Annual Report and Audited Financial Statements

PRINCIPAL LIFE STYLE FUND

31 December 2023

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^{*} Principal Asian Bond Fund is not authorised by the Securities and Futures Commission and is not available for investment by the retail public in Hong Kong.

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MANAGER'S REPORT

Principal Asset Management Company (Asia) Limited (the "Manager") has pleasure in presenting the Manager's report together with the performance of Principal Asian Bond Fund, Principal Asian Equity Fund, Principal China Equity Fund, Principal European Equity Fund, Principal Hong Kong Bond Fund, Principal Hong Kong Dollar Savings Fund, Principal Hong Kong Equity Fund, Principal International Bond Fund, Principal International Equity Fund, Principal Pension Bond Fund and Principal U.S. Equity Fund (Sub-funds of Principal Life Style Fund and referred to individually or collectively as the "Sub-funds") for the year ended 31 December 2023.

Global

Performance Overview

For much of 2023, inflation stayed above the Fed target, forcing the Fed to stay hawkish for much of the year – hiking and keeping policy rates above market pricing. Indeed, the market was disappointed, and the January rally sputtered and completely lost ground by February. This was interrupted in March by the US regional bank crisis, which coincided with the forced takeover of Credit Suisse by UBS in Europe. The short-lived crisis aside, the dominant fixed-income market driver for much of 2023 was the market repricing towards central banks' more hawkish guidance. In these respects, the course of 2023 largely followed the plot in the outlook we gave in December 2022. A key driver that did not follow our plot was growth in the US – which proved surprisingly resilient in 2023. This was due to stronger-than-expected consumer spending, which in turn came about from excess savings from COVID-19 stimulus support, increase in consumer leverage, and lagged effects of policy tightening as most US households exercised their option not to refinance their mortgages. European households bore the full brunt of monetary policy tightening, as most mortgage rates were floating in nature. Governments planned to revert towards fiscal discipline, suspended due to COVID-19. Businesses were further hit by weak demand from China. As a result, the European economy contracted in pretty much a textbook reaction to policy tightening even as the US remained resilient.

As weaker growth and sharply decelerating price pressures reverberate around most of the world, DM central banks mostly decided to hit the breaks on policy tightening towards the end of the year. Many emerging markets have already begun cutting rates over the course of the year itself, including Poland, Czech Republic, Hungary, Chile, Peru, and Brazil. Japan proved to be the exception, with business optimism and inflation at the highest levels seen in 3 decades, the Bank of Japan looks set to normalize monetary policy next year. For 2023, the global bond market, as represented by the Bloomberg global aggregate, delivered +5.7% return. Bond yields fell across the board due to rising expectations of broad-based rate cuts in the year ahead. The dollar depreciated 2.1%. US treasuries returned 4.1%, and European government bonds returned 10.4% from lower bond yields and stronger Euro. In emerging markets, local markets returned +6.9%, led by Latam, while Asia was weighed down by relatively lacklustre return from China, which offset strong performance from Indonesia, Philippines, Korea and India. In credits, the emerging market also proved resilient with +6.6% return. US IG outperformed with +8.5% return as recession concerns faded, and companies in the US was supported by Fed term funding programs implemented after the regional bank crisis in March, which boosted the stock market to finish the year at a record high.

MANAGER'S REPORT (continued)

Asia

Performance review

The final quarter of 2023 marked a strong finish to a strong year, with equity returns surprising to the upside. Using the MSCI All Country World Index (USD) as a proxy, global equities advanced 11.1% during the quarter with developed markets outperforming emerging markets, up 11.5% vs. 7.9%. Investor optimism was building as the fourth quarter progressed, powered by further declines in inflation and slowing job growth, prompting signals from the Fed and other Western central Banks of the final innings of monetary policy tightening. Recent inflation reports have also delivered a welcome softening as the year-over-year numbers fell each month in the fourth quarter. Investors anxiously await the next Fed policy decision, which the market expects to be a rate cut. The Asia Pacific ex-Japan Index gained 7.8% during the quarter, performing in-line with the broader MSCI Emerging Markets Index which rose 7.9%. Within Asia Pacific markets, the best performers were Taiwan, up 17.4%, South Korea, up 15.3%, and Australia, up 15.2%. The lone market to decline during the quarter was China, down 3.1%. The top-performing sectors were Information technology, materials, and utilities, while consumer staples, consumer discretionary, and communication services were the worst-performing. The FTSE MPF Asia Pacific ex-Japan Index underperformed the MSCI AC Asia Pacific Ex-Japan during the quarter, rising 7.4% vs. 7.8%. China was the main reason for the underperformance, driven by the consumer discretionary sector.

The quarter saw Asia credit spreads tighten in line with the improvement in risk sentiments due to the turn lower in yields. Overall Asia credit space has held in well, largely due to a lack of supply and supportive technical while fundamentals remain largely intact with China the major economy undergoing the medium-term transition. On the macro front, China's activity data remained weak despite a multitude of stimulus measures announced over the past few months. The property sector has yet to bottom, activity data in the form of industrial production and retail sales have seen some micro bounce while FAI growth rebounded from a relatively low base. China's sovereign rating outlook was downgraded from stable to negative by Moody's, due to the rating agency's longer-term view towards the China property sector. This saw minimal impact on the China IG credit space as the underlying drivers have been priced in by creditors, with most of the potential fallen angle risks limited other than the local government financing vehicles and the asset management companies.

MANAGER'S REPORT (continued)

Hong Kong and China

Performance Review

China's economic activities continue to slow down in the fourth quarter. Chinese equity fell on weak macro data and concerns over property and LGFV risks. Investors are also concerned about potential headwinds from new policies in the internet and gaming space. Overall earnings revision was still weak in December. China is on a new path of slower growth that will be domestically led. Economic indicators still remain challenged by the effects of zero-COVID policies, however, supportive measures should trickle into the economy to form a bottom. We are cautiously optimistic about China's equity market as the economy recovers towards pre-COVID levels. The property market still faces challenges given the high debt levels and falling real estate prices. In fixed income, continued policy support from the government may drive economic stabilization and improvement in the mid to long term. Growth may be realized as the effects of policy support come to the fore, especially given that we expect a lagged effect on recent stimulus actions. We will continue to watch sectors outside Real Estate like Tech, Utilities, and Finance for better-positioned BBB names.

Hong Kong equity markets continue to be lackluster on the back of a benign macroeconomic outlook and underperformed against the US, developed markets and broader Asia. Hong Kong's economic recovery tapered off into year-end as additional fiscal stimulus and the resumption of business and trade activities provided minimal impetus. Investments and capital expenditures remain soft while outbound travel curtailed the consumption recovery. Equity sentiment and macroeconomic outlook will be an incremental driver of HKD spot trajectory as global investors retain a cautious view on China's growth prospects while the potential loosening of IPO listing approvals can fuel some optimism. Growth momentum is likely to hinge on the recently announced measures to attract talent and inflows via an updated CIES scheme as consumption and PMI show early signs of recovery in the last quarter of 2023.

MANAGER'S REPORT (continued)

US

Performance Review

Macro indicators confirm a resilient U.S. economy, powered by the consumer and strong employment. In Q4 2023, the S&P 500 index gained 11.55%, a strong finish to a strong year. Historically robust returns were seen across most market segments, despite a host of challenges, including averting the most widely anticipated recession in modern memory. Investor optimism was building as the fourth quarter progressed, powered by further declines in inflation and slowing job growth, prompting signals from the Fed and other Western central Banks of the final innings of monetary policy tightening. Consistent with their performance through 2023, the "Magnificent Seven" (Apple, Microsoft, Google, Amazon, Meta, Nvidia, and Tesla) dominated the market, particularly those with current involvement or future ambitions in next-generation alternative intelligence. High-quality (as measured by ROE) companies continued to outperform low-quality companies as durable earnings profiles remain attractive among investors with economic conditions and outlooks top of mind. Large Size continued to outperform, but the quarter delivered a significant improvement in market breadth, as smaller-company shares and interest-rate sensitive, lower-quality cyclical stocks finally began to participate in the market advancement, after struggling for much of the year.

For and on behalf of

Principal Asset Management Company (Asia) Limited

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Hong Kong 26 April 2024

INVESTMENT REPORT

Performance Table

Investment record as at 31 December 2023

	Net asset value per unit						
	Pension	Retail	Investment	Ī6	R6	R2	Total net
	Class	Class	Class	Class	Class	Class	asset value
	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$
Principal Asian Bond Fund	9.7448	-	-	-	_	-	733,185,700
Principal Asian Equity Fund	60.5195	44.6890	23.6144	10.0000	-	-	5,400,853,714
Principal China Equity Fund	13.5505	10.1500	10.3803	-	5.9820	-	3,275,462,864
Principal European Equity Fund	23.2588	-	19.3304	13.3118	-	-	2,296,157,811
Principal Hong Kong Bond Fund	12.9661	11.6533	-	-	8.8331	-	3,712,805,537
Principal Hong Kong Dollar Savings Fund	14.6670	12.8945	-	-	-	-	2,973,965,442
Principal Hong Kong Equity Fund	31.9548	24.5425	25.1899	13.3368	6.6599	8.1904	11,644,168,623
Principal International Bond Fund	17.4205	11.4196	13.0174	-	-	-	5,712,502,477
Principal International Equity Fund	51.8465	37.9892	-	10.0000	-	-	4,756,076,045
Principal Pension Bond Fund	19.5990	-	**9.0996	-	-	-	798,163,884
Principal U.S. Equity Fund	60.3601	31.6337	-	-	-	-	6,258,905,487

^{**} Investment class was fully redeemed on 8 November 2023.

Investment record as at 31 December 2022

		Net asset value per unit					
	Pension	Retail	Investment	I6	R6	R2	Total net
	Class	Class	Class	Class	Class	Class	asset value
	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$
Principal Asian Bond Fund	9.0748	-	-	-	-	-	445,644,991
Principal Asian Equity Fund	56.8997	42.6420	22.4617	10.0000	-	-	5,440,655,571
Principal China Equity Fund	15.8396	12.0879	12.2936	-	7.3957	-	3,870,270,817
Principal European Equity Fund	19.6060	-	16.5022	13.3118	-	-	2,777,498,711
Principal Hong Kong Bond Fund	12.0649	10.9212	-	-	8.6199	-	5,476,614,678
Principal Hong Kong Dollar Savings Fund	13.9572	12.3257	-	-	-	-	3,333,274,562
Principal Hong Kong Equity Fund	36.1012	28.1552	28.8305	13.3368	7.9415	9.4819	11,365,694,114
Principal International Bond Fund	16.2552	10.7870	12.2711	-	-	-	5,095,548,491
Principal International Equity Fund	41.3037	30.7102	-	10.0000	-	-	3,614,222,431
Principal Pension Bond Fund	18.2678	-	8.9713	-	-	-	2,223,373,691
Principal U.S. Equity Fund	48.0027	25.5261	-	-	-	-	4,990,037,946

Investment record as at 31 December 2021

	Net asset value per unit					
Pension	Retail	Investment	I6	R6	R2	Total net
Class	Class	Class	Class	Class	Class	asset value
HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$
10.1743	-	-	-	-	-	510,513,068
69.3325	52.7043	27.6763	10.0000	-	-	6,666,898,636
21.3818	16.6048	16.8002	-	10.3306	-	5,089,922,753
24.8008	-	21.1309	13.3118	-	-	4,392,832,099
13.1201	11.9607	-	-	9.6247	-	6,805,034,022
13.9903	12.4111	-	-	-	-	3,614,672,811
45.1228	35.7005	36.4782	13.3368	10.2508	12.0725	13,046,618,681
19.1408	12.8574	14.5957	-	-	-	6,027,711,214
52.1174	39.3032	-	10.0000	-	-	4,409,868,082
20.0978	-	*9.9687	-	-	-	2,612,515,638
58.5667	31.5834	-	-	-	-	6,276,250,630
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^{*}It was launched on 25 May 2021.

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Performance Table (continued)

Performance record for the year ended 31 December 2023

Performance record for the year ended 31 December	er 2023		_	
			Lowest	Net
	Fund	Highest	redemption	annualised
	expense	issue price	price per	investment
	ratio	per unit	unit	return
	(%)#	HK\$	HK\$	(%)*
Principal Asian Bond Fund	(/*/			(,-,
Pension Class	0.03331	9.7591	9.0693	7.38
Felision Class	0.03331	9.7391	9.0093	7.36
Data singl Asian Family Famil				
Principal Asian Equity Fund	0.05726	60.6000	54.2064	
Pension Class	0.05726	62.6832	54.3864	6.36
Retail Class	-	46.8902	40.2620	4.80
Investment Class	1.15833	24.7090	21.2636	5.13
I6 Class	0.00000	10.0000	10.0000	0.00
Principal China Equity Fund				
Pension Class	0.04402	18.4491	12.9837	(14.45)
Retail Class	-	14.0385	9.7295	(16.03)
Investment Class	1.24417	14.2903	9.9491	(15.56)
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R6 Class	-	8.5686	5.7435	(19.12)
Principal European Equity Fund				
Pension Class	0.02686	23.3309	19.8341	18.63
Investment Class	1.22701	19.3929	16.5467	17.14
I6 Class	0.00000	13.3118	13.3118	0.00
Principal Hong Kong Bond Fund				
Pension Class	0.02433	12.9661	12.1046	7.47
	0.02433			
Retail Class	-	11.6533	10.9023	6.70
R6 Class	-	8.9195	8.4443	2.47
Principal Hong Kong Dollar Savings Fund				
Pension Class	0.01807	14.6670	13.9670	5.09
Retail Class	-	12.8945	12.2886	4.61
Principal Hong Kong Equity Fund				
Pension Class	0.01842	41.8700	30.6989	(11.49)
Retail Class	0.01042	32.5781	23.5860	(12.83)
Investment Class	1.21847	33.3734	24.2070	
				(12.63)
I6 Class	0.00000	13.3368	13.3368	0.00
R6 Class	-	9.1915	6.4211	(16.14)
R2 Class	-	10.8570	7.8722	(13.62)
Principal International Bond Fund				
Pension Class	0.02012	17.4959	15.7770	7.17
Retail Class	_	11.4705	10.3670	5.86
Investment Class	1.02030	13.0752	11.8129	6.08
investment class	1.02030	13.0732	11.012)	0.00
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Principal International Equity Fund	0.04400	51.0252	41 1500	25.52
Pension Class	0.04499	51.9372	41.1509	25.53
Retail Class	-	38.0601	30.3078	23.70
I6 Class	0.00000	10.0000	10.0000	0.00
Principal Pension Bond Fund				
Pension Class	0.02585	19.6519	18.3301	7.29
Investment Class**	1.02426	9.3466	8.9467	1.43
m Council Clubo	1.02720	7.J 1 00	0.7407	1.73
Principal U.S. Equity Fund				
1 1 1	0.00070	60.5440	47 (000	25.7.
Pension Class	0.00979	60.5448	47.6933	25.74
Retail Class	-	31.7341	25.1119	23.93

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* Percentage change: (unit price at the end of the year - unit price at the beginning of the year)/ unit price at the beginning of the year OR (unit price at the last pricing date - unit price at the beginning of the year)/ unit price at the beginning of the year (for terminated Sub-fund/ fully redeemed class during the year) OR (unit price at the end of the year - unit price at the date of inception)/ unit price at the date of inception (for newly launched Sub-fund/ class)

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^{**} Investment class was fully redeemed on 8 November 2023.

INVESTMENT REPORT (continued)

Performance Table (continued)

Performance record for the year ended 31 December 2022

Performance record for the year ended 31 Decem	iber 2022			
	Fund expense ratio (%)#	Highest issue price per unit HK\$	Lowest redemption price per unit HK\$	Net annualised investment return (%)*
Principal Asian Bond Fund Pension Class	0.02	10.1685	8.6441	(10.81)
Principal Asian Equity Fund				
Pension Class Retail Class	0.05	69.8327 53.0599	49.6887 37.3349	(17.93) (19.09)
Investment Class	1.14	27.8659	19.6552	(18.84)
I6 Class	0.00	10.0000	10.0000	0.00
Principal China Equity Fund Pension Class	0.03	21.8278	12.0777	(25.92)
Retail Class	-	16.9348	9.2432	(27.20)
Investment Class	1.23	17.1389	9.3926	(26.82)
R6 Class	-	10.5360	5.6575	(28.41)
Principal European Equity Fund				
Pension Class	0.02	24.9433	16.9791	(20.95)
Investment Class	1.22	21.2504	14.3347	(21.90)
I6 Class	0.00	13.3118	13.3118	0.00
Principal Hong Kong Bond Fund				
Pension Class	0.02	13.1045	11.6741	(8.04)
Retail Class	-	11.9458	10.5810	(8.69)
R6 Class	-	9.6127	8.4103	(10.44)
Principal Hong Kong Dollar Savings Fund				
Pension Class	0.02	13.9910	13.8130	(0.24)
Retail Class	-	12.4109	12.2083	(0.69)
Principal Hong Kong Equity Fund Pension Class	0.02	47.0362	26.9135	(19.99)
Retail Class	0.02	37.1856	21.0389	(21.13)
Investment Class	1.22	37.9997	21.5363	(20.97)
I6 Class	0.00	13.3368	13.3368	0.00
R6 Class	-	10.6774	5.9435	(22.53)
R2 Class	-	12.5712	7.0913	(21.46)
Principal International Bond Fund				
Pension Class	0.02	19.0605	15.4848	(15.08)
Retail Class	-	12.8022	10.2994	(16.10)
Investment Class	1.02	14.5333	11.7120	(15.93)
Principal International Equity Fund				
Pension Class	0.03	52.3552	38.3819	(20.75)
Retail Class	-	39.4767	28.6384	(21.86)
I6 Class	0.00	10.0000	10.0000	0.00
Principal Pension Bond Fund	0.02	20,0207	17 (142	(0.11)
Pension Class Investment Class	0.02 1.02	20.0297 9.9338	17.6143 8.6668	(9.11) (10.01)
myestment Cidss	1.02	7.7550	0.0000	(10.01)
Principal U.S. Equity Fund				
Pension Class	0.00	58.9487	44.8960	(18.04)
Retail Class	-	31.7859	23.9472	(19.18)

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* Percentage change: (unit price at the end of the year - unit price at the beginning of the year)/ unit price at the beginning of the year OR (unit price at the last pricing date - unit price at the beginning of the year)/ unit price at the beginning of the year (for terminated Sub-fund/ fully redeemed class during the year) OR (unit price at the end of the year - unit price at the date of inception)/ unit price at the date of inception (for newly launched Sub-fund/ class)

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INVESTMENT REPORT (continued)

Performance Table (continued)

Performance record for the year ended 31 December 2021

·	Highest	Lowest	Net annualised
	issue price per unit HK\$	price per unit HK\$	investment return (%)*
Principal Asian Bond Fund Pension Class	10.2668	9.9077	0.76
Principal Asian Equity Fund	10.2000	7.5011	0.70
Pension Class	78.9428	66.5740	(1.21)
Retail Class	60.7545	50.6266	(2.60)
Investment Class	31.8184	26.5832	(2.30)
I6 Class	10.0000	10.0000	0.00
Principal China Equity Fund			
Pension Class	30.3289	20.7739	(15.26)
Retail Class	23.9140	16.1403	(16.71)
Investment Class	24.0865	16.3280	(16.28)
R6 Class	15.1133	10.0471	(18.00)
Principal European Equity Fund			
Pension Class	25.0838	20.1052	21.41
Investment Class	21.4049	17.3182	19.98
I6 Class	13.3118	13.3118	0.00
Principal Hong Kong Bond Fund			
Pension Class	13.3011	12.9138	(0.17)
Retail Class	12.1641	11.8352	(0.88)
R6 Class	9.9500	9.6027	(3.21)
Principal Hong Kong Dollar Savings Fund			
Pension Class	13.9922	13.9193	0.53
Retail Class	12.4325	12.4005	0.07
Principal Hong Kong Equity Fund Pension Class	62.9042	42 7051	(14.19)
Retail Class	50.3977	43.7951 34.6636	(14.18) (15.39)
Investment Class	51.3995	35.4168	(15.21)
I6 Class	13.3368	13.3368	0.00
R6 Class	14.7464	9.9685	(16.96)
R2 Class	17.1161	11.7235	(15.81)
Principal International Bond Fund			
Pension Class	19.9733	19.0203	(4.13)
Retail Class	13.5777	12.7923	(5.28)
Investment Class	15.3830	14.5189	(5.09)
D'alair de alta de la Francia			
Principal International Equity Fund Pension Class	52.5679	43.0627	19.92
Retail Class	39.7126	32.8924	18.26
I6 Class	10.0000	10.0000	0.00
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Principal Pension Bond Fund Pension Class	20.3371	19.7317	(0.58)
Pension Class Investment Class**	20.3371 10.1290	9.9086	(0.38)
III VOSUIICII CIUOS	10.1290	7.7000	(0.31)
Principal U.S. Equity Fund			
Pension Class	58.8900	44.9004	28.79
Retail Class	31.7604	24.5461	27.03

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^{**} Investment class was launched on 25 May 2021.

