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ABSOLUTE RETURN STRATEGY SICAV
(Société d'Investissement à Capital Variable)

Semi-Annual Report and Unaudited Financial Statements
as at June 30, 2009



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General Information

The annual general meeting of Shareholders of ABSOLUTE RETURN STRATEGY SICAV (the "Company") is held at the registered office of the Company or at such other place in Luxembourg as indicated in the convening notice on the last Wednesday of April of each year at 2 p.m. Luxembourg time. If any such day is not a bank business day in Luxembourg, it will be held on the next following bank business day in Luxembourg.

Notices of all general meetings will be published in the "Mémorial, Recueil des Sociétés et Associations" of Luxembourg (the "Mémorial") and in at least one Luxembourg newspaper (to the extent required by Luxembourg law) and will be sent by mail to the holders of registered Shares at least 8 days prior to the meeting at their addresses according to the register of Shareholders.

Such notices will include the agenda and specify the time and place of the meeting, the conditions of admission, and will refer to the requirements of Luxembourg law with regard to the necessary quorum and majorities required for the meeting.

The requirements as to attendance, quorum and majorities at all general meetings will be those laid down in Articles 67 and 67-1 of the law of August 10, 1915 (as amended) of the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg and in the Company's Articles of Incorporation.

Each entire Share is entitled to one vote. Fractions of Shares however participate in the distribution of dividends (if any) or in the distribution of the liquidation proceeds.

The Annual Report and Audited Financial Statements will be published within 4 months after the end of the financial year and the unaudited semi-annual reports will be published within 2 months at the end of the relevant period. The reports include separate information on each of the Sub-Funds as well as combined information on all Sub-Funds. The reports are available at the registered office of the Company during normal business hours. The financial yearend of the Company is December 31 of each year.

A detailed schedule of portfolio movements of the Sub-Funds is available free of charge upon request at the registered office of the Company.

The Net Asset Values, Subscription and Redemption Prices of the Sub-Funds and Classes are available at the registered office of the Company. Shares of all the Sub-Funds, as and when issued, shall be listed on the Luxembourg Stock Exchange.

Under current legislation and practice, Shareholders are not subject to any capital gains, income, withholding, inheritance or other taxes in Luxembourg (except for Shareholders domiciled, resident or having a permanent establishment in Luxembourg and for certain former residents of Luxembourg owning more than 10% of the share capital of the Company).

Potential investors should consult their professional advisers on the possible tax or other consequences of buying, holding, converting, transferring or selling any of the Shares under the laws of their countries of citizenship, residence or domicile.

The EU Savings Directive does not apply to Absolute Return Strategy SICAV. This fund is out of scope.

These semi-annual accounts can be obtained, free of charge, at the offices of the Investment Manager or can be downloaded, free of charge, from the website of the Investment Manager under the link:

<http://www.insinger.com/nl/beleggingsfondsen/page00215-ldB-Multi-Manager-fondsen.html>



Statement of Net Assets
as at June 30, 2009

	Note	Market Neutral USD	Directional Managers USD	Total USD
ASSETS				
Investments in securities at market value	(2)	43,573,942	78,723,293	122,297,235
Cash at bank		6,915,528	592,783	7,508,311
Amounts receivable on sale of investments		859,696	450,436	1,310,132
Unrealised profit on forward foreign exchange contracts	(6)	911,382	669,307	1,580,689
TOTAL ASSETS		52,260,548	80,435,819	132,696,367
LIABILITIES				
Bank overdraft		1,249,031	1,368,079	2,617,110
Management commission payable	(3)	60,318	98,097	158,415
Taxes and expenses payable	(5)	1,576,804	86,381	1,663,185
TOTAL LIABILITIES		2,886,153	1,552,557	4,438,710
TOTAL NET ASSETS		49,374,395	78,883,262	128,257,657
Net asset value per share				
"A" Shares (USD)		102.35	108.11	
"B" Shares (EUR)		90.73	97.45	
"D" Shares (GBP)		100.79	97.55	
Number of shares outstanding				
"A" Shares (USD)		18,394.446	28,539.987	
"B" Shares (EUR)		356,788.501	536,940.634	
"D" Shares (GBP)		10,782.994	12,068.251	

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements.



