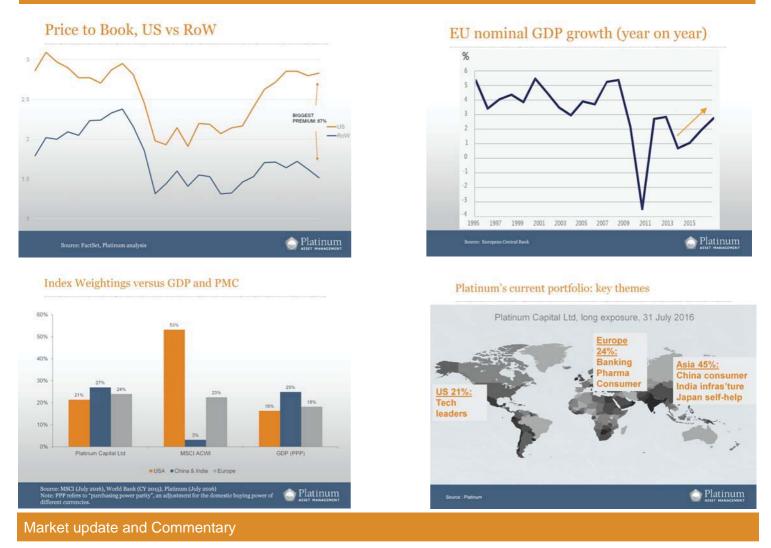
1. Performance results have been calculated using the pre-tax net asset value price (as released to the ASX) and represent the combined income and capital return of the investments for the specified period. Please note that the results are not calculated using the pre-tax net asset value price (as released to the ASX) and represent the combined income and capital return of the investments for the specified directors cannot guarantee that such results will be replicated in the future; therefore, this information should not be used to make future investment decisions. 2. The investment returns depicted in this graph are cumulative on A\$20,000 invested in PMC since inception relative to the MSCI All Country World Net Index in A\$ ("Index") (nb. the gross MSCI Index

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3. The "Long%" represents the exposure to physical holdings, corporate fixed income securities and long stock derivatives. The "Net %" represents the exposure of physical holdings and both long and short derivatives. The "Currency %" represents the currency exposure for PMC's Portfolio, taking into account currency hedging.

4. Top Ten positions shows PMC's top long share exposure positions. Long derivative exposures are included, however, short derivative exposures are not.

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While media, both social and traditional, start to fixate on which of the potential Presidents is less worse for the US stock market, investors moved forward from Brexit. This meant that the last week of June became the most recent low in markets. That markets are 2% higher at the end of July, and indeed the Company delivered close to 3% this month, with volatility near record lows may be a surprise to many. The Japanese, who entered the low rate environment over 20 years ago, made the first step towards fiscal stimulus, which ultimately we think will become the way others follow, but that could be a long way off given current Western political dogma.

It remains disappointing to report a negative return over the last 12 months, but in context, this came after 3 years of 20%+ annualised returns, and the performance dynamics in this latest correction, which was driven by a combination of Oil, China, and fear of rising rates in the US.

When returns are negative it is important to explain why and while China was the initial catalyst, if we look at the last twelve months, Asia-Pacific cost the Company 1% (half of that from China), as the region led the rebound from February lows. We made money in the US (despite our low exposure there), Australia (via one stock) and Canada, but it was Europe which cost us the most, with a negative impact on the portfolio of almost 5%. Aside from the direct impact of Brexit on the banks, quality businesses like Sanofi, Casino, Novartis, Ericsson and Hornbach all had a challenging year.

At the portfolio level, when we look from a sector perspective Materials and Technology have been positive, adding 2% to returns, with Samsung, Tencent, Google parent Alphabet and our Precious Metals exposure leading the way. The pain was felt in our investments in Consumer Discretionary, Financials and Industrials, which collectively accounted for the losses.

Since the market's steep decline almost a year ago, the focus has generally been on increasing the diversity of the portfolio with the new purchases. Oil and Gas, via ENI and Inpex, Gold Miners, and Overlooked Quality Companies like Coke, McDonald's and most recently, Johnson and Johnson, have been introduced. In the immediate aftermath of Brexit we topped up UK and Italian bank holdings that we felt had suffered from an over-reaction and whose sustainable dividend yields are impossible to pass up. The current geographical disposition of the portfolio reflects the fact that the US market has only been this expensive immediately prior to the three biggest sell-offs of the last 100 years, though the low rate environment offers some relative support, while the rest of the world has barely moved since the GFC and contains bountiful value.

Looking forward, the weighted median P/E is 15X, which is less than the opportunity set, and particularly the Australian and US markets, with considerable cash and shorts in place. In our view this is a prudent overall position with a collection of companies that should grow faster than the market, with higher quality and lower levels of debt.