INVESTMENT REPORT (continued)

Performance Table (continued)

Performance record for the year ended 31 December 2020

2020 2000 2000 2020 300 3000 0 2 2 000 0 2 2 000 0 2 0 2	Highest issue price per unit HK\$	Lowest redemption price per unit HK\$	Net annualised investment return (%)*
Principal Asian Bond Fund Pension Class **	10.0977	9.8883	0.98
Principal Asian Equity Fund Pension Class	70.1849	27 9127	25.74
Retail Class	54.1099	37.8127 29.4580	23.74
Investment Class	28.3278	15.3877	24.37
I6 Class	10.0000	10.0000	0.00
Principal China Equity Fund			
Pension Class	25.2318	15.9445	23.64
Retail Class	19.9365	12.7635	21.56
Investment Class	20.0682 12.6008	12.7987 8.2591	22.17 18.71
R6 Class	12.0008	6.2391	10./1
Principal European Equity Fund Pension Class	20.4892	11.9015	17.19
Investment Class	20.4892 17.6675	10.3547	17.19
I6 Class	13.3118	13.3118	0.00
	13.3110	13.3110	0.00
Principal Hong Kong Bond Fund Pension Class	13.1430	12.2306	7.40
Retail Class	12.0667	11.3081	6.64
R6 Class	10.0563	9.5444	4.12
Principal Hong Kong Dollar Savings Fund			
Pension Class	13.9174	13.5894	2.42
Retail Class	12.4036	12.1665	1.95
Principal Hong Kong Equity Fund			
Pension Class	52.5756	34.7243	18.18
Retail Class	42.1951	28.1702	16.53
Investment Class	43.0236	28.6790	16.77
I6 Class	13.3368	13.3368	0.00
R6 Class R2 Class	12.3572 14.3392	8.4465 9.6079	13.70 15.96
	14.3392	9.0079	13.90
Principal International Bond Fund Pension Class	10.0654	17.9219	0.01
Retail Class	19.9654 13.5741	17.9219	8.01 6.73
Investment Class	15.3786	13.9131	6.93
Principal International Equity Fund			
Pension Class	43.4613	24.3091	18.48
Retail Class	33.2350	18.7851	16.83
I6 Class	10.0000	10.0000	0.00
Principal Pension Bond Fund Pension Class	20.2145	17.2030	7.49
Dringing II C. Fauity Fund			
Principal U.S. Equity Fund Pension Class	45.4740	27.8619	13.11
Retail Class	24.8639	15.3910	11.53

The net annualised investment return represents the percentage change in unit price* for the year covered in this report. It is for indicative purposes only and is not necessarily a guide to future performance.

* Percentage change: (unit price at the end of the year - unit price at the beginning of the year)/ unit price at the beginning of the year OR

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^{**} Sub-fund/ class was launched on 17 August 2020.

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Performance Table (continued)

Performance record for the year ended 31 December 2019

1 offormation food and your ofform of 2019		Lowest	Net
	Highest	redemption	annualised
	issue price	price per	investment
	per unit	unit	return
	HK\$	HK\$	(%)*
Principal Asian Equity Fund	ПХФ	ШФ	(70)
Pension Class	56.1293	46.7657	15.50
Retail Class	44.3208	37.0705	13.90
Investment Class	23.0836	19.2912	14.24
I6 Class	10.0000	10.0000	0.00
10 Class	10.0000	10.0000	0.00
Principal China Equity Fund			
Pension Class	20.4881	16.7132	17.93
Retail Class	16.6542	13.6586	15.95
Investment Class	16.6193	13.6126	16.53
R6 Class	11.0926	9.1012	12.60
KO Class	11.0920	9.1012	12.00
Principal European Equity Fund			
Pension Class	17.5011	13.6739	25.65
Investment Class	15.2741	12.0733	24.17
I6 Class	13.2741	13.3118	0.00
10 Class	13.3116	13.3116	0.00
Dringing Hong Vong Dond Fund			
Principal Hong Kong Bond Fund Pension Class	12.4117	11.7604	4.07
Retail Class	11.5021	10.9468	3.34
R6 Class	9.8362	9.4850	0.66
Dringing Hong Vong Dellon Servings Fund			
Principal Hong Kong Dollar Savings Fund	12 5000	12 2705	2.42
Pension Class	13.5880	13.2705	2.42
Retail Class	12.1656	11.9352	1.96
Dringing Hong Kong Fauitr Fund			
Principal Hong Kong Equity Fund	46.0107	27.0707	12.72
Pension Class	46.2187	37.8706	13.72
Retail Class	38.0056	31.2521	12.14
Investment Class	38.6151	31.7369	12.37
I6 Class	13.3368	13.3368	0.00
R6 Class	11.6874	9.6434	8.96
R2 Class	14.3492	10.5178	11.55
Principal International Bond Fund	10.0254	15.0450	7.50
Pension Class	18.8276	17.2653	7.52
Retail Class	13.0089	12.0277	6.17
Investment Class	14.6989	13.5660	6.45
Principal International Equity Fund	267500	20.0621	21.20
Pension Class	36.7588	29.8621	21.20
Retail Class	28.5110	23.4791	19.53
I6 Class	10.0000	10.0000	0.00
D. C. C. I D. C. C. D. L. I F. L. I			
Principal Pension Bond Fund	10.00##	17.1700	0.50
Pension Class	18.8855	17.1789	9.50
Description Funda Funda			
Principal U.S. Equity Fund	10.000	21.07.17	
Pension Class	40.2688	31.0745	26.61
Retail Class	22.3319	17.4783	24.80

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INVESTMENT REPORT (continued)

Performance Table (continued)

Performance record for the year ended 31 December 2018

·		Lowest	Net
	Highest	redemption	annualised
	issue price	price per	investment
	per unit	unit	return
	HK\$	HK\$	(%)*
Principal Asian Equity Fund	44.0004	4= 4000	40.40
Pension Class	64.3084	47.4909	(18.46)
Retail Class	51.6447	37.6985	(19.60)
Investment Class	26.8044	19.6293	(19.37)
I6 Class	10.0000	10.0000	0.00
Principal China Equity Fund			
Pension Class	22.7278	16.8733	(11.89)
Retail Class	18.8746	13.8307	(13.38)
Investment Class	18.7228	13.7729	(12.95)
R6 Class	12.9014	9.2181	(15.56)
KU Class	12.5014	9.2161	(13.30)
Principal European Equity Fund			
Pension Class	17.2819	13.4822	(13.42)
Investment Class	15.4335	11.9068	(14.47)
I6 Class	14.2251	12.7961	0.86
Principal Hong Kong Bond Fund			
Pension Class	11.7590	11.3913	1.78
Retail Class	10.9492	10.6528	1.06
R6 Class	9.6513	9.3121	(1.64)
Principal Hong Kong Dollar Savings Fund			
Pension Class	13.2667	13.0182	1.94
Retail Class	11.9321	11.7607	1.48
Principal Hong Kong Equity Fund	40.7005	27.0004	(12.00)
Pension Class	49.7805	37.0094	(12.99)
Retail Class	41.6267	30.6141	(14.20)
Investment Class	42.1941	31.0817	(14.03)
I6 Class R6 Class	15.8859	12.7003	(7.10)
	13.2295	9.4734	(16.68)
R2 Class	14.3492	10.5178	(14.63)
Principal International Bond Fund			
Pension Class	17.5619	16.9036	(0.96)
Retail Class	12.3411	11.7826	(2.14)
Investment Class	13.8986	13.2952	(1.95)
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Principal International Equity Fund			
Pension Class	37.2375	29.0219	(12.59)
Retail Class	29.6681	22.8235	(13.82)
I6 Class	10.0000	10.0000	0.00
Principal Pension Bond Fund			
Pension Class	17.3514	16.9776	(1.12)
Deinging U.S. Equity Fund			
Principal U.S. Equity Fund Pension Class	38.1442	29.7586	(5.08)
Retail Class	21.5518	29.7386 16.7305	(6.42)
ICIAII CIASS	21.3310	10.7303	(0.42)

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INVESTMENT REPORT (continued)

Performance Table (continued)

Performance record for the year ended 31 December 2017

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	Highest	redemption	annualised
	issue price	price per	investment
	per unit	unit	return
	HK\$	HK\$	(%)*
	ΙΙΙΨ	1114φ	(70)
Principal Asian Equity Fund			
Pension Class	59.2705	41.6117	43.58
Retail Class	47.7098	33.9385	41.52
Investment Class	24.7471	17.5456	42.05
I6 Class	10.0000	10.0000	0.00
Principal China Equity Fund			
Pension Class	20.0432	13.8851	41.70
Retail Class	16.6938	11.7373	39.35
Investment Class	16.5453	11.5815	40.05
R6 Class	11.4156	8.3616	33.71
D 1 E E			
Principal European Equity Fund Pension Class	16.0467	12 4050	29.43
Investment Class	14.3435	12.4050 11.2184	29.43 27.90
	13.2184	10.3185	28.15
I6 Class	15.2164	10.5185	28.13
Principal Hong Kong Bond Fund			
Pension Class	11.7051	11.1868	3.34
Retail Class	10.9998	10.5634	2.61
R6 Class	9.9112	9.6272	0.24
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Principal Hong Kong Dollar Savings Fund			
Pension Class	13.0183	12.8261	1.49
Retail Class	11.7629	11.6402	1.03
Principal Hong Kong Equity Fund			
Pension Class	45.2360	31.5072	43.48
Retail Class	37.9185	26.7352	41.52
Investment Class	38.4218	27.0412	41.81
I6 Class	14.4603	10.1599	42.08
R6 Class	12.0795	8.7504	37.41
R2 Class #	13.0897	10.0000	29.85
Principal International Bond Fund			
Pension Class	17.4624	15.9408	8.36
Retail Class	12.3621	11.3965	6.87
Investment Class	13.9038	12.7779	7.29
investment class	13.7036	12.777	1.2)
Principal International Equity Fund			
Pension Class	34.7316	27.9495	24.63
Retail Class	27.7010	22.6002	22.91
I6 Class	10.0000	10.0000	0.00
Principal Pension Bond Fund			
Pension Class	17.4007	16.5378	5.02
Principal U.S. Equity Fund			
Pension Class	33.6584	27.5810	21.39
Retail Class	19.2057	15.9616	19.59

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[#] R2 Class was launched on 1 February 2017.

INVESTMENT REPORT (continued)

Performance Table (continued)

Performance record for the year ended 31 December 2016

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	TT' 1	Lowest	Net
	Highest	redemption	annualised
	issue price	price per	investment
	per unit	unit	return
Duinging Agion Equity Fund	HK\$	HK\$	(%)*
Principal Asian Equity Fund	44.0150	24 2940	<i>c</i> 11
Pension Class	44.9150	34.3849	6.11
Retail Class Investment Class	36.8028 19.0058	28.4113	4.57 4.96
I6 Class	10.0000	14.6401 10.0000	0.00
10 Class	10.0000	10.0000	0.00
Principal China Equity Fund			
Pension Class	15.2357	11.1501	2.30
Retail Class	12.9494	9.5679	0.57
Investment Class	12.7572	9.3991	1.08
R6 Class	9.2919	7.0270	(2.45)
NO Class	7.2717	7.0270	(2.43)
Principal European Equity Fund			
Pension Class	12.9602	11.1366	(4.00)
Investment Class	11.8026	10.1345	(5.14)
I6 Class	10.8433	9.3118	2.99
Principal Hong Kong Bond Fund			
Pension Class	11.5685	11.0583	(0.08)
Retail Class	10.9537	10.5118	(0.78)
R6 Class	10.0996	9.6392	(3.10)
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Principal Hong Kong Dollar Savings Fund			
Pension Class	12.8396	12.6558	1.12
Retail Class	11.6518	11.5361	0.65
Principal Hong Kong Equity Fund			
Pension Class	34.6391	25.7981	1.92
Retail Class	29.5239	22.1626	0.50
Investment Class	29.8439	22.3767	0.71
I6 Class	11.2057	8.3931	0.91
R6 Class	9.7688	7.4968	(2.79)
Principal International Bond Fund			
Pension Class	16.9941	15.6431	2.50
Retail Class	12.1999	11.3296	1.16
Investment Class	13.6744	12.6645	1.48
District of Later and the different form			
Principal International Equity Fund	20.1664	24.1612	2.94
Pension Class Retail Class	28.1664	24.1612	2.84
	22.7941	19.7828	1.40
I6 Class	10.0000	10.0000	0.00
Principal Pension Bond Fund			
Pension Class	16.9161	16.0247	3.36
1 (11510)1 (1455)	10.7101	10.0247	3.30
Principal U.S. Equity Fund			
Pension Class	28.0476	23.0338	6.55
Retail Class	16.2513	13.5186	4.98
TOWN CHURCH	10.2313	15.5100	7.70

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* Percentage change:

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INVESTMENT REPORT (continued)

Performance Table (continued)

Performance record for the year ended 31 December 2015

·		Lowest	Net
	Highest	redemption	annualised
	issue price	price per	investment
	per unit	unit	return
	HK\$	HK\$	(%)*
Principal Asian Equity Fund			
Pension Class	48.9112	37.0683	(7.71)
Retail Class	40.8928	30.8392	(9.04)
Investment Class	21.0112	15.8643	(8.72)
Principal China Equity Fund			
Pension Class	18.2263	12.5608	(6.96)
Retail Class	15.8616	10.8594	(8.55)
Investment Class	15.5149	10.6433	(8.07)
R6 Class #	11.9736	8.0266	(14.42)
Principal European Equity Fund			
Pension Class	13.7081	11.7471	5.48
Investment Class	12.6429	10.8800	4.22
investment class	12.042)	10.0000	7.22
Principal Hong Kong Bond Fund			
Pension Class	11.2318	10.8365	3.16
Retail Class	10.6957	10.3798	2.43
R6 Class #	10.0579	9.9215	-
Principal Hong Kong Dollar Savings Fund			
Pension Class	12.6955	12.5535	0.99
Retail Class	11.5878	11.5068	0.45
Principal Hong Kong Equity Fund	20.2502	20.7460	(2.05)
Pension Class	39.2582	28.7460	(3.85)
Retail Class	34.0799	24.8478	(5.20)
Investment Class	34.3527	25.0635	(5.00)
I6 Class	12.8657	9.3927	(4.81)
R6 Class #	11.7680	8.4735	(10.47)
Principal International Bond Fund			
Pension Class	16.1440	15.4279	(2.91)
Retail Class	11.8404	11.2362	(4.15)
Investment Class	13.1986	12.5484	(3.87)
investment Class	13.1700	12.5404	(3.67)
Principal International Equity Fund			
Pension Class	29.2400	25.3916	(1.93)
Retail Class	24.2024	20.9023	(3.37)
n' ' In ' n In I			
Principal Pension Bond Fund	16.2046	15 9221	1.00
Pension Class	16.2046	15.8321	1.08
Principal U.S. Equity Fund			
Pension Class	27.2545	23.8684	0.38
Retail Class	16.1296	14.1046	(1.10)
Retail Class	10.1250	17.1040	(1.10)

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[#] R6 Class was launched on 2 January 2015.