Statement of Changes in Net Assets
for the period ended June 30, 2009

	Note	Market Neutral USD	Directional Managers USD	Total USD
NET ASSETS AT THE BEGINNING OF THE PERIOD		62,577,416	109,173,151	171,750,567
INCOME				
Dividends		12,338	65,041	77,379
Bank interest	(2)	2	2,655	2,657
Other income		-	35,040	35,040
TOTAL INCOME		12,340	102,736	115,076
EXPENSES				
Management commission	(3)	(379,936)	(671,683)	(1,051,619)
Depositary bank commission		(15,386)	(41,622)	(57,008)
Domiciliation, administration and transfer agent fees		(53,327)	(29,737)	(83,064)
Audit fees, printing and publishing expenses		(21,718)	(21,481)	(43,199)
Tax d'abonnement	(4)	(13,434)	(25,023)	(38,457)
Bank charges		(4,462)	(7,447)	(11,909)
Bank interest		(18,406)	(32,928)	(51,334)
Other charges		(16,485)	(24,531)	(41,016)
TOTAL EXPENSES		(523,154)	(854,452)	(1,377,606)
NET INCOME / (LOSS) FROM INVESTMENTS		(510,814)	(751,716)	(1,262,530)
Net realised profit / (loss) on sale of investments	(2)	7,643,957	11,634,645	19,278,602
Net realised profit / (loss) on forward foreign exchange contracts	(2)	3,277,581	573,754	3,851,335
Net realised profit / (loss) on foreign exchange	(2)	(370,591)	(2,358,521)	(2,729,112)
NET REALISED PROFIT / (LOSS)		10,040,133	9,098,162	19,138,295
Change in net unrealised appreciation / (depreciation) on:				
- investments		(6,207,071)	(11,277,604)	(17,484,675)
- forward foreign exchange contracts		(3,399,797)	(1,026,615)	(4,426,412)
NET INCREASE / (DECREASE) IN NET ASSETS AS A RESULT OF OPERATIONS		433,265	(3,206,057)	(2,772,792)
EVOLUTION OF THE CAPITAL				
Issue of shares		114,017	108,359	222,376
Redemption of shares		(13,750,303)	(27,192,191)	(40,942,494)
NET ASSETS AT THE END OF THE PERIOD		49,374,395	78,883,262	128,257,657



Changes in the Number of Shares
for the period ended June 30, 2009

	Market Neutral	Directional Managers
USD		
"A" Shares		
Number of shares outstanding at the beginning of the period	36,189.309	54,905.600
Number of shares issued	139.479	140.423
Number of shares redeemed	(17,934.342)	(26,506.036)
Number of shares outstanding at the end of the period	18,394.446	28,539.987
EUR		
"B" Shares		
Number of shares outstanding at the beginning of the period	438,789.705	708,300.333
Number of shares issued	864.000	478.000
Number of shares redeemed	(82,865.204)	(171,837.699)
Number of shares outstanding at the end of the period	356,788.501	536,940.634
GBP		
"D" Shares		
Number of shares outstanding at the beginning of the period	26,198.624	27,815.459
Number of shares issued	-	242.451
Number of shares redeemed	(15,415.630)	(15,989.659)
Number of shares outstanding at the end of the period	10,782.994	12,068.251