INVESTMENT REPORT (continued)

Performance Table (continued)

Performance record for the year ended 31 December 2014

·		Lowest	Net
	Highest	redemption	annualised
	issue price	price per	investment
	per unit	unit	return
	HK\$	HK\$	(%)*
Principal Asian Equity Fund			
Pension Class	45.7393	38.2642	1.55
Retail Class	38.5938	32.5538	0.10
Investment Class	19.7870	16.6577	0.44
Principal China Equity Fund			
Pension Class	15.0947	12.1942	9.71
Retail Class	13.2768	10.8183	7.85
Investment Class	12.9456	10.5235	8.40
Principal European Equity Fund			
Pension Class	13.5898	11.3051	(3.78)
Investment Class	12.6751	10.4991	(4.84)
Principal Hong Kong Bond Fund			
Pension Class	10.9169	10.4003	4.12
Retail Class	10.4634	10.0319	3.38
Principal Hong Kong Dollar Savings Fund			
Pension Class	12.5619	12.4109	1.22
Retail Class	11.5236	11.4503	0.42
Principal Hong Kong Equity Fund			
Pension Class	33.6933	28.6071	4.23
Retail Class	29.5455	25.1973	2.77
Investment Class	29.7372	25.3442	2.99
I6 Class	11.1216	9.9529	5.19
Principal International Bond Fund			
Pension Class	16.8485	16.0287	(0.12)
Retail Class	12.6015	11.7749	(4.01)
Investment Class	13.8467	13.1180	(1.11)
Principal International Equity Fund			
Pension Class	28.6356	25.5374	2.30
Retail Class	24.0104	21.5021	0.81
Principal Pension Bond Fund			
Pension Class	15.9195	15.1706	4.45
Principal U.S. Equity Fund			
Pension Class	26.1634	21.8247	12.90
Retail Class	15.6119	13.2357	10.85

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INVESTMENT REPORT (continued) Portfolio Statement as at 31 December 2023

Principal Asian Bond Fund

Invastorants	* Portfolio	Fair value	% of NAV
Investments	holdings	HK\$/HK\$	IVAV
Listed/quoted debt instruments		equivalent	
Non-certificates of deposit			
Denominated in United States Dollar			
AAC TECHNOLOGIES HOLDINGS INC 2.625% 2JUN2026	300,000	2,074,096	0.28
ABJA INVESTMENT CO PTE LTD 5.95%	300,000	2,074,070	0.20
31JUL2024	250,000	1,946,277	0.27
ADANI PORTS & SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONE			
LTD 4.2% 4AUG2027	300,000	2,104,791	0.29
ADARO INDONESIA PT 4.25% 31OCT2024	550,000	4,181,609	0.57
AIA GROUP LTD 4.95% 4APR2033	1,300,000	10,221,060	1.39
AIRPORT AUTHORITY 3.25% 12JAN2052	250,000	1,497,515	0.20
AIRPORT AUTHORITY 4.75% 12JAN2028	500,000	3,946,423	0.54
AIRPORT AUTHORITY 4.875% 12OCT2032	1,000,000	7,998,610	1.09
ALIBABA GROUP HOLDING LTD 2.125% 9FEB2031	1,250,000	8,090,101	1.10
APPLE INC 4.85% 10MAY2053	400,000	3,182,583	0.43
AUSTRALIA & NEW ZEALAND BANKING	400,000	3,102,303	0.43
GROUP LTD 4.4% 19MAY2026	1,000,000	7,617,152	1.04
BAIDU INC 2.375% 9OCT2030	600,000	3,961,785	0.54
BANGKOK BANK PCL/HONG KONG 5.3%	000,000	3,701,703	0.51
21SEP2028	700,000	5,551,556	0.76
BANK MANDIRI PERSERO TBK PT 5.5%	, , , , , , ,	-,,	
4APR2026	1,000,000	7,824,098	1.07
BANK OF CHINA LTD 5% 13NOV2024	1,500,000	11,646,738	1.59
BANK OF EAST ASIA LTD/THE 6.75%			
15MAR2027	500,000	3,917,769	0.53
BCEG HONGKONG CO LTD 2.22% 2JUL2026	500,000	3,619,733	0.49
BHARTI AIRTEL LTD 4.375% 10JUN2025	450,000	3,464,694	0.47
BLOSSOM JOY LTD 2.2% 21OCT2030	250,000	1,648,226	0.22
BLUESTAR FINANCE HOLDINGS LTD			
3.375% 16JUL2024	250,000	1,924,921	0.26
BOC AVIATION USA CORP 4.875% 3FEB2033	1,000,000	7,644,104	1.04
BOC AVIATION USA CORP 5.75% 9NOV2028	500,000	4,029,099	0.55
CDBL FUNDING 2 2% 4MAR2026	800,000	5,868,663	0.80
CENTRAL INTERNATIONAL	500,000	2 707 120	0.50
DEVELOPMENT BVI LTD 2.2% 25AUG2024 CHALCO HONG KONG INVESTMENT CO	500,000	3,787,139	0.52
LTD 1.55% 28JUL2024	500,000	3,817,562	0.52
CHINA CINDA 2020 I MANAGEMENT LTD	300,000	3,017,302	0.32
3% 20JAN2031	600,000	3,997,549	0.55
CHINA CINDA 2020 I MANAGEMENT LTD	000,000	3,771,377	0.55
5.75% 7FEB2027	500,000	3,947,058	0.54
CHINA CINDA FINANCE 2015 I LTD 4.25%	200,000	2,2 . 1,000	3.5 1
23APR2025	400,000	3,069,722	0.42
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INVESTMENT REPORT (continued) Portfolio Statement as at 31 December 2023 (continued)

Investments	* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$ equivalent	% of NAV
Listed/quoted debt instruments (continued)			
Non-certificates of deposit (continued)			
Denominated in United States Dollar (continued) CHINA OVERSEAS GRAND OCEANS FINANCE IV CAYMAN LTD 2.45%	270.000	1 (20 251	0.00
9FEB2026 CHINALCO CAPITAL HOLDINGS LTD 2.125%	250,000	1,620,271	0.22
3JUN2026	300,000	2,182,269	0.30
CIMB BANK BHD 2.125% 20JUL2027	750,000	5,347,917	0.73
CK HUTCHISON INTERNATIONAL 23 LTD			
4.75% 21APR2028	500,000	3,910,464	0.53
CK HUTCHISON INTERNATIONAL 23 LTD	1 000 000	7 00 < 0 < 4	1.05
4.875% 21APR2033	1,000,000	7,826,864	1.07
CLP POWER HONG KONG FINANCING LTD	1 000 000	C C1 4 O 4 4	0.00
2.125% 30JUN2030	1,000,000	6,614,844	0.90
CNAC HK FINBRIDGE CO LTD 2% 22SEP2025 CNAC HK FINBRIDGE CO LTD 3% 22SEP2030	1,000,000 450,000	7,365,663 3,076,122	1.00 0.42
COMMONWEALTH BANK OF AUSTRALIA	430,000	3,070,122	0.42
3.61% 12SEP2034	1,000,000	6,966,148	0.95
COMMONWEALTH BANK OF	1,000,000	0,900,148	0.33
AUSTRALIA/NEW YORK NY 5.499%			
12SEP2025	450,000	3,557,141	0.49
CONTEMPORARY RUIDING DEVELOPMENT	130,000	3,337,111	0.17
LTD 1.5% 9SEP2026	500,000	3,548,984	0.48
DBS GROUP HOLDINGS LTD 1.194%	200,000	2,2 .0,5 0 .	01.0
15MAR2027	500,000	3,513,880	0.48
DBS GROUP HOLDINGS LTD 1.822%	,	, ,	
10MAR2031	1,100,000	7,958,927	1.09
DBS GROUP HOLDINGS LTD 5.479%			
12SEP2025	500,000	3,949,836	0.54
ENN ENERGY HOLDINGS LTD 4.625%			
17MAY2027	600,000	4,626,958	0.63
EXPORT-IMPORT BANK OF INDIA 2.25%			
13JAN2031	300,000	1,957,135	0.27
EXPORT-IMPORT BANK OF INDIA 3.875%			
1FEB2028	500,000	3,748,078	0.51
EXPORT-IMPORT BANK OF KOREA 4.875%	1 200 000	0.206.272	1.20
11JAN2026	1,200,000	9,396,272	1.28
EXPORT-IMPORT BANK OF KOREA 5%	1 250 000	0.042.702	1 26
11JAN2028 EXPORT-IMPORT BANK OF KOREA 5.125%	1,250,000	9,942,703	1.36
11JAN2033	1,000,000	8,107,514	1.11
FOXCONN FAR EAST LTD 2.5% 28OCT2030	200,000	1,315,395	0.18
FRANSHION BRILLIANT LTD 3.2% 9APR2026	400,000	2,624,981	0.16
FREEPORT INDONESIA PT 5.315% 14APR2032	500,000	3,828,446	0.50
TREE ORT INDOMESIA 1 3.313/0 17/11 R2032	300,000	2,020,770	0.52

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Investments	* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$ equivalent	% of NAV
Listed/quoted debt instruments (continued)		1	
Non-certificates of deposit (continued)			
Denominated in United States Dollar (continued)	525,000	4.067.750	0.56
GOODMAN HK FINANCE 4.375% 19JUN2024 HAIDILAO INTERNATIONAL HOLDING LTD	525,000	4,067,759	0.56
2.15% 14JAN2026	500,000	3,591,635	0.49
HDFC BANK LTD/GANDHINAGAR 5.686%			
2MAR2026	1,000,000	7,895,792	1.08
HONG KONG GOVERNMENT INTERNATIONAL BOND 2.375% 2FEB2051	1,000,000	5,257,001	0.72
HONG KONG GOVERNMENT	1,000,000	3,237,001	0.72
INTERNATIONAL BOND 5.25% 11JAN2053	500,000	4,382,926	0.60
HONGKONG LAND FINANCE CAYMAN	·		
ISLANDS CO LTD/THE 5.25% 14JUL2033	500,000	3,889,704	0.53
HPHT FINANCE 21 II LTD 1.5% 17SEP2026	400,000	2,844,087	0.39
HUARONG FINANCE II CO LTD 5.5% 16JAN2025	950,000	7,325,382	1.00
HYUNDAI CAPITAL AMERICA 5.68%	930,000	1,323,362	1.00
26JUN2028	500,000	3,979,471	0.54
HYUNDAI CAPITAL AMERICA 6.25%	,	- , , -	
3NOV2025	500,000	3,961,580	0.54
ICBCIL FINANCE CO LTD 1.75% 2AUG2026	1,000,000	7,205,083	0.98
INDONESIA ASAHAN ALUMINIUM PT /			
MINERAL INDUSTRI INDONESIA PERSERO PT 4.75% 15MAY2025	500,000	3,855,464	0.53
INDONESIA GOVERNMENT INTERNATIONAL	300,000	3,033,404	0.55
BOND 4.2% 15OCT2050	750,000	5,194,769	0.71
INDONESIA GOVERNMENT INTERNATIONAL	,	-, - ,	
BOND 4.3% 31MAR2052	1,500,000	10,564,214	1.44
INDONESIA GOVERNMENT INTERNATIONAL			
BOND 4.65% 20SEP2032	1,600,000	12,485,350	1.70
INDONESIA GOVERNMENT INTERNATIONAL BOND 4.85% 11JAN2033	2,250,000	17,871,764	2.44
INDUSTRIAL & COMMERCIAL BANK OF	2,230,000	17,071,704	2.44
CHINA LTD 4.875% 21SEP2025	1,500,000	11,606,918	1.58
KHAZANAH CAPITAL LTD 4.876% 1JUN2033	1,000,000	7,833,537	1.07
KOOKMIN BANK 2.375% 15FEB2027	500,000	3,640,134	0.50
KOOKMIN BANK 4.5% 1FEB2029	500,000	3,739,407	0.51
KOREA DEVELOPMENT BANK/THE 4.375%	7. 0.000	. 00 . 550	0.70
15FEB2028	750,000	5,825,669	0.79
KOREA DEVELOPMENT BANK/THE 4.375% 15FEB2033	500,000	3,825,553	0.52
KOREA DEVELOPMENT BANK/THE 5.625%	300,000	3,043,333	0.32
23OCT2033	1,000,000	8,411,750	1.15

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Investments	* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$ equivalent	% of NAV
Listed/quoted debt instruments (continued)		-	
Non-certificates of deposit (continued)			
Denominated in United States Dollar (continued) KOREA ELECTRIC POWER CORP 5.375%			
31JUL2026 KOREA HOUSING FINANCE CORP 5.375%	500,000	3,947,651	0.54
15NOV2026 KOREA LAND & HOUSING CORP 5.75%	500,000	3,976,374	0.54
6OCT2025 KOREA NATIONAL OIL CORP 4.875%	1,000,000	7,899,036	1.08
3APR2028	800,000	6,278,374	0.86
LENOVO GROUP LTD 3.421% 2NOV2030	500,000	3,447,103	0.47
LEVC FINANCE LTD 1.375% 25MAR2024	500,000	3,866,316	0.53
MEITUAN 2.125% 28OCT2025 MIDEA INVESTMENT DEVELOPMENT CO LTD	800,000	5,877,172	0.80
2.88% 24FEB2027	750,000	5,501,393	0.75
MINEJESA CAPITAL BV 4.625% 10AUG2030 MIRAE ASSET SECURITIES CO LTD 6.875%	650,000	4,815,426	0.66
26JUL2026 MIZUHO FINANCIAL GROUP INC 5.667%	535,000	4,265,496	0.58
27MAY2029 MUANG THAI LIFE ASSURANCE PCL 3.552%	500,000	3,996,138	0.55
27JAN2037	500,000	3,585,679	0.49
NANYANG COMMERCIAL BANK LTD 3.8%	7 00.000	2011211	0.72
20NOV2029	500,000	3,814,314	0.52
NIPPON LIFE INSURANCE CO 6.25% 13SEP2053	500,000	4,093,253	0.56
NTPC LTD 4.375% 26NOV2024 OVERSEA-CHINESE BANKING CORP LTD	700,000	5,409,492	0.74
1.832% 10SEP2030	1,000,000	7,344,256	1.00
PERTAMINA PERSERO PT 1.4% 9FEB2026	650,000	4,694,474	0.64
PERTAMINA PERSERO PT 4.7% 30JUL2049	750,000	5,196,702	0.71
PERUSAHAAN PERSEROAN PERSERO PT PERUSAHAAN LISTRIK NEGARA 4%	,	-,, -	
30JUN2050	1,350,000	8,165,463	1.11
PETRONAS CAPITAL LTD 2.48% 28JAN2032	1,500,000	9,982,235	1.36
PETRONAS CAPITAL LTD 3.404% 28APR2061	300,000	1,678,760	0.23
PETRONAS CAPITAL LTD 4.55% 21APR2050 PHILIPPINE GOVERNMENT INTERNATIONAL	450,000	3,214,917	0.44
BOND 2.457% 5MAY2030 PHILIPPINE GOVERNMENT INTERNATIONAL	500,000	3,464,881	0.47
BOND 3.2% 6JUL2046 PHILIPPINE GOVERNMENT INTERNATIONAL	1,000,000	6,032,093	0.82
BOND 4.2% 29MAR2047	250,000	1,729,516	0.24

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Portfolio Statement as at 31 December 2023 (continued)

Investments	* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$ equivalent	% of NAV
Listed/quoted debt instruments (continued)		•	
Non-certificates of deposit (continued)			
Denominated in United States Dollar (continued) PHILIPPINE GOVERNMENT INTERNATIONAL			
BOND 5% 17JUL2033	1,000,000	8,016,997	1.09
PLDT INC 2.5% 23JAN2031	750,000	4,856,103	0.66
PRUDENTIAL FUNDING ASIA PLC 2.95%			
3NOV2033	750,000	5,132,480	0.70
PSA TREASURY PTE LTD 2.25% 30APR2030 PT TOWER BERSAMA INFRASTRUCTURE TBK	1,000,000	6,794,095	0.93
2.8% 2MAY2027	450,000	3,188,256	0.43
PTTEP TREASURY CENTER CO LTD 2.587%	.20,000	3,100,230	0.15
10JUN2027	500,000	3,624,253	0.49
REC LTD 2.25% 1SEP2026	1,000,000	7,205,482	0.98
RELIANCE INDUSTRIES LTD 2.875%			
12JAN2032	1,500,000	10,033,005	1.37
RELIANCE INDUSTRIES LTD 3.667%	400.000		
30NOV2027	400,000	2,981,863	0.41
SANDS CHINA LTD 4.05% 8JAN2026	600,000	4,498,903	0.61
SANDS CHINA LTD 5.65% 8AUG2028 SHINHAN FINANCIAL GROUP CO LTD 5%	300,000	2,322,997	0.32
24JUL2028	1,000,000	7,807,204	1.06
SIAM COMMERCIAL BANK PCL/CAYMAN	1,000,000	7,007,204	1.00
ISLANDS 3.9% 11FEB2024	300,000	2,338,508	0.32
SINOCHEM OFFSHORE CAPITAL CO LTD	200,000	2,550,500	0.32
2.375% 23SEP2031	300,000	1,924,437	0.26
SINOPEC GROUP OVERSEAS DEVELOPMENT	,	, ,	
2018 LTD 2.7% 13MAY2030	1,000,000	7,086,245	0.97
SINOPEC GROUP OVERSEAS DEVELOPMENT			
2018 LTD 3.68% 8AUG2049	1,300,000	8,236,597	1.12
SK HYNIX INC 6.375% 17JAN2028	600,000	4,836,277	0.66
SK ON CO LTD 5.375% 11MAY2026	750,000	5,890,192	0.80
SP POWERASSETS LTD 3% 26SEP2027	500,000	3,705,863	0.51
STANDARD CHARTERED PLC 7.776% 16NOV2025	1,150,000	0.150.520	1.25
STATE GRID OVERSEAS INVESTMENT BVI	1,130,000	9,150,528	1.25
LTD 3.5% 4MAY2027	1,500,000	11,357,795	1.55
STATE GRID OVERSEAS INVESTMENT BVI	1,200,000	11,551,175	1.55
LTD 4% 4MAY2047	950,000	6,491,901	0.89
SUN HUNG KAI PROPERTIES CAPITAL	,	-,,	0.07
MARKET LTD 2.75% 13MAY2030	500,000	3,391,442	0.46

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Portfolio Statement as at 31 December 2023 (continued)

Investments	* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$ equivalent	% of NAV
Listed/quoted debt instruments (continued)			
Non-certificates of deposit (continued)			
Denominated in United States Dollar (continued) SUNNY EXPRESS ENTERPRISES CORP 2.95%			
1MAR2027 SUNNY EXPRESS ENTERPRISES CORP 3.125%	300,000	2,226,440	0.30
23APR2030 SWIRE PROPERTIES MTN FINANCING LTD	600,000	4,276,391	0.58
3.625% 13JAN2026	500,000	3,797,798	0.52
TEMASEK FINANCIAL I LTD 1.625% 2AUG2031	500,000	3,229,611	0.44
TEMASEK FINANCIAL I LTD 2.75% 2AUG2061	750,000	4,138,165	0.56
TENCENT HOLDINGS LTD 2.39% 3JUN2030	2,250,000	14,972,197	2.04
TENCENT HOLDINGS LTD 3.575% 11APR2026	500,000	3,779,410	0.52
TENCENT HOLDINGS LTD 3.84% 22APR2051	300,000	1,749,384	0.24
TINGYI CAYMAN ISLANDS HOLDING CORP	1 000 000	7.05 < 0.17	1.00
1.625% 24SEP2025	1,000,000	7,356,217	1.00
UNITED OVERSEAS BANK LTD 3.75% 15APR2029	500,000	2 994 604	0.52
UNITED OVERSEAS BANK LTD 3.863%	500,000	3,884,604	0.53
7OCT2032	500,000	3,733,156	0.51
UNITED STATES TREASURY NOTE/BOND	300,000	3,733,130	0.51
4.75% 15NOV2053	500,000	4,378,270	0.60
WEIBO CORP 3.5% 5JUL2024	250,000	1,930,192	0.26
WOORI BANK 4.75% 30APR2024	500,000	3,890,876	0.53
XIAOMI BEST TIME INTERNATIONAL LTD	200,000	3,070,070	0.55
3.375% 29APR2030	250,000	1,711,762	0.23
		713,024,804	97.25
Total non-certificates of deposit		713,024,804	97.25
Total listed/quoted debt instruments		713,024,804	97.25
Total investments		713,024,804	97.25
Other net assets		20,160,896	2.75
Total net asset value		733,185,700	100.00
Total cost of investments		716,022,918	

^{*} The value of each holding as a percentage of the total net asset value is accounted for on the trade day.

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Principal Asian Equity Fund

Investments	* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$ equivalent	% of NAV
Listed shares		equivalent	
Australia			
AMPOL LTD	20,645	3,976,490	0.07
ANZ GROUP HOLDINGS LTD ANZ	236,037	32,598,065	0.60
ARISTOCRAT LEISURE LTD NPV	110,336	23,997,554	0.45
AUB GROUP LTD	37,939	5,609,519	0.10
BELLEVUE GOLD LTD BGL	928,693	8,288,267	0.15
BHP GROUP LTD	460,375	123,653,146	2.29
CAR GROUP LTD CAR	35,298	5,856,598	0.11
COCHLEAR LIMITED NPV	7,945	12,643,353	0.23
COLES GROUP LTD	250,743	21,522,915	0.40
COLLINS FOODS LTD NPV	452,740	28,561,257	0.53
COMMONWEALTH BANK OF AUSTRAL NPV	144,560	86,112,597	1.60
CSL LTD	43,564	66,535,962	1.23
DATA 3 LTD NPV DFD 23/11/11(EX SPLIT)	214,752	9,657,315	0.18
DE GREY MINING LTD DEG	2,573,231	17,206,766	0.32
ENDEAVOUR GROUP LTD/AUSTRALI	92,715	2,573,739	0.05
FLIGHT CENTRE TRAVEL GROUP LTD	41,574	4,509,998	0.08
FORTESCUE LTD	101,452	15,686,815	0.29
INSURANCE AUSTRALIA GROUP SHS	352,376	10,626,726	0.20
INTERGAL DIAGNOSTICS LTD	52,752	535,440	0.01
LOTTERY CORP/THE	202,808	5,230,066	0.10
LYNAS RARE EARTHS LTD	72,753	2,775,496	0.05
MACQUARIE GROUP LTD	12,164	11,901,365	0.22
MONASH IVF GROUP LTD	4,128,802	28,598,559	0.53
NATIONAL AUSTRALIA BANK LTD NPV	251,676	41,167,730	0.76
ORORA LTD NPV	1,654,357	22,918,138	0.43
PRO MEDICUS LTD PME	22,470	11,473,114	0.21
QBE INSURANCE GROUP LTD	101,195	7,985,293	0.15
QUBE HOLDINGS LTD NPV	533,567	9,211,083	0.17
REA GROUP LIMITED	10,691	10,318,900	0.19
RIO TINTO LTD NPV	33,913	24,512,904	0.45
SANTOS LTD NPV	277,986	11,256,756	0.21
SEVEN GROUP HOLDINGS LTD NPV	12,902	2,536,648	0.05
SONIC HEALTHCARE LTD NPV	149,509	25,555,150	0.47
STEADFAST GROUP LTD NPV	87,838	2,723,844	0.05

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Investments	* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$ Equivalent	% of NAV
Listed shares (continued)		Equivalent	
Australia (continued)			
SUNCORP GROUP LTD NPV TECHNOLOGY ONE LIMITED NPV(POST RECON) TELSTRA CORPORATION LTD NPV TREASURY WINE ESTATES LTD NPV VENTIA SERVICES GROUP PTY LT WESFARMERS LTD WES WESTPAC BANKING CORP WBC WOODSIDE ENERGY GROUP LTD WOOLWORTHS GROUP LTD WORLEYPARSONS LTD NPV	119,009 66,695 371,654 223,849 1,303,606 64,268 239,983 203,529 112,112 157,633	8,782,261 5,461,902 7,841,709 12,857,326 21,809,853 19,532,195 29,281,458 33,682,513 22,221,419 14,664,529	0.16 0.10 0.15 0.24 0.40 0.36 0.55 0.62 0.41 0.27
		874,452,733	16.19
China			
KWEICHOW MOUTAI CO LTD-A NARI TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMEN-A	8,029 358,753	15,196,950 8,780,999 23,977,949	0.28 0.16 0.44
Hong Kong			
AGRICULTURAL BANK OF CHINA-H AIA GROUP LTD USD1.00 ALIBABA GROUP HOLDING LTD ANTA SPORTS PRODUCTS LTD BAIDU INC-CLASS A BANK OF CHINA LTD-H BANK OF COMMUNICATIONS CO-H BYD CO LTD-H CHINA CONSTRUCTION BANK-H CHINA GRAND PHARMACEUTICAL A 512 CHINA LONGYUAN POWER GROUP-H CHINA MENGNIU DAIRY CO CHINA MERCHANTS BANK - H	6,568,000 1,338,200 1,411,624 184,400 207,450 10,778,000 3,371,000 168,000 3,969,000 2,430,000 311,000 282,000 356,500	19,769,680 91,064,510 106,718,774 13,968,300 24,084,945 32,118,440 16,416,770 36,019,200 18,455,850 9,938,700 1,841,120 5,922,000 9,696,800	0.37 1.69 1.98 0.26 0.45 0.60 0.30 0.67 0.34 0.18 0.03 0.11
CHINA MOBILE LTD CHINA OVERSEAS LAND & INVEST CHINA PACIFIC INSURANCE GR-H	383,000 162,000 350,400	24,818,400 2,229,120 5,522,304	0.46 0.04 0.10

INVESTMENT REPORT (continued) Portfolio Statement as at 31 December 2023 (continued)

Investments	* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$ equivalent	% of NAV
Listed shares (continued)			
Hong Kong (continued)			
CHINA PETROLEUM & CHEMICAL CORP CHINA RESOURCES BEER (HOLDINGS)	2,406,000	9,840,540	0.18
COLTD	148,000	5,061,600	0.09
CHINA RESOURCES LAND LTD	758,000	21,224,000	0.39
CHINA RESOURCES PHARMACEUTIC	2,941,500	15,089,895	0.28
CHINA RESOURCES POWER HOLDIN	552,000	8,633,280	0.16
CHINASOFT INTERNATIONAL LTD	998,000	5,978,020	0.11
CK HUTCHISON HOLDINGS LTD	245,000	10,253,250	0.19
CLP HOLDINGS LTD	319,000	20,559,550	0.38
CONCH CEMENT CO LTD	949,000	17,119,960	0.32
ENN ENERGY HOLDINGS LTD	114,600	6,589,500	0.12
FUYAO GLASS INDUSTRY GROUP-H	763,600	29,016,800	0.54
GALAXY ENTERTAINMENT GROUP L	316,000	13,825,000	0.26
GANFENG LITHIUM GROUP CO LTD-H	13,400	395,300	0.01
HANGZHOU TIGERMED CONSULTI-H	245,000	8,660,750	0.16
HONG KONG EXCHANGES & CLEAR HKD1	95,800	25,674,400	0.48
HYSAN DEVELOPMENT CO HKD5	737,000	11,423,500	0.21
IND & COMM BK OF CHINA-H	837,000	3,197,340	0.06
JD.COM INC - CL A	402,611	45,293,738	0.84
KUNLUN ENERGY COMPANY LTD	1,482,000	10,433,280	0.19
LENOVO GROUP LTD	1,690,000	18,454,800	0.34
LINK REIT NPV	177,460	7,781,621	0.14
MEITUAN-CLASS B	273,090	22,366,071	0.41
NETEASE INC	482,600	67,853,560	1.26
NEW ORIENTAL EDUCATION & TEC	1,033,100	57,078,775	1.06

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Investments Listed shares (continued)	* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$ equivalent	% of NAV
Hong Kong (continued)			
PETROCHINA CO LTD-H	2,060,000	10,629,600	0.20
PICC PROPERTY & CASUALTY -H	1,126,000	10,449,280	0.19
PING AN INSURANCE GROUP CO-H	304,000	10,746,400	0.20
POWER ASSETS HOLDINGS LTD	382,000	17,285,500	0.32
SINOPHARM GROUP CO-H	244,800	5,006,160	0.09
SUN HUNG KAI PROPERTIES HKD0.50	132,500	11,189,625	0.21
SUNNY OPTICAL TECH	62,500	4,428,125	0.08
TECHTRONIC INDUSTRIES CO	20,000	1,861,000	0.03
TENCENT HOLDINGS LTD	612,200	179,741,920	3.33
TRIP.COM GROUP LTD	29,850	8,286,360	0.15
TSINGTAO BREWERY CO LTD-H	56,000	2,934,400	0.05
WANT WANT CHINA HOLDINGS LTD	1,131,000	5,338,320	0.10
WUXI APPTEC CO LTD-H	307,400	24,422,930	0.45
WUXI BIOLOGICS CAYMAN INC	423,000	12,520,800	0.23
XIAOMI CORP-CLASS B 1810	756,800	11,806,080	0.22
YUM CHINA HOLDINGS INC	36,900	12,258,180	0.23
ZHONGSHENG GROUP HOLDINGS	331,500	6,192,420	0.11
ZHUZHOU CRRC TIMES ELECTRIC	281,500	6,277,450	0.12
ZIJIN MINING GROUP CO LTD-H	2,022,000	25,719,840	0.48
		1,227,483,833	22.73
India			
APL APOLLO TUBES LTD	3,210	462,901	0.01
AXIS BANK LTD	214,715	22,208,938	0.01
BAJAJ AUTO LIMITED INR10	33,819	21,570,470	0.40
CAPLIN POINT LABORATORIES	159,216	20,260,961	0.38
CONTAINER CORP OF INDIA LTD	314,374	25,359,103	0.47
CREDITACCESS GRAMEEN LTD CREDAG	97,699	14,636,534	0.27
HDFC BANK LIMITED	355,893	57,080,878	1.06
HINDUSTAN AERONAUTICS LTD	177,555	46,717,170	0.86
HOME FIRST FINANCE CO INDIA LTD	630,684	55,043,630	1.02
ICICI BANK LTD ICICIBC	194,176	18,158,587	0.34

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Investments	* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$ equivalent	% of NAV
Listed shares (continued)			
India (continued)			
ITC LTD INR1	961,672	41,699,279	0.77
JSW INFRASTRUCTURE LIMITED	1,149,771	22,473,268	0.42
KEI INDUSTRIES LIMITED INR2	201,410	61,412,460	1.14
L & T TECHNOLOGY SERVICES LIMITED	20,945	10,327,960	0.19
LARSEN & TOUBRO LIMITED INR2	64,842	21,453,804	0.40
MAHINDRA & MAHINDRA LTD	69,119	11,216,530	0.21
MARUTI SUZUKI INDIA LTD INR5	28,588	27,636,668	0.51
MAX HEALTHCARE INST LTD	682,355	43,939,827	0.81
NATIONAL THERMAL POWER CORP INR10	1,443,317	42,140,253	0.78
NAVIN FLUORINE INTERNATIONAL	42,687	15,434,153	0.29
NESTLE INDIA LTD INR10	261	650,978	0.01
POWER GRID CORP OF INDIA LTD INR10	2,307,659	51,363,183	0.95
RELIANCE INDUSTRIES LTD	263,272	63,859,046	1.18
SUN PHARMACEUTICAL INDUS	102,401	12,101,821	0.22
SUPREME INDUSTRIES LTD INR2	25,928	11,052,807	0.20
TITAN CO LTD	38,996	13,449,192	0.25
ULTRATECH CEMENT LTD	29,787	29,356,739	0.54
VARUN BEVERAGES LTD	1,270,272	147,433,753	2.73
		908,500,893	16.82
Indonesia			
AKR CORPORINDO TBK PT IDR100	21,833,200	16,332,705	0.30
BANK CENTRAL ASIA TBK PT IDR62.50	8,456,600	40,315,527	0.75
BANK RAKYAT INDONESIA PERSER IDR250	16,028,596	46,539,282	0.86
INDOFOOD CBP SUKSES MAKMUR T IDR100	5,598,600	30,026,763	0.56
MITRA ADIPERKASA TBK PT	17,758,600	16,121,686	0.30
		140.007.050	2 ==
		149,335,963	2.77

INVESTMENT REPORT (continued) Portfolio Statement as at 31 December 2023 (continued)

* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$ equivalent	% of NAV
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1,513,100 1,545,100	15,042,077 19,324,965	0.28 0.36
	34,367,042	0.64
6,398,800 3,147,594 622,200	31,085,010 57,923,189 1,833,748 90,841,947	0.58 1.07 0.03
180,200 89,933 2,533,031 498,000 3,020,400	35,638,818 2,443,812 41,234,927 7,281,458 26,640,524	0.66 0.05 0.76 0.14 0.49
	113,239,539	2.10
6,758 59,186 57,803 85,074 6,404 17,917 114,934 73,458 21,257 26,193	8,256,232 14,676,785 8,078,113 22,385,934 4,834,030 22,106,416 37,699,398 44,537,695 11,070,921 20,724,516	0.15 0.27 0.15 0.41 0.09 0.41 0.70 0.82 0.21 0.38
	1,513,100 1,545,100 1,545,100 6,398,800 3,147,594 622,200 180,200 89,933 2,533,031 498,000 3,020,400 6,758 59,186 57,803 85,074 6,404 17,917 114,934 73,458	holdings value HK\$/HK\$ equivalent 1,513,100

INVESTMENT REPORT (continued) Portfolio Statement as at 31 December 2023 (continued)

Investments Listed shares (continued)	* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$ equivalent	% of NAV
Listed shares (continued)			
South Korea (continued)			
MEGASTUDYEDU CO LTD 215200	15,725	5,787,193	0.11
NAVER CORP	17,717	24,061,729	0.45
POSCO HOLDINGS INC	3,413	10,336,188	0.19
PSK INC/NEW	143,736	18,344,517	0.34
SAMSUNG ELECTRONICS CO LTD	564,754	268,792,784	4.98
SAMSUNG ELECTRONICS-PFD PFD KRW5000	75,791	28,628,218	0.53
SAMSUNG ENGINEERING CO LTD KRW5000 SAMSUNG FIRE & MARINE INS KRW500	64,793 11,320	11,392,387	0.21 0.33
SAMSUNG FIRE & MARINE INS KRW 500 SAMSUNG SDI CO LTD KRW 5000	4,989	18,050,565 14,277,236	0.33
SK HYNIX INC	84,926	72,859,426	1.35
SK INNOVATION CO LTD	4,773	4,060,109	0.08
YOUNGONE CORP KRW 500	28,595	7,905,759	0.15
		678,866,151	12.57
Taiwan			
Tuiwun			
ACCTON TECHNOLOGY CORP TWD10	454,000	60,411,297	1.12
ALCHIP TECHNOLOGIES LTD 3661	69,000	57,493,799	1.06
CATHAY FINANCIAL HOLDING CO	1,896,000	22,069,376	0.41
CTBC FINANCIAL HOLDING CO LT TWD10	4,407,300	31,789,690	0.59
DELTA ELECTRONICS INC TWD10	265,000	21,137,033	0.39
E.SUN FINANCIAL HOLDINGS CO TWD10	1,415,279	9,290,143	0.17
ELITE MATERIAL CO LTD TWD10	51,000	4,956,717	0.09
FENG TAY ENTERPRISE CO LTD TWD10	390,880	17,403,721	0.32
FIRST FINANCIAL HOLDING CO TWD10	1,946,889	13,572,266	0.25
FUBON FINANCIAL HOLDING CO	1,630,300	26,878,384	0.50
GOLD CIRCUIT ELECTRONICS LTD TWD10	886,000	49,141,774	0.91
MEDIATEK INC	129,570	33,460,399	0.62
SINBON ELECTRONINCS CO LTD TWD10	189,000	14,377,839	0.27
TAIWAN SEMICONDUCTOR MANUFAC	2,221,000	335,091,851	6.20
WIWYNN CORP 6669	37,000	17,180,081	0.32
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		714,254,370	13.22

INVESTMENT REPORT (continued)
Portfolio Statement as at 31 December 2023 (continued)

Investments Listed shares (continued)	* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$ equivalent	% of NAV
Thailand			
BANGKOK BANK-FOREIGN REG THB10(ALIEN MKT) BANGKOK DUSIT MED SERVICE-F BANGKOK DUSIT	560,200	20,056,954	0.37
MED SERVICE-F	3,314,100	21,039,534	0.39
BANGKOK EXPRESSWAY AND METRO	6,464,700	11,757,718	0.22
HOME PRODUCT CENTER PCL-FOR THB1(ALIEN MKT)	6,641,700	17,777,580	0.33
THAI OIL PCL-FRGN THB10(ALIEN MKT)	1,084,100	13,330,773	0.24
		83,962,559	1.55
United Kingdom			
AXIS BANK LTD- GDR REG S GDR EACH REPR			
1 INR10 'REGS	68,244	35,117,164	0.65
		35,117,164	0.65
United States			
HDFC BANK LTD-ADR ADS EACH REPR 3 INR10(MGT) ICICI BANK LTD-SPON ADR ADR	31,667	16,594,482	0.31
REP 2 ORD INR10(SPON)	419,452	78,083,283	1.45
INFOSYS LTD-SP ADR SPON ADR EACH REP 1 INR5	185,489	26,621,542	0.49
LARSEN & TOUBRO-GDR REG S GDR-REPR	7 0.400	26 545 100	0.40
1 ORD INR2	79,409	26,545,108	0.49
PDD HOLDINGS INC TAIWAN SEMICONDUCTOR-SP ADR ADS	68,033	77,725,438	1.44
REP 5 ORD TWD10	81,727	66,369,484	1.23
		291,939,337	5.41
Total listed shares		5,226,339,480	96.77

INVESTMENT REPORT (continued)

Portfolio Statement as at 31 December 2023 (continued)

Investments	* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$ equivalent	% of NAV
Delisted Shares		equivalent	
Hong Kong			
PEACE MARK HOLDINGS LTD HKD0.10	2,010,000		
Total delisted shares			
Total investments		5,226,339,480	96.77
Other net assets		174,514,234	3.23
Total net asset value		5,400,853,714	100.00
Total cost of investments		4,808,037,313	

^{*} The value of each holding as a percentage of the total net asset value is accounted for on the trade day.