Statistics

	Market Neutral	Directional Managers
	USD	USD
Total Net Asset Value		
June 30, 2009	49,374,395	78,883,262
December 31, 2008	62,577,416	109,173,151
December 31, 2007	111,738,732	200,689,930
Net asset value per share of the end of the period		
June 30, 2009		
"A" Shares (USD)	102.35	108.11
"B" Shares (EUR)	90.73	97.45
"D" Shares (GBP)	100.79	97.55
December 31, 2008		
"A" Shares (USD)	101.02	110.09
"B" Shares (EUR)	89.75	99.36
"D" Shares (GBP)	90.02	97.50
December 31, 2007		
"A" Shares (USD)	132.58	151.37
"B" Shares (EUR)	121.66	139.19
"D" Shares (GBP)	119.59	136.23



Market Neutral

Schedule of Investments
as at June 30, 2009

(expressed in USD)

Description	Quantity	Currency	Average Cost	Fair Value (note 2)	% net assets
Transferable securities admitted to an official stock exchange listing					
Investment funds					
Event Driven					
Trafalgar Catalyst Fund - Class A Series 1	28,793	USD	4,150,000 4,150,000	5,889,986 5,889,986	11.93 11.93
Total - Investment funds			4,150,000	5,889,986	11.93
Total - Transferable securities admitted to an official stock exchange listing			4,150,000	5,889,986	11.93
Other transferable securities					
Investment funds					
Multi Strategy					
Amaranth International Ltd - Class D1 Series 9264	166	USD	144,193 144,193	166,750 166,750	0.34 0.34
Distressed					
Orn European Distressed Debt Fund Ltd Series 1	415	USD	5,040,545 5,040,545	5,314,652 5,314,652	10.76 10.76
Convertible Arbitrage					
Advent Convertible Arbitrage - Class B Series 1	9,378	USD	1,059,915	1,236,463	2.50
Advent Convertible Arbitrage - Class B Series 2	71	USD	-	7,429	0.02
Advent Convertible Arbitrage - Class B1 Series 1	9,835	USD	1,000,000 2,059,915	1,116,114 2,360,006	2.26 4.78
Convertibles					
Advent Enhanced Phoenix Offshore - Series 1	6,855	USD	6,617,653 6,617,653	- -	- -
Equity Market Neutral					
Ocim Market Neutral - European Equity	54,562	USD	6,000,000 6,000,000	7,608,399 7,608,399	15.41 15.41
Others					
Advent GI Opportunity S.1b	8,000	USD	6,734,969	9,017,148	18.26
Castlerigg Intl -G- S.1 0109	44,339	USD	4,433,897	4,703,655	9.53
Castlerigg Intl -L- S.01 0109	14,387	USD	1,438,700	1,506,775	3.05
Castlerigg Intl -Sc- S.1 0109	11,548	USD	1,154,767	1,041,786	2.11
Castlerigg Intl -Sr- S.1 0109 USD	7,722	USD	772,205	695,758	1.41
Davidson Kempner-S(B)-Full Red	4,026	USD	347,172	406,584	0.82
Trafalgar Recovery -Cr- Nv/12	6,269	USD	835,793	630,384	1.28
Trafalgar Recovery CI USD D/1	6,072	USD	810,954	472,376	0.96
Trafalgar Recovery Usd -Cr- Nv/1	18,525	USD	3,291,871	3,189,738	6.46
Trafalgar Recovery USD -E- S.1	5,394	USD	-	569,945	1.15
			19,820,328	22,234,149	45.03
Total - Investment funds			39,682,634	37,683,956	76.32
Total - Other transferable securities			39,682,634	37,683,956	76.32
Total Investment Portfolio			43,832,634	43,573,942	88.25

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements.



Directional Managers

Schedule of Investments
as at June 30, 2009

(expressed in USD)

Description	Quantity	Currency	Average Cost	Fair Value (note 2)	% net assets
Transferable securities admitted to an official stock exchange listing					
Investment funds					
CTA					
Winton Futures Fund Ltd	12,435	USD	5,500,000 5,500,000	8,480,637 8,480,637	10.75 10.75
Europe Equity Long Short					
Abchurch Europe Fund -B- Cap (Long/Short)	42,519	USD	4,695,168	2,347,328	2.98
Genus 15 Fund Ltd - Euro Shares	98,494	EUR	14,328,000 19,023,168	7,807,916 10,155,244	9.90 12.88
Global Equity Long Short					
Altima Global Special Situation Fund - Class B Series 02-17	688	EUR	718,557	925,652	1.17
Altima Global Special Situation Fund - Class A Series 02-20	2,043	EUR	3,003,882	4,847,642	6.14
Altima Global Special Situation Fund - Class B Series 12-17	144	EUR	136,227	200,859	0.25
Altima Global Special Situation Fund - Class B Series 12-20	209	EUR	186,806	293,797	0.37
Altima Global Special Situation Fund - Class B Series 14-17	32	EUR	24,554	45,415	0.06
Altima Global Special Situation Fund - Class B Series 14-20	32	EUR	24,574	45,656	0.06
Altima Global Special Situation Fund - Class B Series 15-17	167	EUR	122,639	234,387	0.30
Altima Global Special Situation Fund - Class B Series 16-17	552	EUR	819,146	777,505	0.99
Altima Global Special Situation Fund - Class B Series 16-20	550	EUR	816,668	781,635	0.99
Altima Global Special Situation Fund - Class B Series 2-20	686	EUR	731,470	930,568	1.18
Altima Global Special Situation Fund - Class B Series 3-17	179	EUR	167,892	244,026	0.31
Altima Global Special Situation Fund - Class B Series 3-20	179	EUR	186,781	245,322	0.31
Altima Global Special Situation Fund - Class B Series 4-17	41	EUR	38,102	10,575	0.01
Altima Global Special Situation Fund - Class B Series 4-20	50	EUR	41,402	13,017	0.02
Altima Global Special Situation Fund - Class B Series 5-17	247	EUR	251,898	342,191	0.43
Altima Global Special Situation Fund - Class B Series 5-20	386	EUR	362,959	539,958	0.68
Altima Global Special Situation Fund - Class B Series 7-17	156	EUR	179,785	186,496	0.24
Altima Global Special Situation Fund - Class B Series 7-20	174	EUR	195,697	209,816	0.27
Altima Global Special Situation Fund - Class B Series 8-17	34	EUR	37,651	5,477	0.01
Altima Global Special Situation Fund - Class B Series 8-20	34	EUR	37,591	5,505	0.01
Altima Global Special Situation Fund - Class B Series 9-17	53	EUR	73,074	73,890	0.09
Altima Global Special Situation Fund - Class B Series 9-20	142	EUR	143,660	198,304	0.25



Directional Managers

 Schedule of Investments (continued)
 as at June 30, 2009

(expressed in USD)

Description	Quantity	Currency	Average Cost	Fair Value (note 2)	% net assets
Altima Global Special Situation Fund - Class B Series 15-20	166	EUR	122,741 8,423,756	235,632 11,393,325	0.30 14.44
Macro					
The Tell Fund	33,221	EUR	5,701,954 5,701,954	15,830,646 15,830,646	20.07 20.07
Total - Investment funds			38,648,878	45,859,852	58.14
Total - Transferable securities admitted to an official stock exchange listing			38,648,878	45,859,852	58.14
Other transferable securities					
Investment funds					
Distressed					
Davidson Kempner Distressed Intl Ltd Fund	4,736	USD	4,796,769 4,796,769	6,994,876 6,994,876	8.87 8.87
Equity Market Neutral					
Ocim Market Neutral - European Equity	37,982	USD	4,957,795 4,957,795	5,296,398 5,296,398	6.71 6.71
Europe Equity Long Short					
Egerton European Equity Class B	94,952	EUR	3,682,379 3,682,379	5,841,607 5,841,607	7.41 7.41
Global Equity Long Short Ex US					
Rodinia Fund Ltd - USD Class A Series 1	68,533	USD	8,014,001 8,014,001	6,036,410 6,036,410	7.65 7.65
PIPE Fund					
Bristol International Fund Ltd - Class A	985	USD	2,344,935 2,344,935	2,557,676 2,557,676	3.24 3.24
US Equity					
Cambrian Fund - Class B Series 1	14,592	USD	1,876,230 1,876,230	1,822,285 1,822,285	2.31 2.31
Others					
Castlerigg Intl -F- S.2 0109	20,528	USD	2,052,776	2,177,668	2.76
Castlerigg Intl -Sc- S.2 0109	5,346	USD	534,627	482,320	0.61
Altima Gl Sp S B Eur 17a-2 S20	38	EUR	37,182	53,870	0.07
Altima Gl Ss -B-Eur 19a-2 S.20	140	EUR	135,848	197,427	0.25
Altima Gl Sp S B Eur 18a-2 S20	173	EUR	168,974	257,686	0.33
The Raptor Private Holdings	1,614	USD	1,263,381	966,381	1.22
Davidson Kempner Dis Opp -S-	237	USD	203,231 4,396,019	178,837 4,314,189	0.23 5.47
Total - Investment funds			30,068,128	32,863,441	41.66
Total - Other transferable securities			30,068,128	32,863,441	41.66
Total Investment Portfolio			68,717,006	78,723,293	99.80