INVESTMENT REPORT (continued) Portfolio Statement as at 31 December 2023 (continued)

Principal China Equity Fund

Investments Listed shares	* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$ equivalent	% of NAV
China			
AGRICULTURAL BANK OF CHINA-A ALUMINUM CORP OF CHINA LTD APICHOPE PHARMACEUTICAL CO-A BANK OF JIANGSU CO LTD-A BEIJING EASPRING MATERIAL-A BEIJING ORIENTAL YUHONG-A BOE TECHNOLOGY GROUP CO LT-A BOYA BIO-PHARMACEUTICAL GR-A CHINA CONSTRUCTION BANK-A CHINA MOLYBDENUM CO LTD-A CHINA NATIONAL ACCORD MEDI-A CHINA OILFIELD SERVICES-A CHINA PACIFIC INSURANCE GR-A CHONGQING BAIYA SANITARY P-A CIMC VEHICLES GROUP CO LTD-A CITIC SECURITIES CO-A SHARES CONTEMPORARY AMPEREX TECHN-A ENN ECOLOGICAL HOLDINGS CO-A FUYAO GROUP GLASS INDUSTR-A GRINM ADVANCED MATERIAL CO-A	7,393,600 611,200 213,600 2,212,691 193,493 835,541 1,989,200 321,974 1,443,700 1,200,798 353,080 799,583 1,016,900 1,290,600 1,231,896 715,500 71,180 760,000 703,200 813,100	29,512,875 3,780,216 6,987,289 16,233,085 8,105,556 17,592,322 8,507,408 11,891,786 10,306,522 6,847,428 11,224,720 12,819,323 26,518,214 21,455,816 12,671,589 15,982,873 12,743,595 14,018,249 28,832,912 11,047,638	0.90 0.12 0.21 0.50 0.25 0.54 0.26 0.36 0.31 0.21 0.34 0.39 0.81 0.65 0.39 0.49 0.39 0.43 0.88 0.34
GUANGDONG FENGHUA ADVANCED-A HANGZHOU SUNRISE TECHNOLOG-A HUATAI SECURITIES CO LTD-A JIANGSU CHANGJIANG ELECTRONI KWEICHOW MOUTAI CO LTD-A LUXSHARE PRECISION INDUSTR-A LUZHOU LAOJIAO CO LTD-A NARI TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMEN-A NINGBO JOYSON ELECTRONIC-A POLY REAL ESTATE GROUP CO -A QINGDAO GAOCE TECHNOLOGY C-A SHANDONG HI-SPEED ROAD & B-A SHANDONG LINGLONG TYRE CO -A SHANDONG SINOCERA FUNCTION - A SHANGHAI FRIENDESS ELECTRO-A SHANGHAI HANBELL PRECISE -A	908,400 1,207,893 1,322,183 499,800 28,224 377,799 93,052 440,621 827,300 496,100 69,600 1,552,900 811,244 1,212,600 138,445 200,002	13,607,615 18,093,948 20,226,464 16,365,913 53,421,187 14,272,637 18,308,415 10,784,836 16,293,843 5,385,904 2,975,888 9,604,545 17,107,438 30,743,944 38,427,379 4,882,179	0.41 0.55 0.62 0.50 1.63 0.44 0.56 0.33 0.50 0.16 0.09 0.29 0.52 0.94 1.17 0.15
WUXI APPTEC CO LTD-A XGD INC-A	434,126 187,000	34,638,786 4,962,622	1.06 0.15

INVESTMENT REPORT (continued) Portfolio Statement as at 31 December 2023 (continued)

Investments Listed shares (continued)	* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$ equivalent	% of NAV
China (continued)			
ZHEJIANG DAHUA TECHNOLOGY-A ZHEJIANG SHUANGHUAN DRIVEL-A ZHENGZHOU COAL MINING MACH-A	337,700 639,504 1,553,689	6,832,531 18,247,557 21,553,053	0.21 0.56 0.66
		663,816,100	20.27
Hong Kong			
AGRICULTURAL BANK OF CHINA-H AIA GROUP LTD USD1.00 ALIBABA GROUP HOLDING LTD ALUMINUM CORP OF CHINA LTD-H ANHUI EXPRESSWAY CO LTD-H 'H'CNY1 ANTA SPORTS PRODUCTS LTD ASMPT LTD BAIDU INC-CLASS A BANK OF CHINA LTD-H BEIGENE LTD BOC HONG KONG HOLDINGS LTD BYD CO LTD-H CHINA CITIC BANK CORP LTD-H CHINA CONSTRUCTION BANK-H CHINA MOBILE LTD CHINA NEW HIGHER EDUCATION G 2001 CHINA OILFIELD SERVICES-H CHINA OVERSEAS LAND & INVEST CHINA PETROLEUM & CHEMICAL CORP CHINA RESOURCES LAND LTD CHINASOFT INTERNATIONAL LTD CITIC LTD CITIC SECURITIES	17,743,000 481,000 3,239,200 9,712,000 930,000 444,600 36,500 1,148,250 32,259,000 258,400 328,000 490,000 1,741,000 21,526,620 744,000 6,082,000 1,874,000 600,000 3,672,000 1,236,000 6,571,000 2,150,000 884,000	53,406,430 32,732,050 244,883,520 37,876,800 7,161,000 33,678,450 2,719,250 133,311,825 96,131,820 28,449,840 6,953,600 105,056,000 6,406,880 100,098,783 48,211,200 12,954,660 14,954,520 8,256,000 15,018,480 34,608,000 39,360,290 16,770,000 14,090,960 20,818,680	1.63 1.00 7.48 1.16 0.22 1.03 0.08 4.07 2.93 0.87 0.21 3.21 0.20 3.06 1.47 0.40 0.46 0.25 0.46 1.06 1.20 0.51 0.43
DFZQ-H 3958 ENN ENERGY HOLDINGS LTD FAR EAST HORIZON LTD HANG LUNG PROPERTIES LTD HKD1 HANGZHOU TIGERMED CONSULTI-H HORIZON CONSTRUCTION DEVELOP HSBC HOLDINGS PLC	6,034,400 373,500 2,642,000 1,370,000 412,100 97,851 630,000	20,818,680 21,476,250 16,221,880 14,905,600 14,567,735 449,136 39,690,000	0.64 0.66 0.50 0.46 0.44 0.01 1.21

INVESTMENT REPORT (continued) Portfolio Statement as at 31 December 2023 (continued)

Principal China Equity Fund (continued)

Investments	* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$ equivalent	% of NAV
Listed shares (continued)		4	
Hong Kong (continued)			
HUATAI SECURITIES CO LTD-H	1,178,800	11,622,968	0.35
HYGEIA HEALTHCARE HOLDINGS C	923,600	32,603,080	1.00
JD.COM INC - CL A	315,650	35,510,625	1.08
KUNLUN ENERGY COMPANY LTD	5,226,000	36,791,040	1.12
LINK REIT NPV	207,300	9,090,105	0.28
MEITUAN-CLASS B	976,650	79,987,635	2.44
NETEASE INC	636,700	89,520,020	2.73
NEW HORIZON HEALTH LTD	909,000	21,043,350	0.64
PEOPLE'S INSURANCE	8,470,000	20,328,000	0.62
PETROCHINA CO LTD-H	7,032,000	36,285,120	1.11
PICC PROPERTY & CASUALTY -H	4,280,000	39,718,400	1.21
PING AN INSURANCE GROUP CO-H	1,281,500	45,301,025	1.38
SAMSONITE INTERNATIONAL SA	2,193,900	56,492,925	1.72
SEMICONDUCTOR MANUFACTURING 981	569,500	11,310,270	0.35
SIMCERE PHARMACEUTICAL GROUP	4,941,000	33,252,930	1.02
SINOPHARM GROUP CO-H	343,200	7,018,440	0.21
TENCENT HOLDINGS LTD	1,006,800	295,596,480	9.02
TRIP.COM GROUP LTD	216,550	60,114,280	1.84
TSINGTAO BREWERY CO LTD-H	322,000	16,872,800	0.52
WUXI APPTEC CO LTD-H	205,100	16,295,195	0.50
XIAOMI CORP-CLASS B 1810	1,348,200	21,031,920	0.64
XPENG INC - CLASS A SHARES	586,088	33,231,190	1.01
YADEA GROUP HOLDINGS LTD	1,840,000	25,244,800	0.77
YUM CHINA HOLDINGS INC	133,600	44,381,920	1.35
ZAI LAB LTD	322,100	6,925,150	0.21
ZHUZHOU CRRC TIMES ELECTRIC	1,512,500	33,728,750	1.03
ZTE CORP-H	1,448,200	25,256,608	0.77
ZTO EXPRESS CAYMAN INC	34,400	5,572,800	0.17
		2,371,347,465	72.40

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Principal China Equity Fund (continued)

Investments	* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$ equivalent	% of NAV
Listed shares (continued)		•	
Singapore			
YANGZIJIANG SHIPBUILDING NPV	5,060,900	44,638,137	1.36
United States			
PDD HOLDINGS INC	65,104	74,379,153	2.27
ZTO EXPRESS CAYMAN INC-ADR	173,107	28,764,432	0.88
		103,143,585	3.15
Total listed shares		3,182,945,287	97.18
Total investments		3,182,945,287	97.18
Other net assets		92,517,577	2.82
Total net asset value		3,275,462,864	100.00
Total cost of investments		3,742,017,465	

The value of each holding as a percentage of the total net asset value is accounted for on the trade day.

INVESTMENT REPORT (continued) Portfolio Statement as at 31 December 2023 (continued)

Principal European Equity Fund

Investments	* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$ equivalent	% of NAV
Listed shares		equivalent	
Austria			
ANDRITZ AG NPV (BR)	24,656	11,994,882	0.52
Belgium			
ARGENX SE ARGX	3,283	9,727,290	0.42
Denmark			
GENMAB A/S DKK1 (BEARER)	5,472	13,644,707	0.59
NOVO NORDISK A/S-B PANDORA A/S DKK1	140,557 32,183	113,537,931 34,751,385	4.95 1.51
		161,934,023	7.05
Finland			
	50 174	7.757.605	0.24
KESKO OYJ-B SHS EUR2 SER'B'	50,174	7,757,685	0.34
France			
AIR LIQUIDE SA EUR5.50	22,128	33,615,926	1.46
AXA SA CSLI	130,012	33,071,390	1.44
DANONE EUR0.25 DASSAULT SYSTEMES SE	55,787 45,106	28,236,922 17,210,544	1.23 0.75
HERMES INTERNATIONAL NPV	2,756	45,614,526	1.99
IPSEN EUR1	14,583	13,572,585	0.59
L'OREAL EUR0.20	13,003	50,544,881	2.20
LVMH MOET HENNESSY LOUIS VUI EUR0.30	10,662	67,467,131	2.94
PUBLICIS GROUPE EUR0.40	40,735	29,514,896	1.29
REXEL SA EUR5	72,739	15,541,308	0.68
SANOFI SAN	63,323	49,027,367	2.13
SCHNEIDER ELECTRIC SE	37,814	59,291,572	2.58
SOCIETE GENERALE EUR1.25	74,177	15,371,877	0.67
SODEXO EUR4	22,720	19,523,115	0.85
SPIE SA - W/I SPIE	36,690	8,956,295	0.39
THALES SA EUR3	15,425	17,822,234	0.78
VINCI SA EUR2.50	37,235	36,517,923	1.59
		540,900,492	23.56

INVESTMENT REPORT (continued) Portfolio Statement as at 31 December 2023 (continued)

Investments	* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$ equivalent	% of NAV
Listed shares (continued)			
Germany			
AIXTRON SE GEA GROUP AG NPV HANNOVER RUECK SE HEIDELBERG MATERIALS AG MUENCHENER RUECKVER AG-REG NPV(REGD) NEMETSCHEK SE	50,661 26,294 11,227 25,233 11,004 16,255	16,893,897 8,548,247 20,946,646 17,616,772 35,603,434 11,003,737	0.74 0.37 0.91 0.77 1.55 0.48
Greece			
JUMBO SA EUR1.19 NATIONAL BANK OF GREECE ETE PIRAEUS FINANCIAL HOLDINGS S	70,063 384,256 406,410	15,181,078 20,848,055 11,217,824 47,246,957	0.66 0.91 0.49 2.06
Ireland			
AIB GROUP PLC BANK OF IRELAND GROUP PLC BIRG KINGSPAN GROUP PLC ORD EUR0.13	412,864 206,901 31,062	13,817,612 14,666,381 21,005,824 49,489,817	0.60 0.64 0.92
Italy			
CNH INDUSTRIAL NV CNH INDUSTRIAL NV FERRARI NV RACE UNICREDIT SPA UCGM	127,047 7,387 130,898	12,142,229 19,446,743 27,736,012 59,324,984	0.53 0.84 1.21 2.58
Netherlands			
ASM INTERNATIONAL N.V. EUR0.04 ASML HOLDING NV EUR0.09 (POST SPLIT) BE SEMICONDUCTOR INDUSTRIES EXOR NV ING GROEP NV-CVA	6,134 15,230 12,697 17,329 218,140	24,865,069 89,554,506 14,944,070 13,527,462 25,450,653	1.08 3.90 0.65 0.59 1.11
29		168,341,760	7.33

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Portfolio Statement as at 31 December 2023 (continued)

Investments	* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$	% of NAV
Listed shares (continued)		equivalent	
Norway			
EQUINOR ASA NORSK HYDRO ASA NOK1.098	64,340 138,485	15,936,738 7,283,147	0.69
		23,219,885	1.01
Portugal			
JERONIMO MARTINS EUR1.	43,963	8,737,034	0.38
Spain			
IBERDROLA SA EUR0.75 INDUSTRIA DE DISENO TEXTIL ITX	498,962 88,335	51,087,239 30,043,729	2.22
		81,130,968	3.53
Sweden			
AAK AB ALFA LAVAL AB NPV ATLAS COPCO AB-A SHS HMS NETWORKS AB HMS INDUTRADE AB NPV INVESTOR AB-B SHS NIBE INDUSTRIER AB-B SHS NORDEA BANK ABP	58,247 60,123 256,454 17,183 77,455 171,757 178,526 139,191	10,145,505 18,792,317 34,485,607 6,622,295 15,711,689 31,074,569 9,793,513 13,450,891	0.44 0.82 1.50 0.29 0.68 1.35 0.43 0.59
Switzerland			
ABB LTD-REG CHF1.03 (REGD) ALCON INC NESTLE SA-REG CHF0.10 (REGD) ROCHE HOLDING AG-GENUSSCHEIN ROG STRAUMANN HOLDING AG-REG	95,320 19,359 42,712 24,319 12,438	32,986,084 11,789,337 38,639,986 55,164,854 15,647,614	1.45 0.51 1.68 2.40 0.68

INVESTMENT REPORT (continued) Portfolio Statement as at 31 December 2023 (continued)

Investments	* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$ equivalent	% of NAV
Listed shares (continued)			
United Kingdom			
3I GROUP PLC ORD GBP0.738636	196,457	47,344,976	2.06
ASHTEAD GROUP PLC ORD GBP0.10	47,370	25,755,304	1.12
ASTRAZENECA PLC ORD USD0.25	76,589	80,813,491	3.52
BAE SYSTEMS PLC ORD GBP0.025	352,423	38,957,799	1.70
BP PLC ORD USD0.25	742,684	34,462,070	1.50
COMPASS GROUP PLC	108,162	23,105,535	1.01
CRH PLC ORD EUR0.32	63,236	34,054,402	1.48
DIPLOMA PLC ORD GBP0.05	39,099	13,941,286	0.61
INTERMEDIATE CAPITAL GROUP	67,464	11,285,536	0.49
JD SPORTS FASHION	1,562,909	25,817,997	1.13
LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE GROUP ORD			
GBP0.06918604	19,987	18,451,272	0.80
OSB GROUP PLC	264,396	12,227,726	0.53
PARAGON BANKING GROUP PLC	277,796	19,287,760	0.84
QINETIQ PLC ORD GBP0.01	221,649	6,817,668	0.30
RIO TINTO PLC ORD GBP0.10	52,886	30,754,869	1.34
ROLLS-ROYCE HOLDINGS PLC	643,034	19,183,696	0.84
SAGE GROUP PLC/THE	96,065	11,212,169	0.49
SHELL PLC-NEW	294,401	75,359,396	3.28
SMITH & NEPHEW PLC ORD USD0.20	86,376	9,273,098	0.40
SSE PLC ORD GBP0.50	107,771	19,910,927	0.87
TAYLOR WIMPEY PLC ORD GBP0.01	1,303,409	19,079,076	0.83
UNILEVER PLC ORD GBP0.031111	118,551	44,843,595	1.95
WEIR GROUP PLC/THE ORD GBP0.125	104,982	19,714,386	0.86
WH SMITH PLC GBP0.2209	76,800	10,198,320	0.44
		651,852,354	28.39
Total listed shares		2,226,575,125	96.97

INVESTMENT REPORT (continued) Portfolio Statement as at 31 December 2023 (continued)

Investments Forward contracts	Counterparties	Maturity	* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$ equivalent	% of NAV
Hong Kong					
Buy CHF Sell HKD FWD Rate 9.286414	State Street Bank	11.01.2024	24,708,384	1,775,930	0.08
Buy CHF Sell HKD FWD Rate 9.286414	State Street Bank	11.01.2024	7,914,866	393,568	0.02
Buy CHF Sell HKD FWD Rate 9.286414	State Street Bank	11.01.2024	8,873,504	374,647	0.02
Buy EUR Sell HKD FWD Rate 8.627404	State Street Bank	11.01.2024	34,969,755	857,267	0.04
Buy EUR Sell HKD FWD Rate 8.627404	ANZ Bank SYD	11.01.2024	12,026,265	380,477	0.02
Buy EUR Sell HKD FWD Rate 8.627404	ANZ Bank SYD	11.01.2024	29,052,617	1,198,556	0.05
Buy EUR Sell HKD FWD Rate 8.627404	ANZ Bank SYD	11.01.2024	41,556,609	940,775	0.04
Buy EUR Sell HKD FWD Rate 8.627404	ANZ Bank SYD	11.01.2024	7,548,861	356,084	0.01
Buy EUR Sell HKD FWD Rate 8.627404	ANZ Bank SYD	11.01.2024	8,048,580	202,686	0.01
Buy GBP Sell HKD FWD Rate 9.952243	State Street Bank	11.01.2024	9,713,075	470,258	0.02
Buy GBP Sell HKD FWD Rate 9.952243	State Street Bank	11.01.2024	17,535,205	346,826	0.01
Buy GBP Sell HKD FWD Rate 9.952243	State Street Bank	11.01.2024	7,418,200	85,204	0.00

INVESTMENT REPORT (continued) Portfolio Statement as at 31 December 2023 (continued)

Investments	Counterparties	Maturity	* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$ equivalent	% of NAV
Forward contracts (cont	inued)			1	
Hong Kong (continued)					
Buy GBP Sell HKD FWD Rate 9.952243	ANZ Bank SYD	11.01.2024	13,393,010	79,730	0.00
Buy GBP Sell HKD FWD Rate 9.952243	Royal Bank of Canada	11.01.2024	20,347,180	301,993	0.01
Buy HKD Sell CHF FWD Rate 9.286414	State Street Bank	11.01.2024	93,459,288	(3,981,442)	(0.17)
Buy HKD Sell DKK FWD Rate 1.157486	State Street Bank	11.01.2024	58,792,668	(1,377,849)	(0.06)
Buy HKD Sell EUR FWD Rate 8.627404	State Street Bank	11.01.2024	7,267,830	(240,871)	(0.01)
Buy HKD Sell EUR FWD Rate 8.627404	State Street Bank	11.01.2024	7,631,185	(97,638)	(0.01)
Buy HKD Sell EUR FWD Rate 8.627404	State Street Bank	11.01.2024	9,557,688	(217,040)	(0.01)
Buy HKD Sell EUR FWD Rate 8.627404	State Street Bank	11.01.2024	9,752,227	(96,661)	(0.01)
Buy HKD Sell EUR FWD Rate 8.627404	ANZ Bank SYD	11.01.2024	453,140,197	(11,209,304)	(0.49)
Buy HKD Sell EUR FWD Rate 8.627404	ANZ Bank SYD	11.01.2024	9,121,180	(231,242)	(0.01)
Buy HKD Sell GBP FWD Rate 9.952243	State Street Bank	11.01.2024	14,324,086	(550,472)	(0.02)
Buy HKD Sell GBP FWD Rate 9.952243	State Street Bank	11.01.2024	8,441,550	(213,622)	(0.01)

INVESTMENT REPORT (continued) Portfolio Statement as at 31 December 2023 (continued)

Investments Forward contracts (cont	Counterparties	Maturity	* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$ equivalent	% of NAV
Forward contracts (cont	mueu)				
Hong Kong (continued)					
Buy HKD Sell GBP FWD Rate 9.952243	ANZ Bank SYD	11.01.2024	10,075,332	(41,639)	(0.00)
Buy HKD Sell GBP FWD Rate 9.952243	Royal Bank of Canada	11.01.2024	249,717,829	(3,719,805)	(0.16)
Buy HKD Sell NOK FWD Rate 1.300553	State Street Bank	11.01.2024	17,578,510	(971,441)	(0.04)
Buy HKD Sell SEK FWD Rate 1.290348	State Street Bank	11.01.2024	46,472,986	(4,507,045)	(0.20)
Buy HKD Sell USD FWD Rate 0.1281	State Street Bank	11.01.2024	10,000,000	2,945	0.00
Buy HKD Sell USD FWD Rate 0.1281	State Street Bank	11.01.2024	8,254,398	2,962	0.00
Buy HKD Sell USD FWD Rate 0.1281	ANZ Bank SYD	11.01.2024	12,552,072	2,338	0.00
Buy HKD Sell USD FWD Rate 0.1281	Royal Bank of Canada	11.01.2024	36,418,248	8,392	0.00
Buy NOK Sell HKD FWD Rate 1.300553	State Street Bank	11.01.2024	7,967,611	399,503	0.02
Buy SEK Sell HKD FWD Rate 1.290348	State Street Bank	11.01.2024	8,548,262	831,827	0.04
Buy USD Sell HKD FWD Rate 0.1281	ANZ Bank SYD	11.01.2024	9,343,045	(12,787)	(0.00)
Buy USD Sell HKD FWD Rate 0.1281	ANZ Bank SYD	11.01.2024	14,206,351	(5,266)	(0.00)

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Portfolio Statement as at 31 December 2023 (continued)

Investments	Counterparties	Maturity	* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$ equivalent	% of NAV
Forward contracts (cont	inued)				
Hong Kong (continued)					
Buy USD Sell HKD FWD Rate 0.1281	ANZ Bank SYD	11.01.2024	14,854,825	(19,572)	(0.00)
Buy USD Sell HKD FWD Rate 0.1281	ANZ Bank SYD	11.01.2024	7,763,804	(8,542)	(0.00)
				(18,490,270)	(0.81)
Total forward contracts				(18,490,270)	(0.81)
Total investments				2,208,084,855	96.16
Other net assets				88,072,956	3.84
Total net asset value				2,296,157,811	100.00
Total cost of investments	S			1,793,159,603	

^{*} The value of each holding as a percentage of the total net asset value is accounted for on the trade day.

INVESTMENT REPORT (continued) Portfolio Statement as at 31 December 2023 (continued)

Principal Hong Kong Bond Fund

Investments	* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$ equivalent	% of NAV
Listed/quoted debt instruments			
Certificates of deposit			
Denominated in Hong Kong Dollar			
CHINA DEVELOPMENT BANK/HONG	17 000 000	16,000,175	0.46
KONG CD 4.15% 26NOV2025 CHINA DEVELOPMENT BANK/HONG	17,000,000	16,989,175	0.46
KONG CD 4.27% 3MAR2025	70,000,000	69,819,794	1.88
CHINA DEVELOPMENT BANK/HONG	, ,	, ,	
KONG CD 4.38% 15DEC2025	17,000,000	17,068,054	0.46
CHINA DEVELOPMENT BANK/HONG	65 000 000	65 400 712	1 76
KONG CD 4.47% 14JAN2026 FIRST ABU DHABI BANK PJSC/HONG	65,000,000	65,499,713	1.76
KONG CD 1.28% 10FEB2026	47,000,000	43,811,041	1.18
MIZUHO BANK LTD/HONG KONG CD	, ,	, ,	
0.7% 15JUN2024	39,000,000	38,256,523	1.03
MIZUHO BANK LTD/HONG KONG CD 1.35% 23NOV2024	57,000,000	55,348,140	1.49
SHINHAN BANK/HONG KONG CD 4.53%	37,000,000	33,346,140	1.49
24MAY2024	35,000,000	34,969,285	0.94
SUMITOMO MITSUI BANKING			
CORP/HONG KONG CD 2% 19AUG2024	50,000,000	49,018,430	1.32
SUMITOMO MITSUI BANKING CORP/HONG KONG CD 4.3% 5APR2028	30,000,000	30,451,323	0.82
UNITED OVERSEAS BANK LTD/HONG	30,000,000	30,431,323	0.82
KONG CD 4.77% 3MAR2025	140,000,000	140,362,278	3.78
Total certificates of deposit		561,593,756	15.12
Non-certificates of deposit			
Denominated in Hong Kong Dollar			
AIA GROUP LTD 2.25% 28MAR2024	40,000,000	39,779,600	1.07
AIA GROUP LTD 3.68% 16JAN2031	110,000,000	106,466,536	2.87
AIRPORT AUTHORITY 1.95% 16JUN2027	16,000,000	15,028,251	0.40
AIRPORT AUTHORITY 2.3% 24APR2030	110,000,000	100,207,866	2.70
AIRPORT AUTHORITY 2.8% 26MAY2024	79,000,000	78,346,915	2.11
AIRPORT AUTHORITY 2.8% 6JUN2024	25,000,000	24,787,453	0.67
AIRPORT AUTHORITY 3.2% 15AUG2027	15,000,000	14,670,143	0.40
AIRPORT AUTHORITY 3.3% 8AUG2027	15,000,000	14,721,752	0.40
BOC AVIATION LTD 3.6% 11FEB2026 CAPITALAND ASCENDAS REIT 3%	36,000,000	35,390,520	0.95
4FEB2026	14,000,000	13,586,440	0.36
CAPITALAND ASCENDAS REIT 3.08%	2 .,000,000	,_,_,,,,,	3.23
17FEB2032	15,000,000	13,208,628	0.35

INVESTMENT REPORT (continued) Portfolio Statement as at 31 December 2023 (continued)

Investments	* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$ equivalent	% of NAV
Listed/quoted debt instruments (continued)			
Non-certificates of deposit (continued)			
Denominated in Hong Kong Dollar (continued) CAPITALAND ASCENDAS REIT 3.57%			
20MAR2029	20,000,000	19,312,312	0.52
CITIGROUP INC 1.56% 1JUN2027	15,000,000	13,600,633	0.37
CK PROPERTY FINANCE MTN LTD 2.69%			
1SEP2027	26,000,000	24,645,847	0.66
CK PROPERTY FINANCE MTN LTD 3.57%	42 000 000	41 5 60 005	1 10
5SEP2028	43,000,000	41,760,035	1.12
CLP POWER HONG KONG FINANCING	76,000,000	71 007 461	1.02
LTD 3.22% 20MAR2030 CLP POWER HONG KONG FINANCING	76,000,000	71,907,461	1.93
LTD 3.41% 4NOV2025	38,000,000	37,360,730	1.01
CLP POWER HONG KONG FINANCING	38,000,000	37,300,730	1.01
LTD 3.45% 1MAR2027	14,000,000	13,735,861	0.37
CLP POWER HONG KONG FINANCING	14,000,000	13,733,001	0.57
LTD 3.97% 23MAR2026	12,000,000	11,943,001	0.32
CMT MTN PTE LTD 2.53% 1FEB2033	32,000,000	27,142,720	0.73
CORP ANDINA DE FOMENTO 2.89%	,,	_,,_,_,	
18MAR2026	31,000,000	29,941,350	0.81
CORP ANDINA DE FOMENTO 3.265%	, ,	, ,	
24MAR2027	8,000,000	7,706,109	0.21
GENERAL PROPERTY TRUST 2.2%			
18NOV2030	12,000,000	10,429,100	0.28
GENERAL PROPERTY TRUST 3.5%			
23MAR2031	16,000,000	15,075,584	0.41
GPT RE LTD 5.4% 19OCT2033	10,000,000	10,789,658	0.29
HKCG FINANCE LTD 1.98% 21AUG2030	25,000,000	21,728,250	0.59
HKCG FINANCE LTD 2.3% 17JUN2026	21,000,000	20,113,695	0.54
HKCG FINANCE LTD 2.7% 7FEB2030	48,000,000	44,245,982	1.19
HKCG FINANCE LTD 2.84% 17NOV2027	40,000,000	38,222,676	1.03
HKCG FINANCE LTD 2.85% 10NOV2025	40,000,000	39,007,080	1.05
HKCG FINANCE LTD 3.25% 11MAY2030	31,000,000	29,348,537	0.79
HKCG FINANCE LTD 4.85% 8AUG2039	10,000,000	10,159,069	0.27
HKCG FINANCE LTD 5% 12JAN2050 HONG KONG GOVERNMENT BOND 0.8%	15,000,000	14,592,999	0.39
27AUG2027	9,000,000	8,318,157	0.22
HONG KONG GOVERNMENT BOND 1.49%	9,000,000	0,310,137	0.22
22FEB2028	25,000,000	23,572,160	0.63
HONG KONG GOVERNMENT BOND 1.51%	23,000,000	23,372,100	0.03
24FEB2027	30,000,000	28,626,594	0.77
HONG KONG GOVERNMENT BOND	20,000,000	20,020,071	5.77
PROGRAMME 1.25% 29JUN2027	65,000,000	61,288,617	1.65
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INVESTMENT REPORT (continued) Portfolio Statement as at 31 December 2023 (continued)

Investments	* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$ equivalent	% of NAV
Listed/quoted debt instruments (continued)			
Non-certificates of deposit (continued)			
Denominated in Hong Kong Dollar (continued) HONG KONG GOVERNMENT BOND			
PROGRAMME 1.89% 2MAR2032 HONG KONG GOVERNMENT BOND	38,000,000	35,101,227	0.95
PROGRAMME 1.97% 17JAN2029	10,000,000	9,573,571	0.26
HONG KONG GOVERNMENT BOND PROGRAMME 2.02% 7MAR2034	63,000,000	56,637,265	1.53
HONG KONG GOVERNMENT BOND PROGRAMME 3.3% 26MAY2042	5,000,000	4,720,650	0.13
HONG KONG MORTGAGE CORP LTD/THE 2.45% 1MAR2029	92,000,000	85,648,559	2.31
HONG KONG MORTGAGE CORP LTD/THE 2.47% 15MAR2029	65,000,000	60,552,616	1.63
HONG KONG MORTGAGE CORP LTD/THE 2.98% 2APR2049	30,000,000	23,519,754	0.63
HONG KONG MORTGAGE CORP LTD/THE			
3.2% 16OCT2028 HONG KONG MORTGAGE CORP LTD/THE	74,000,000	71,595,414	1.93
4.3% 7FEB2024 HONG KONG MORTGAGE CORP LTD/THE	20,000,000	19,978,154	0.54
4.68% 12SEP2025 HONG KONG SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY	15,000,000	15,121,401	0.41
PARKS CORP 3.2% 11JUL2024 HONGKONG ELECTRIC FINANCE LTD 2.55%	90,000,000	89,339,841	2.41
1AUG2028	11,000,000	10,262,025	0.28
HONGKONG ELECTRIC FINANCE LTD 3.4% 16JUL2027	22,000,000	21,493,837	0.58
HONGKONG ELECTRIC FINANCE LTD 3.84% 27JUN2029	14,000,000	13,660,223	0.37
HONGKONG ELECTRIC FINANCE LTD 3.95% 10MAY2030	25,000,000	24,759,750	0.67
HONGKONG LAND NOTES CO LTD/THE 2.65% 18AUG2035	6,000,000	4,942,860	0.13
HONGKONG LAND NOTES CO LTD/THE 2.9% 2JUL2035	10,000,000	8,426,942	0.23
HSBC HOLDINGS PLC 1.55% 3JUN2027	100,000,000	89,399,250	2.41
KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY CORP 4.13% 15MAY2024	20,000,000	19,949,541	0.54
LINK FINANCE CAYMAN 2009 LTD/THE 2.18% 27OCT2038	22,500,000	16,483,950	0.44
LINK FINANCE CAYMAN 2009 LTD/THE 3.55% 28JUN2027	30,000,000	29,397,492	0.79
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Portfolio Statement as at 31 December 2023 (continued)

Investments	* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$ equivalent	% of NAV
Listed/quoted debt instruments (continued)		•	
Non-certificates of deposit (continued)			
Denominated in Hong Kong Dollar (continued) METROPOLITAN LIFE GLOBAL FUNDING I			
1.8% 14JAN2027	15,000,000	14,247,967	0.38
MTR CORP CI LTD 2.25% 28DEC2024	55,000,000	53,867,104	1.45
MTR CORP CI LTD 2.25% 4DEC2025	20,000,000	19,333,396	0.52
MTR CORP CI LTD 2.46% 20SEP2032	19,000,000	16,849,907	0.45
MTR CORP CI LTD 2.65% 9APR2025	20,000,000	19,598,934	0.53
MTR CORP CI LTD 2.83% 6SEP2047	39,000,000	30,344,882	0.82
MTR CORP CI LTD 3% 9NOV2045	10,000,000	8,226,654	0.22
MTR CORP LTD 3.95% 29MAY2025	20,000,000	19,917,600	0.54
MTR CORP LTD 4.5% 22FEB2025	75,000,000	75,097,117	2.02
MTR CORP LTD 4.7% 9MAR2025	40,000,000	40,139,956	1.08
NATIONAL AUSTRALIA BANK LTD 2.4%	24,000,000	22 070 722	0.62
18JUN2026 NATIONAL AUSTRALIA BANK LTD 3.185%	24,000,000	22,978,733	0.62
16MAR2028	20,000,000	19,135,188	0.51
NATIONAL AUSTRALIA BANK LTD 4.28%	20,000,000	19,133,100	0.51
21FEB2025	20,000,000	19,891,522	0.54
PSA INTERNATIONAL PTE LTD 4.27%	20,000,000	19,091,322	0.54
11FEB2025	15,000,000	14,950,200	0.40
PSA TREASURY PTE LTD 2.6597%	13,000,000	14,550,200	0.40
25FEB2031	15,000,000	13,587,900	0.37
PSA TREASURY PTE LTD 3.96% 20MAY2032	70,000,000	68,573,127	1.85
ROYAL BANK OF CANADA 4.5% 1FEB2028	10,000,000	9,967,800	0.27
ROYAL BANK OF CANADA 4.8% 23JUN2026	15,000,000	15,100,500	0.41
ROYAL BANK OF CANADA 4.885%	10,000,000	10,100,000	01.12
7JUL2026	15,000,000	15,131,013	0.41
ROYAL BANK OF CANADA 5.17%	, ,	, ,	
9MAR2028	12,000,000	12,259,666	0.33
STANDARD CHARTERED BANK 3.875%	, ,	, ,	
5MAY2026	15,000,000	14,835,606	0.40
STANDARD CHARTERED PLC 4%			
27JUN2025	52,000,000	51,300,080	1.38
STANDARD CHARTERED PLC 4.75%			
14JUN2026	50,000,000	49,847,785	1.34
STATE GRID OVERSEAS INVESTMENT BVI			
LTD 2.85% 17APR2029	26,000,000	24,323,055	0.66
SUN HUNG KAI PROPERTIES CAPITAL			
MARKET LTD 2.55% 16AUG2024	59,000,000	58,227,100	1.57
SUN HUNG KAI PROPERTIES CAPITAL			
MARKET LTD 3.12% 15FEB2026	45,000,000	43,967,038	1.18

INVESTMENT REPORT (continued) Portfolio Statement as at 31 December 2023 (continued)

Investments	* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$ equivalent	% of NAV
Listed/quoted debt instruments (continued)			
Non-certificates of deposit (continued)			
Denominated in Hong Kong Dollar (continued) SUN HUNG KAI PROPERTIES CAPITAL			
MARKET LTD 3.38% 18JAN2029 SUN HUNG KAI PROPERTIES CAPITAL	27,500,000	26,382,483	0.71
MARKET LTD 3.88% 22NOV2028 SWIRE PACIFIC MTN FINANCING HK LTD	40,000,000	39,369,668	1.06
2.35% 25JAN2031 SWIRE PACIFIC MTN FINANCING HK LTD	37,000,000	32,237,730	0.87
2.55% 2MAR2027 SWIRE PACIFIC MTN FINANCING HK LTD	15,000,000	14,226,317	0.38
3.01% 28MAY2029 SWIRE PACIFIC MTN FINANCING LTD 3.35%	20,000,000	18,758,726	0.51
31JUL2025 SWIRE PROPERTIES MTN FINANCING LTD	11,000,000	10,817,721	0.29
2.45% 22JUN2028 SWIRE PROPERTIES MTN FINANCING LTD	25,000,000	23,169,828	0.62
3% 7APR2027 SWIRE PROPERTIES MTN FINANCING LTD	21,000,000	20,010,480	0.54
3.1% 24OCT2024 VICTORIA POWER NETWORKS FINANCE	36,000,000	35,545,475	0.96
PTY LTD 2.1% 16MAY2031 VICTORIA POWER NETWORKS FINANCE	33,000,000	28,249,980	0.76
PTY LTD 3.29% 24FEB2027	40,000,000	38,707,484	1.04
WELLS FARGO & CO 3% 5JUN2025 WHARF REIC FINANCE BVI LTD 2.1%	42,500,000	41,259,102	1.11
16MAR2027 WHARF REIC FINANCE BVI LTD 2.55%	15,000,000	14,014,650	0.38
16APR2025	20,000,000	19,466,844	0.52
		2,955,248,961	79.60
Denominated in United States Dollar AIRPORT AUTHORITY 3.25% 12JAN2052	4,000,000	23,960,243	0.65
CK HUTCHISON INTERNATIONAL 23 LTD 4.875% 21APR2033	3,000,000	23,480,593	0.63
SUN HUNG KAI PROPERTIES CAPITAL MARKET LTD 2.75% 13MAY2030	2,500,000	16,957,209	0.46
TEMASEK FINANCIAL I LTD 1.625% 2AUG2031	1,400,000	9,042,910	0.24
UNITED STATES TREASURY NOTE/BOND 3.875% 15AUG2033	1,000,000	7,798,774	0.21

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Investments	* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$ equivalent	% of NAV
Listed/quoted debt instruments (continued)		1	
Non-certificates of deposit (continued)			
Denominated in United States Dollar (continued) UNITED STATES TREASURY NOTE/BOND			
4.125% 15AUG2053 UNITED STATES TREASURY NOTE/BOND	1,250,000	9,865,901	0.27
4.75% 15NOV2053	1,500,000	13,134,810	0.35
		104,240,440	2.81
Total non-certificates of deposit		3,059,489,401	82.41
Total listed/quoted debt instruments		3,621,083,157	97.53
Total investments		3,621,083,157	97.53
Other net assets		91,722,380	2.47
Total net asset value		3,712,805,537	100.00
Total cost of investments		3,788,405,722	

^{*} The value of each holding as a percentage of the total net asset value is accounted for on the trade day.