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements.



Notes to the Financial Statements for the period ended June 30, 2009

Note 1 – Organisation

ABSOLUTE RETURN STRATEGY SICAV (the "Company") is an open-ended investment company with variable capital, incorporated in the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg as a "société anonyme" on the basis of the law of August 10, 1915 on Commercial Companies (the "law of 1915") as amended and qualifies as a "Société d'Investissement à Capital Variable" ("SICAV") on the basis of part II of the law of December 20, 2002 on Collective Investment Undertakings (the "law of 2002"). Accordingly, the Company does not comply with the European Community Council Directive on Undertakings for Collective Investment in Transferable Securities.

The Company was incorporated in Luxembourg on November 29, 2002 for an unlimited period. The Articles of Incorporation of the Company were published in the "Mémorial, Recueil des Sociétés et Associations" of Luxembourg on December 28, 2002. The Company is registered with the "Registre de Commerce et des Sociétés", Luxembourg, under number B-90086.

The Company is structured as an "umbrella fund" containing a variety of different portfolios ("Sub-Funds") of specific assets in various reference currencies. Each such Sub-Fund is designated by the name of the Company, followed by a generic name.

Further, the shares of each Sub-Fund (the "Shares") may, as the Board of Directors shall so determine from time to time, be issued in one or more classes of Shares (each such class being referred to herein as a "Class"), whose assets will be commonly invested pursuant to a specific investment policy of the respective Sub-Fund, but where a specific sales and redemption charge structure, fee structure, distribution policy, hedging policy, reference currency or other specificity is applied to each such Class. At present, the following Sub-Funds are offered to investors:

Absolute Return Strategy SICAV - Market Neutral (Reference Currency : USD)

The Investment Manager allocates the assets of this Sub-Fund in order to minimise the correlation in investment performance between the Sub-Fund and the MSCI World Index (USD basis). The Investment Manager will try to achieve this objective by investing the assets of the Sub-Fund in Alternative UCIs that seek to minimise the beta of such Alternative UCI with the local market. Such Alternative UCIs will typically fall into the category of risk arbitrage, distressed securities, equity long/short market neutral and convertible arbitrage.

The following Classes of Shares are offered in this Sub-Fund:

- A-Shares: denominated in USD and fully exposed to fluctuations in the USD exchange rate relative to the major currencies in which the Sub-Fund is invested. A-Shares are available for any type of investor.
- B and C-Shares: denominated in EUR for Euro-based investors wishing to invest in a USD-based portfolio, whilst having their exchange rate risk actively managed. It should be noted that there can be no guarantee that the B and C-Shares would be fully hedged at times when the US Dollar appreciates against the underlying investment currencies of the Sub-Fund. B-Shares are available for any type of investor. C-Shares are available to Institutional Investors only.
- D-Shares: denominated in GBP for GBP-based investors wishing to invest in a USD-based portfolio, whilst having their exchange rate risk actively managed. It should be noted that there can be no guarantee that the Dshares would be fully hedged at times when the US Dollar appreciates against the underlying investment currencies of the Sub-Fund. D-Shares are available for any type of investor.

Absolute Return Strategy SICAV - Directional Managers (Reference Currency : USD)

This Sub-Fund will invest in Investment Funds which aim to achieve very high returns through investments in global security and currency markets. Such Investment Funds will try to achieve these high levels of return by identifying mis-pricings in the market and subsequently taking large positions to benefit from this. The increased level of risk is expected to be more than offset by the higher level of returns achieved.

The following Classes of Shares are offered in this Sub-Fund:

- A-Shares: denominated in USD and fully exposed to fluctuations in the USD exchange rate relative to the major currencies in which the Sub-Fund is invested. A-Shares are available for any type of investor.
- B and C-Shares: denominated in EUR for Euro-based investors wishing to invest in a USD-based portfolio, whilst having their exchange rate risk actively managed. It should be noted that there can be no guarantee that the B and C-Shares would be fully hedged at times when the US Dollar appreciates against the underlying investment currencies of the Sub-Fund. B-Shares are available for any type of investor. C-Shares are available to Institutional Investors only.



Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) for the period ended June 30, 2009

Note 1 – Organisation (continued)

- D-Shares: denominated in GBP for GBP-based investors wishing to invest in a USD-based portfolio, whilst having their exchange rate risk actively managed. It should be noted that there can be no guarantee that the D-Shares would be fully hedged at times when the US Dollar appreciates against the underlying investment currencies of the Sub-Fund. D-Shares are available for any type of investor.

The Directors may at any time create additional Sub-Funds and/or Classes.

The Company operates as a fund-of-funds, the investment objective of each Sub-Fund being the investment of at least 50% of its net assets in other open-ended undertakings for collective investment ("UCIs") using alternative management strategies, generally also known as "hedge funds" or as "alternative UCIs" (hereinafter defined as the "Alternative UCIs"). On an ancillary basis, each Sub-Fund may also invest in closed-ended Alternative UCIs.

Note 2 – Significant accounting policies

The financial statements have been prepared in conformity with legal and regulatory requirements in Luxembourg, applicable to investment funds, including the following significant accounting policies.

a) Investments

Each share or unit in an open-ended UCI is valued at the last available Net Asset Value whether estimated or final, which is computed for such units or shares at or prior to the valuation day on which the Net Asset Value of the Shares of the Sub-Fund is determined and as approved by the Central Administration of the Company.

In assessing the valuation of the underlying funds, reliance is placed upon audited Net Asset Values supplied by the underlying funds or their administrators, which may be subject to adjustment upon finalisation of the audit of their financial statements.

The financial statements include investments in underlying investment funds which are valued at USD 43,573,942 (representing 88.3% of net assets) in Absolute Return Strategy SICAV – Market Neutral and USD 78,723,293 (representing 99.8% of net assets) in Absolute Return Strategy SICAV – Directional Managers, whose fair values have been derived from net asset values provided by such funds or their agents in accordance with the prospectus. The value attributed to the underlying investment funds may differ from the value that would have been used had the underlying unaudited financial statements of such investments been available and such differences could be material.

In respect of shares or units held by the Company, for which issues and redemptions are restricted and a secondary market trading is effected between dealers who, as main market makers, offer prices in response to market conditions, the Directors may decide to value such shares or units in line with the prices so established.

If events have occurred which may have resulted in a material change in the Net Asset Value of such shares or units in other UCIs since the day on which the latest Net Asset Value was calculated, the value of such shares or units may be adjusted in order to reflect, in the reasonable opinion of the Board of Directors, such change of value.