INVESTMENT REPORT (continued) Portfolio Statement as at 31 December 2023 (continued)

Principal Hong Kong Dollar Savings Fund

Investments	* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$ equivalent	% of NAV
Listed/quoted debt instruments			
Certificates of deposit			
Denominated in Hong Kong Dollar AGRICULTURAL BANK OF CHINA LTD/DIFC CD 4.6% 25NOV2024	25,000,000	25,098,106	0.84
AGRICULTURAL BANK OF CHINA	23,000,000	23,070,100	0.04
LTD/MACAO CD 4.55% 1NOV2024 COOPERATIEVE RABOBANK UA/HONG	15,000,000	15,062,179	0.51
KONG CD 4.8% 14JUN2024 INDUSTRIAL & COMMERCIAL BANK OF	13,000,000	13,016,852	0.44
CHINA LTD/SEOUL CD 4.55% 27NOV2024 INDUSTRIAL & COMMERCIAL BANK OF	40,000,000	40,217,536	1.35
CHINA LTD/SYDNEY CD 4.22% 8FEB2024 INDUSTRIAL & COMMERCIAL BANK OF	3,000,000	2,997,870	0.10
CHINA LTD/SYDNEY CD 4.55% 20NOV2024 INDUSTRIAL & COMMERCIAL BANK OF	20,000,000	20,105,456	0.68
CHINA LTD/TOKYO CD 0% 26NOV2024	11,000,000	10,535,042	0.35
UNITED OVERSEAS BANK LTD/HONG KONG CD 4.77% 3MAR2025	15,000,000	15,038,815	0.51
Total certificates of deposit		142,071,856	4.78
Non-certificates of deposit			
Denominated in Hong Kong Dollar AIA GROUP LTD 2.25% 28MAR2024 AUSTRALIA & NEW ZEALAND BANKING	41,000,000	40,774,090	1.37
GROUP LTD 5.18% 14JUL2024 AUSTRALIA & NEW ZEALAND BANKING	15,000,000	15,003,572	0.50
GROUP LTD 5.27% 27JUL2024 AUSTRALIA & NEW ZEALAND BANKING	48,000,000	48,045,403	1.62
GROUP LTD 5.46% 4AUG2024	12,000,000	12,025,885	0.40
BANK OF MONTREAL 4.875% 2JUL2024	10,000,000	9,973,342	0.34
BANK OF MONTREAL 5.32% 6OCT2024 BANK OF MONTREAL/TORONTO 4.25%	30,000,000	30,075,321	1.01
21APR2024 BANK OF NOVA SCOTIA/THE 4.73%	60,000,000	59,742,492	2.01
7JUN2024	28,000,000	27,934,214	0.94
BMW FINANCE NV 2.74% 24MAY2024 BOCOM LEASING MANAGEMENT HONG	8,000,000	7,926,874	0.27
KONG CO LTD 1.07% 27SEP2024	32,000,000	31,099,520	1.05

INVESTMENT REPORT (continued)
Portfolio Statement as at 31 December 2023 (continued)

Principal Hong Kong Dollar Savings Fund (continued)

Investments	* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$ equivalent	% of NAV
Listed/quoted debt instruments (continued)			
Non-certificates of deposit (continued)			
Denominated in Hong Kong Dollar (continued)			
BOCOM LEASING MANAGEMENT HONG	07.000.000	04.004.740	• • •
KONG CO LTD 4.85% 7MAR2024	85,000,000	84,891,710	2.85
CAPITALAND ASCENDAS REIT 3.66%	25 000 000	24 504 409	1 16
16MAY2025 CDBL FUNDING 2 4.7% 8FEB2024	35,000,000 163,000,000	34,504,498 162,933,121	1.16 5.48
CDBL FUNDING 2 4.7% 8FEB2024 CDBL FUNDING 2 4.85% 22FEB2024	3,000,000	2,998,920	0.10
CDBL FUNDING 2 4.85% 9MAR2024	22,000,000	21,989,840	0.10
CIMB BANK BHD 0.88% 5MAY2024	59,000,000	58,075,954	1.95
CITIGROUP GLOBAL MARKETS HOLDINGS	27,000,000	30,073,731	1.75
INC/UNITED STATES 4.05% 17AUG2025	57,000,000	56,139,152	1.89
CITIGROUP GLOBAL MARKETS INC 2.95%	-,,,,,,,,	,,	-107
28APR2024	25,000,000	24,551,010	0.83
CITIGROUP INC 0.66% 18JUN2024	65,000,000	63,386,134	2.13
CITIGROUP INC 0.72% 2JUL2024	35,000,000	34,090,826	1.15
COMMONWEALTH BANK OF AUSTRALIA			
2.75% 20FEB2024	25,000,000	24,891,267	0.84
COMMONWEALTH BANK OF AUSTRALIA			
2.75% 9JUN2025	25,000,000	24,449,348	0.82
COOPERATIEVE RABOBANK UA 5.27%			
22AUG2024	31,000,000	31,072,004	1.04
COOPERATIEVE RABOBANK UA 5.4025%			
3AUG2024	30,000,000	30,089,796	1.01
EXPORT-IMPORT BANK OF KOREA 5%	27 000 000	27.444.720	0.07
1MAY2025	25,000,000	25,141,520	0.85
FIRST ABU DHABI BANK PJSC 0.85%	45,000,000	44.005.500	1 40
29JUN2024	45,000,000	44,095,500	1.48
HKCG FINANCE LTD 2.35% 1APR2025	25,000,000	24,364,298	0.82
HKCG FINANCE LTD 3.81% 1SEP2024 HONG KONG MORTGAGE CORP LTD/THE	25,000,000	24,857,250	0.84
4.3% 22JAN2024	15,000,000	14,991,086	0.50
HONG KONG MORTGAGE CORP LTD/THE	13,000,000	14,991,000	0.50
5% 25OCT2024	44,000,000	44,069,520	1.48
JPMORGAN CHASE FINANCIAL CO LLC	77,000,000	44,007,520	1.40
3.75% 9AUG2024	30,000,000	29,770,782	1.00
JPMORGAN CHASE FINANCIAL CO LLC	20,000,000	25,770,702	1.00
4.1% 25AUG2025	30,000,000	29,653,530	1.00
KOREA NATIONAL OIL CORP 2.5%		, , ,	
26MAR2025	14,000,000	13,632,619	0.46
MALAYAN BANKING BHD 3.35%		•	
15AUG2024	8,000,000	7,915,544	0.27
MALAYAN BANKING BHD 4.64%			
30JAN2024	63,000,000	62,962,326	2.12
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INVESTMENT REPORT (continued) Portfolio Statement as at 31 December 2023 (continued)

Principal Hong Kong Dollar Savings Fund (continued)

Investments	* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$ equivalent	% of NAV
Listed/quoted debt instruments (continued)		1	
Non-certificates of deposit (continued)			
Denominated in Hong Kong Dollar (continued)	27.000.000		0.04
MTR CORP LTD 4.5% 22FEB2025	25,000,000	25,032,373	0.84
MTR CORP LTD 4.65% 8MAR2025	19,000,000	19,057,450	0.64
MTR CORP LTD 4.7% 9MAR2025	44,000,000	44,153,952	1.48
NATIONAL AUSTRALIA BANK LTD 4.28%	25,000,000	24.010.162	1 17
21FEB2025	35,000,000	34,810,163	1.17
NATIONAL AUSTRALIA BANK LTD 4.9%	27,000,000	26 070 160	1 24
27JUN2024	37,000,000	36,970,160	1.24
NATIONAL AUSTRALIA BANK LTD 5.05% 12JUL2024	20,000,000	20,004,092	0.67
PSA INTERNATIONAL PTE LTD 4.27%	20,000,000	20,004,092	0.67
11FEB2025	121,000,000	120,598,280	4.06
QNB FINANCE LTD 1.13% 1SEP2024	30,000,000	29,229,600	0.98
ROYAL BANK OF CANADA 3.29%	30,000,000	29,229,000	0.90
16JUN2024	77,000,000	76,444,453	2.57
STANDARD CHARTERED BANK 3.5%	77,000,000	70,444,433	2.51
13JUN2025	99,000,000	96,922,198	3.26
STANDARD CHARTERED PLC 4%	77,000,000	70,722,170	3.20
27JUN2025	55,000,000	54,259,700	1.82
STANDARD CHARTERED PLC 4.75%	33,000,000	34,237,700	1.02
14JUN2026	40,000,000	39,878,228	1.34
STATE GRID OVERSEAS INVESTMENT BVI	40,000,000	37,070,220	1.54
LTD 2.7% 17APR2024	43,000,000	42,711,694	1.44
SUN HUNG KAI PROPERTIES CAPITAL	13,000,000	12,711,001	1.11
MARKET LTD 0.82% 23AUG2024	64,000,000	62,432,640	2.10
SUN HUNG KAI PROPERTIES CAPITAL	01,000,000	02, 132,010	2.10
MARKET LTD 2.5% 5SEP2024	9,500,000	9,359,305	0.31
SUN HUNG KAI PROPERTIES CAPITAL	<i>></i> ,200,000	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	0.01
MARKET LTD 2.55% 16AUG2024	15,000,000	14,803,500	0.50
SUN HUNG KAI PROPERTIES CAPITAL	13,000,000	11,005,500	0.20
MARKET LTD 2.55% 24JUL2024	19,000,000	18,757,742	0.63
SUN HUNG KAI PROPERTIES CAPITAL	12,000,000	10,707,712	0.00
MARKET LTD 4% 16APR2024	20,500,000	20,435,156	0.69
SWIRE PACIFIC MTN FINANCING HK LTD	20,200,000	20,100,100	0.07
3.75% 21APR2025	10,000,000	9,906,681	0.33
SWIRE PROPERTIES MTN FINANCING LTD	-,,-	, ,	
2.8% 26MAR2025	36,000,000	35,231,677	1.18
SWIRE PROPERTIES MTN FINANCING LTD	, ,	, - ,	
3.55% 17JUL2024	21,000,000	20,854,594	0.70
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INVESTMENT REPORT (continued)

Portfolio Statement as at 31 December 2023 (continued)

Principal Hong Kong Dollar Savings Fund (continued)

Investments	* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$ equivalent	% of NAV
Listed/quoted debt instruments (continued)		1	
Non-certificates of deposit (continued)			
Denominated in Hong Kong Dollar (continued) VICTORIA POWER NETWORKS FINANCE			
PTY LTD 3.16% 26MAR2025 VOLKSWAGEN INTERNATIONAL FINANCE	10,000,000	9,804,612	0.33
NV 4.86% 2JUN2025	42,000,000	41,861,833	1.41
VOLVO TREASURY AB 2.31% 12JUL2024	12,000,000	11,816,572	0.40
WESTPAC BANKING CORP 2.84% 20FEB2024	41,000,000	40,824,889	1.37
WESTPAC BANKING CORP 5% 11AUG2025	56,000,000	56,586,320	1.90
WESTPAC BANKING CORP 5.25%			
16AUG2024	20,000,000	20,024,900	0.67
WHARF REIC FINANCE BVI LTD 2.55%			
16APR2025	77,000,000	74,947,349	2.52
WHARF REIC FINANCE BVI LTD 3.1%			
24MAY2024	49,000,000	48,661,900	1.64
WHARF REIC FINANCE BVI LTD 3.4%	2= 000 000	2 10 2	0.00
27MAY2025	27,000,000	26,549,257	0.89
WHEELOCK MTN BVI LTD 1.65%	10,000,000	0.730.016	0.22
26NOV2024	10,000,000	9,720,816	0.33
Total non-certificates of deposit		2,430,770,354	81.73
Total listed/quoted debt instruments		2,572,842,210	86.51
Total investments		2,572,842,210	86.51
Other net assets		401,123,232	13.49
Total net asset value		2,973,965,442	100.00
Total cost of investments		2,583,585,569	

^{*} The value of each holding as a percentage of the total net asset value is accounted for on the trade day.

INVESTMENT REPORT (continued) Portfolio Statement as at 31 December 2023 (continued)

Principal Hong Kong Equity Fund

Investments	* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$ equivalent	% of NAV
Listed shares			
China			
BANK OF JIANGSU CO LTD-A BEIJING ORIENTAL YUHONG-A BOYA BIO-PHARMACEUTICAL GR-A CHINA MOLYBDENUM CO LTD-A CHONGQING BAIYA SANITARY P-A CIMC VEHICLES GROUP CO LTD-A CONTEMPORARY AMPEREX TECHN-A ENN ECOLOGICAL HOLDINGS CO-A HANGZHOU SUNRISE TECHNOLOG-A HUATAI SECURITIES CO LTD-A JIANGSU CHANGJIANG ELECTRONI NARI TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMEN-A NINGBO JOYSON ELECTRONIC-A SHANDONG SINOCERA FUNCTION - A ZHEJIANG DAHUA TECHNOLOGY-A ZHENGZHOU COAL MINING MACH-A	7,454,268	54,687,151	0.47
	768,488	16,180,521	0.14
	659,000	24,339,501	0.21
	8,406,493	47,937,169	0.41
	2,109,899	35,076,403	0.30
	3,533,389	36,345,318	0.31
	92,142	16,496,492	0.14
	1,888,550	34,834,426	0.30
	3,943,814	59,077,391	0.51
	2,239,752	34,263,232	0.29
	1,789,499	58,597,009	0.50
	1,349,427	33,029,178	0.28
	1,102,400	21,711,994	0.19
	695,171	17,625,184	0.15
	1,714,000	34,678,585	0.30
	1,559,682	21,636,189	0.15
		546,515,743	4.69
Hong Kong			
AGRICULTURAL BANK OF CHINA-H AIA GROUP LTD USD1.00 ALIBABA GROUP HOLDING LTD ALUMINUM CORP OF CHINA LTD-H ANHUI EXPRESSWAY CO LTD-H 'H'CNY1 ANTA SPORTS PRODUCTS LTD	78,207,000	235,403,070	2.02
	11,097,600	755,191,680	6.49
	10,975,900	829,778,040	7.13
	36,986,000	144,245,400	1.24
	4,117,000	31,700,900	0.27
	1,507,200	114,170,400	0.98
ASMPT LTD BAIDU INC-CLASS A BANK OF CHINA LTD-H BEIGENE LTD BOC HONG KONG HOLDINGS LTD	124,000	9,238,000	0.08
	3,936,550	457,033,455	3.93
	111,011,000	330,812,780	2.84
	882,900	97,207,290	0.83
	1,001,000	21,221,200	0.18
BYD CO LTD-H CHINA CITIC BANK CORP LTD-H CHINA CONSTRUCTION BANK-H CHINA MOBILE LTD CHINA NEW HIGHER EDUCATION G 2001	1,673,000	358,691,200	3.08
	5,683,000	20,913,440	0.18
	56,484,570	262,653,251	2.26
	2,812,000	182,217,600	1.57
	9,973,000	21,242,490	0.18
CHINA OILFIELD SERVICES-H	8,402,000	67,047,960	0.58
CHINA OVERSEAS LAND & INVEST	3,639,000	50,072,640	0.43
CHINA PACIFIC INSURANCE GR-H	2,118,800	33,392,288	0.29

INVESTMENT REPORT (continued)
Portfolio Statement as at 31 December 2023 (continued)

Principal Hong Kong Equity Fund (continued)