Securities (including shares or units in closed-ended UCIs) which are quoted or dealt in on a stock exchange are valued at their latest available publicised stock exchange closing price or, for securities quoted or dealt in several stock exchanges, at the closing price on the stock exchange which is normally the principal market for such security.

Securities traded on another regulated market operating regularly, recognised and open to the public (a "regulated market"), are valued as near as possible to that for quoted securities.

In the event that any of the securities held in any portfolio at the valuation day are not quoted or traded on a stock exchange or another regulated market or, for any one of the securities, no price quotation is available, or if the price as determined pursuant to the above mentioned paragraphs is not in the opinion of the Board of Directors representative of the fair market value of the relevant securities, the value of such securities is determined based on the reasonably foreseeable sales price determined prudently and in good faith.

If, since the valuation day there has been a material movement in the quotations on the markets on which a substantial portion of the investments of the Company attributable to a particular Sub-Fund is listed or dealt in, the Board of Directors may, in order to safeguard the interests of the Shareholders and the Company, cancel the first valuation and carry out a second valuation.

Should circumstances so require, the Board of Directors may also adopt other valuation methods in accordance with generally accepted procedures.



Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) for the period ended June 30, 2009

Note 2 – Significant accounting policies (continued)

The valuations for all investments were made using the latest prices available on June 30, 2009.

The Board of Directors has decided to value the investment "Advent Enhanced Phoenix Offshore - Series 1" of the Sub-Fund Absolute Return Strategy SICAV - Market Neutral to zero as Lehman Brothers, the prime broker of Advent Enhanced Phoenix Fund, went into administratorship on September 15, 2008, the Advent fund has been suspended since then (both NAV calculation and/or any redemptions in this fund).

b) Net realised profit (loss) on sales of investments

The net realised profit or loss on sales of investments is determined on the basis of the average cost of investments.

c) Transactions in foreign currencies

Principal closing exchange rates used as of June 30, 2009 are:

1 GBP = 1.672150 USD
1 EUR = 1.411050 USD
1 EUR = 0.843853 GBP

The value of the assets and liabilities denominated in a currency other than the reference currency of the relevant Sub-Fund or Class will be translated at the prevailing exchange rates in Luxembourg at the Closing Date. Income and expenses in currencies other than the Sub-Fund's currency are translated into the Sub-Fund's currency at the exchange rates prevailing at the transaction date.

d) Combined financial statements of the Company

The total Net Asset Value of the Company is equal to the sum of the net assets of the various Sub-Funds translated into USD at the prevailing exchange rates in Luxembourg as at the valuation day.

The difference between the opening Net Asset Values stated at exchange rates ruling at the beginning of the year and their value at the end of the year is shown as a currency translation adjustment in the statement of changes in net assets.

e) Cost of investment securities

The cost of investment securities expressed in currencies other than the Sub-Fund's currency is translated into the Sub-Fund's currency at the exchange rate applicable at the purchase date.

f) Forward foreign exchange contracts

Outstanding forward foreign exchange contracts are valued on the basis of forward exchange rates prevailing at the relevant valuation date and the resulting unrealised profits or losses are included in the statement of changes in net assets. Realised profits and losses on matured forward foreign exchange contracts are also included in the statement of changes in net assets.

g) Formation expenses

These costs were estimated at USD 50,000 and are being amortized over the first five financial years of the Company. The fees and costs incurred in connection with the establishment and launch of any additional Sub-Fund shall be borne by the relevant Sub-Fund and shall be amortized, as the case may be, over the first five financial years following the launch of that Sub-Fund.

In the case new Sub-Funds are created within the five financial years following the incorporation of the Company, the Board of Directors may decide that the setting-up costs of the Company may however be allocated to these Sub-Funds, which will then participate in the amortization of the remaining costs over the then remaining amortization period since the incorporation of the Company.

h) Advance on investments

Payments made prior to the year end to acquire investments in advance of the calculation of the Underlying fund's net asset value per share/unit are recorded as 'Advance on investments' in the Statement of Net Assets.



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Note 2 – Significant accounting policies (continued)

i) Subscriptions in advance

Subscriptions received in advance of the year end are credited to the “subscriptions in advance” account until the net asset value has been calculated.

j) Income

Dividends are recognized on an ex-dividend basis, net of withholding taxes in the country of origin. Interest is recognized on an accrual basis.

Note 3 – Management and performance fees

Management fees

As remuneration for its services, the Investment Manager receives from the SICAV a semi-annual fee at the maximum semi-annual rate of 1.75% on both sub-funds applicable on the average net assets of these sub-funds.

The actual management fees charged during the period ended 30 June 2009 are:

- (a) 1.50% p.a. of the average net assets attributable to Class A, Class B and Class D.
- (b) 0.60% p.a. of the average net assets attributable to Class C.

Performance fees

In addition to the management fee, the Investment Manager receives a performance fee of the absolute performance (high water mark) of the Sub-Funds' net assets during a month, at the following rate:

- (a) 10% p.a. of the net assets attributable to Class A, Class B and Class D.
- (b) no performance fee will be calculated for Class C.

The performance fee shall be calculated and accrued on each valuation day and shall be payable on each valuation day for each Share Class in the currency of that Share Class. Once the performance fee is paid out to the Investment Manager, the outperformance of the Sub-Fund shall be reset to zero for the purposes of the calculation of the subsequent performance fee. Should there be no performance fee payable on a given valuation day, there shall be no reset. Once paid, a performance fee shall not be refunded should future losses occur.

Rebates

The Investment Manager has not received rebates from the underlying funds in which the Sub-Funds invest during the period ended June 30, 2009.

Note 4 – Taxation

Under current law and practice, which may change from time to time, the Company is not liable to any Luxembourg income tax, nor are dividends paid by the Company liable to any Luxembourg withholding tax.

However, the Sub-Funds are liable in Luxembourg to a semi-annual tax (“taxe d’abonnement”) of at present 0.05% per annum of their net assets, payable quarterly and calculated at the end of the relevant quarter.

In respect to Shares of a Sub-Fund or Class being dedicated to Institutional Investors only, the assets attributed to such Sub-Fund or Class are liable in Luxembourg to a “taxe d’abonnement” of 0.01% per annum of their net assets, payable quarterly and calculated at the end of the relevant quarter.



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Note 5 – Taxes and expenses payable

	Market Neutral USD	Directional Managers USD
Taxe d'abonnement (note 4)	6,032	9,910
Depository bank commission, domiciliation, administration and transfer agent fees	27,615	34,437
Audit fees, printing and publication expenses	11,941	29,046
Advance received	1,521,216	0
Other taxes and expenses	10,000	12,925
	1,576,804	86,318

Note 6 – Forward foreign exchange contracts

As at June 30, 2009, Market Neutral had entered into the following outstanding forward foreign exchange contracts:

	Purchase		Sale	Maturity date	Unrealised gain / (loss) (in USD)
EUR	31,398,874	USD	43,500,000	01/09/2009	793,607
EUR	707,164	USD	1,000,000	01/09/2009	(2,422)
GBP	1,948,460	USD	3,100,000	01/09/2009	157,202
GBP	60,266	USD	100,000	01/09/2009	746
USD	1,400,000	GBP	860,057	01/09/2009	(37,750)
					911,382

As at June 30, 2009, Directional Managers had entered into the following outstanding forward foreign exchange contracts:

	Purchase		Sale	Maturity date	Unrealised gain / (loss) (in USD)
EUR	1,131,462	USD	1,600,000	01/09/2009	(3,875)
EUR	51,970,550	USD	72,000,000	01/09/2009	1,313,556
GBP	1,194,217	USD	1,900,000	01/09/2009	96,349
USD	39,325,480	EUR	28,400,000	01/09/2009	(737,886)
USD	706,500	EUR	500,000	01/09/2009	1,163
					669,307

Note 7 – Dividends

The Company does not distribute dividends.