Investments	* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$ equivalent	% of NAV
Listed shares (continued)			
Hong Kong (continued)			
CHINA PETROLEUM & CHEMICAL CORP	15,254,000	62,388,860	0.54
CHINA RESOURCES LAND LTD	3,596,000	100,688,000	0.86
CHINASOFT INTERNATIONAL LTD	22,475,000	134,625,250	1.16
CITIC LTD	8,611,000	67,165,800	0.58
CITIC SECURITIES	2,947,500	46,983,150	0.40
CK HUTCHISON HOLDINGS LTD	1,444,000	60,431,400	0.52
DFZQ-H 3958	18,238,800	62,923,860	0.54
ENN ENERGY HOLDINGS LTD	1,139,300	65,509,750	0.56
FAR EAST HORIZON LTD	4,829,000	29,650,060	0.25
FUYAO GLASS INDUSTRY GROUP-H	2,121,200	80,605,600	0.69
GALAXY ENTERTAINMENT GROUP L	1,516,000	66,325,000	0.57
HANG LUNG PROPERTIES LTD HKD1 HANGZHOU TIGERMED CONSULTI-H	6,093,000	66,291,840	0.57 0.39
HONG KONG EXCHANGES & CLEAR HKD1	1,300,800 790,400	45,983,280 211,827,200	1.82
HORIZON CONSTRUCTION DEVELOP	178,851	820,926	0.01
HSBC HOLDINGS PLC	16,381,600	1,032,040,800	8.86
HUATAI SECURITIES CO LTD-H	5,312,200	52,378,292	0.45
HYGEIA HEALTHCARE HOLDINGS C	3,083,800	108,858,140	0.43
JD.COM INC - CL A	864,150	97,216,875	0.93
KUNLUN ENERGY COMPANY LTD	17,862,000	125,748,480	1.08
LINK REIT NPV	4,151,900	182,060,815	1.56
MEITUAN-CLASS B	2,866,833	234,793,623	2.02
NETEASE INC	1,732,600	243,603,560	2.02
NEW HORIZON HEALTH LTD	2,273,000	52,619,950	0.45
PEOPLE'S INSURANCE	20,309,000	48,741,600	0.43
PETROCHINA CO LTD-H	21,860,000	112,797,600	0.42
PICC PROPERTY & CASUALTY -H	15,044,000	139,608,320	1.20
PING AN INSURANCE GROUP CO-H	2,699,000	95,409,650	0.82
SAMSONITE INTERNATIONAL SA	7,449,900	191,834,925	1.65
SEMICONDUCTOR MANUFACTURING 981	1,892,000	37,575,120	0.32
SIMCERE PHARMACEUTICAL GROUP	13,966,000	93,991,180	0.81
SINOPHARM GROUP CO-H	1,165,600	23,836,520	0.20
SUN HUNG KAI PROPERTIES HKD0.50	1,718,859	145,157,643	1.25
TENCENT HOLDINGS LTD	3,415,335	1,002,742,356	8.61
TRIP.COM GROUP LTD	705,550	195,860,680	1.68
TSINGTAO BREWERY CO LTD-H	1,092,000	57,220,800	0.49
WUXI APPTEC CO LTD-H	1,795,800	142,676,310	1.23
XIAOMI CORP-CLASS B 1810	3,316,200	51,732,720	0.44
XPENG INC - CLASS A SHARES	2,171,363	123,116,282	1.06
YADEA GROUP HOLDINGS LTD	5,590,000	76,694,800	0.66

INVESTMENT REPORT (continued)

Portfolio Statement as at 31 December 2023 (continued)

Principal Hong Kong Equity Fund (continued)

Investments Listed shares (continued)	* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$ equivalent	% of NAV
Hong Kong (continued)			
YUM CHINA HOLDINGS INC ZAI LAB LTD ZHUZHOU CRRC TIMES ELECTRIC ZTE CORP-H ZTO EXPRESS CAYMAN INC	351,600 1,120,600 5,385,600 5,895,600 111,800	116,801,520 24,092,900 120,098,880 102,819,264 18,111,600	1.00 0.21 1.03 0.88 0.16
		10,174,694,265	87.38
Singapore			
YANGZIJIANG SHIPBUILDING NPV	15,476,600	136,506,666	1.17
United States			
PDD HOLDINGS INC ZTO EXPRESS CAYMAN INC-ADR	222,667 541,189	254,389,636 89,927,005	2.19
		344,316,641	2.96
Total listed shares		11,202,033,315	96.20
Delisted shares			
Hong Kong			
MOULIN GLOBAL EYECARE HOLDIN ORD	514,000		
Total delisted shares			
Total investments		11,202,033,315	96.20
Other net assets		442,135,308	3.80
Total net asset value		11,644,168,623	100.00
Total cost of investments		12,602,325,700	

^{*} The value of each holding as a percentage of the total net asset value is accounted for on the trade day. Principal International Bond Fund

INVESTMENT REPORT (continued) Portfolio Statement as at 31 December 2023 (continued)

Principal International Bond Fund

* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$ equivalent	% of NAV
3,500,000 6,000,000	15,611,218 28,592,068	0.27 0.50
10,000,000	54,059,597	0.95
	98,262,883	1.72
1,750,000 1,500,000 500,000 3,500,000 500,000 12,500,000 3,500,000 200,000 1,000,000	17,289,584 14,693,174 3,230,675 18,541,912 3,145,565 122,803,286 30,690,662 1,947,234 10,114,585	0.30 0.26 0.06 0.32 0.05 2.15 0.54 0.03 0.18
1,900,000 18,000,000 4,000,000 125,000 1,800,000 275,000	11,135,239 107,696,616 26,525,351 818,343 10,485,453 1,803,848	3.89 0.20 1.89 0.47 0.01 0.18 0.03
	3,500,000 6,000,000 10,000,000 1,500,000 3,500,000 500,000 12,500,000 200,000 1,000,000 1,900,000 18,000,000 4,000,000 125,000 1,800,000	holdings value HK\$/HK\$ equivalent 3,500,000 15,611,218 6,000,000 28,592,068 10,000,000 54,059,597 98,262,883 1,750,000 17,289,584 1,500,000 3,230,675 3,500,000 18,541,912 500,000 3,145,565 12,500,000 122,803,286 3,500,000 30,690,662 200,000 1,947,234 1,000,000 10,114,585 222,456,677 1,900,000 107,696,616 4,000,000 26,525,351 125,000 818,343 1,800,000 10,485,453 275,000 1,803,848

INVESTMENT REPORT (continued) Portfolio Statement as at 31 December 2023 (continued)

Investments	* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$ equivalent	% of NAV
Listed/quoted debt instruments (continued)		oquivarent	
Non-certificates of deposit (continued)			
Denominated in Canadian Dollar (continued) PROVINCE OF QUEBEC CANADA 3.5% 1DEC2045	750,000	4,098,725	0.07
		175,376,371	3.07
Denominated in Czech Koruna CZECH REPUBLIC GOVERNMENT BOND 1.25% 14FEB2025 CZECH REPUBLIC GOVERNMENT BOND 2.4% 17SEP2025	20,000,000 6,000,000	6,716,719 2,024,197	0.12
		8,740,916	0.15
Denominated in Danish Krone DENMARK GOVERNMENT BOND 0.5% 15NOV2027 DENMARK GOVERNMENT BOND 1.75% 15NOV2025 DENMARK GOVERNMENT BOND 4.5% 15NOV2039	6,250,000 5,525,000 500,000	6,810,169 6,310,134 738,339	0.12 0.11 0.01
Denominated in Euro APPLE INC 1.375% 17JAN2024 AT&T INC 3.15% 4SEP2036 BANK OF AMERICA CORP 1.776% 4MAY2027 BUNDESREPUBLIK DEUTSCHLAND BUNDESANLEIHE 0% 15AUG2030 BUNDESREPUBLIK DEUTSCHLAND	800,000 1,000,000 2,000,000 1,000,000	13,858,642 6,893,506 8,027,074 16,562,582 7,622,909	0.24 0.12 0.14 0.29 0.13
BUNDESANLEIHE 0% 15AUG2052 BUNDESREPUBLIK DEUTSCHLAND BUNDESANLEIHE 1.25% 15AUG2048 BUNDESREPUBLIK DEUTSCHLAND	200,000 500,000	919,175 3,503,146	0.02
BUNDESANLEIHE 1.8% 15AUG2053 BUNDESREPUBLIK DEUTSCHLAND BUNDESANLEIHE 2.6% 15AUG2033	3,500,000 500,000	27,226,800 4,528,267	0.48 0.08
CHUBB INA HOLDINGS INC 0.875% 15DEC2029	3,000,000	22,890,722	0.40

INVESTMENT REPORT (continued) Portfolio Statement as at 31 December 2023 (continued)

Investments	* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$ equivalent	% of NAV
Listed/quoted debt instruments (continued)		-	
Non-certificates of deposit (continued)			
Denominated in Euro (continued) CHUBB INA HOLDINGS INC 1.55%			
15MAR2028 COOPERATIEVE RABOBANK UA 4.125%	3,000,000	24,394,077	0.43
14JUL2025 FRENCH REPUBLIC GOVERNMENT BOND	1,500,000	13,080,586	0.23
OAT 0% 25MAR2024 FRENCH REPUBLIC GOVERNMENT BOND	27,000,000	230,967,345	4.04
OAT 2% 25NOV2032 IRELAND GOVERNMENT BOND 2%	500,000	4,158,725	0.07
18FEB2045	150,000	1,115,554	0.02
IRELAND GOVERNMENT BOND 5.4% 13MAR2025	9,500,000	84,118,436	1.47
ITALY BUONI POLIENNALI DEL TESORO 1.8% 1MAR2041	2,000,000	12,438,256	0.22
ITALY BUONI POLIENNALI DEL TESORO 1.85% 1JUL2025	12,000,000	101,730,515	1.78
ITALY BUONI POLIENNALI DEL TESORO 3.25% 1MAR2038	2,500,000	19,801,023	0.35
ITALY BUONI POLIENNALI DEL TESORO 3.25% 1SEP2046	500,000	3,744,286	0.07
ITALY BUONI POLIENNALI DEL TESORO 4.35% 1NOV2033	8,500,000	77,637,621	1.36
ITALY BUONI POLIENNALI DEL TESORO 5.25% 1NOV2029	500,000	4,803,746	0.08
KINGDOM OF BELGIUM GOVERNMENT BOND 0.35% 22JUN2032	500,000	3,607,015	0.06
KINGDOM OF BELGIUM GOVERNMENT BOND 0.4% 22JUN2040	3,500,000	20,119,061	0.35
KINGDOM OF BELGIUM GOVERNMENT BOND 1.6% 22JUN2047	9,000,000	58,369,718	1.02
KINGDOM OF BELGIUM GOVERNMENT BOND 3% 22JUN2033	500,000	4,455,708	0.08
MOLSON COORS BEVERAGE CO 1.25% 15JUL2024	1,100,000	9,340,365	0.16
NATIONWIDE BUILDING SOCIETY 1.5% 8MAR2026	2,200,000	18,461,740	0.32
REPUBLIC OF AUSTRIA GOVERNMENT BOND 0% 20OCT2040	5,500,000	29,629,488	0.52
REPUBLIC OF AUSTRIA GOVERNMENT			
BOND 0.25% 20OCT2036	3,000,000	18,965,322	0.33

INVESTMENT REPORT (continued) Portfolio Statement as at 31 December 2023 (continued)

Investments	* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$ equivalent	% of NAV
Listed/quoted debt instruments (continued)			
Non-certificates of deposit (continued)			
Denominated in Euro (continued) REPUBLIC OF AUSTRIA GOVERNMENT BOND 0.9% 20FEB2032	200,000	1,517,033	0.03
SOUTHERN POWER CO 1.85% 20JUN2026	2,000,000	16,673,923	0.29
SPAIN GOVERNMENT BOND 0% 31JAN2028 SPAIN GOVERNMENT BOND 0.1%	500,000	3,894,860	0.07
30APR2031 SPAIN GOVERNMENT BOND 0.25%	1,000,000	7,131,537	0.13
30JUL2024	21,000,000	177,846,174	3.11
SPAIN GOVERNMENT BOND 1% 31OCT2050 SPAIN GOVERNMENT BOND 1.2%	500,000	2,433,741	0.04
31OCT2040 SPAIN GOVERNMENT BOND 1.9%	7,000,000	43,216,420	0.76
31OCT2052 SPAIN GOVERNMENT BOND 3.45%	7,000,000	41,720,086	0.73
30JUL2043 SPAIN GOVERNMENT BOND 3.55%	7,000,000	59,833,752	1.05
31OCT2033 SPAIN GOVERNMENT BOND 5.15%	500,000	4,516,070	0.08
31OCT2044	950,000	10,188,933	0.18
		1,208,085,297	21.15
Denominated in Hungarian Forint HUNGARY GOVERNMENT BOND 2.5%			
24OCT2024 HUNGARY GOVERNMENT BOND 4.75%	700,000,000	15,224,687	0.26
24NOV2032	50,000,000	1,039,076	0.02
		16,263,763	0.28
Denominated in Japanese Yen			
BNP PARIBAS SA 1.087% 2MAR2027	200,000,000	10,959,216	0.19
CITIGROUP INC 2.36% 16SEP2025	100,000,000	5,668,801	0.10
CITIGROUP INC 2.4% 31OCT2025	290,000,000	16,487,303	0.29
CORNING INC 0.698% 9AUG2024	400,000,000	22,117,365	0.39
CREDIT AGRICOLE SA 0.839% 9JUN2027	400,000,000	21,763,983	0.38
HSBC HOLDINGS PLC 1.207% 25SEP2026 JAPAN GOVERNMENT FIVE YEAR BOND	200,000,000	11,006,526	0.19
0.1% 20SEP2027	900,000,000	49,819,836	0.87

INVESTMENT REPORT (continued) Portfolio Statement as at 31 December 2023 (continued)

Investments	* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$ equivalent	% of NAV
Listed/quoted debt instruments (continued)			
Non-certificates of deposit (continued)			
Denominated in Japanese Yen (continued)			
JAPAN GOVERNMENT FORTY YEAR BOND 0.5% 20MAR2059	400,000,000	15 122 667	0.26
JAPAN GOVERNMENT FORTY YEAR BOND	400,000,000	15,123,667	0.20
0.8% 20MAR2058	650,000,000	27,671,040	0.48
JAPAN GOVERNMENT TEN YEAR BOND 0.1% 20JUN2031	750,000,000	40,559,019	0.71
JAPAN GOVERNMENT TEN YEAR BOND	750,000,000	40,339,019	0.71
0.1% 20SEP2028	1,800,000,000	99,159,131	1.74
JAPAN GOVERNMENT THIRTY YEAR BOND 0.4% 20SEP2049	900,000,000	37,339,704	0.65
JAPAN GOVERNMENT THIRTY YEAR BOND	300,000,000	37,337,701	0.03
0.9% 20SEP2048	700,000,000	33,514,255	0.59
JAPAN GOVERNMENT TWENTY YEAR BOND 0.3% 20SEP2039	350,000,000	17,036,475	0.30
JAPAN GOVERNMENT TWENTY YEAR	, ,	17,000,770	0.00
BOND 1.1% 20SEP2042	350,000,000	18,618,729	0.33
JAPAN GOVERNMENT TWENTY YEAR BOND 1.4% 20SEP2034	700,000,000	41,496,868	0.73
JAPAN GOVERNMENT TWENTY YEAR			
BOND 1.5% 20MAR2034	50,000,000	2,996,464	0.05
		471,338,382	8.25
		171,550,502	0.25
Denominated in Mexican Dollar			
MEXICAN BONOS 7.5% 26MAY2033 MEXICAN BONOS 7.75% 29MAY2031	400,000	16,703,873	0.29 0.27
MEXICAN BONOS 8% 31JUL2053	350,000 200,000	15,046,305 8,183,727	0.27
MEXICAN BONOS 8.5% 18NOV2038	1,400,000	61,559,578	1.08
	, ,		
		101,493,483	1.78
Denominated in New Zealand Dellan			
Denominated in New Zealand Dollar NEW ZEALAND GOVERNMENT BOND 2.75%			
15APR2025	8,575,000	41,214,310	0.72
NEW ZEALAND GOVERNMENT BOND 2.75%	7 000 000	20 461 460	0.50
15APR2037 NEW ZEALAND GOVERNMENT BOND 4.25%	7,000,000	28,461,468	0.50
15MAY2034	2,000,000	9,782,740	0.17
		50.450.540	4.00
		79,458,518	1.39

INVESTMENT REPORT (continued) Portfolio Statement as at 31 December 2023 (continued)

Investments	* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$ equivalent	% of NAV
Listed/quoted debt instruments (continued)		1	
Denominated in Norwegian Krone NORWAY GOVERNMENT BOND 1.5%	20,000,000	22.092.012	0.20
19FEB2026 NORWAY GOVERNMENT BOND 3%	30,000,000	22,082,012	0.39
14MAR2024	70,000,000	53,633,433	0.94
		75,715,445	1.33
Denominated in Polish Zloty REPUBLIC OF POLAND GOVERNMENT			
BOND 1.75% 25APR2032 REPUBLIC OF POLAND GOVERNMENT	1,000,000	1,543,237	0.03
BOND 3.25% 25JUL2025 REPUBLIC OF POLAND GOVERNMENT	6,000,000	11,595,184	0.20
BOND 6% 25OCT2033 REPUBLIC OF POLAND GOVERNMENT	5,000,000	10,526,779	0.19
BOND 7.5% 25JUL2028	10,000,000	21,855,425	0.38
		45,520,625	0.80
Denominated in Renminbi CHINA GOVERNMENT BOND 2.4%			
15JUL2028	75,000,000	82,610,574	1.45
CHINA GOVERNMENT BOND 2.6% 1SEP2032 CHINA GOVERNMENT BOND 2.62%	98,000,000	107,871,036	1.89
15APR2028 CHINA GOVERNMENT BOND 2.75%	50,000,000	55,572,784	0.97
15JUN2029 CHINA GOVERNMENT BOND 3.32%	50,000,000	55,793,364	0.98
15APR2052	20,000,000	23,692,531	0.41
		325,540,289	5.70
Denominated in Romanian Leu ROMANIA GOVERNMENT BOND 4.15%			
26JAN2028 ROMANIA GOVERNMENT BOND 6.7%	30,000,000	48,273,013	0.84
25FEB2032	33,000,000	58,590,413	1.03
		106,863,426	1.87

INVESTMENT REPORT (continued) Portfolio Statement as at 31 December 2023 (continued)

Investments	* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$ equivalent	% of NAV
Listed/quoted debt instruments (continued)		oqui, mono	
Non-certificates of deposit (continued)			
Denominated in Singapore Dollar SINGAPORE GOVERNMENT BOND 3% 1SEP2024	400,000	2,355,762	0.04
SINGAPORE GOVERNMENT BOND 3.375% 1SEP2033	4,500,000	28,134,446	0.49
	,,,,,,,,,,,	30,490,208	0.53
Denominated in Thailand Baht THAILAND GOVERNMENT BOND 5.67% 13MAR2028	10,000,000	2,581,108	0.05
		2,581,108	0.05
Denominated in United States Dollar ABBOTT LABORATORIES 4.9% 30NOV2046 ANHEUSER-BUSCH COS LLC / ANHEUSER-BUSCH INBEV WORLDWIDE INC 4.9%	265,000	2,114,341	0.04
1FEB2046 ANHEUSER-BUSCH INBEV WORLDWIDE	270,000	2,066,647	0.04
INC 5.55% 23JAN2049 APPLE INC 3.2% 13MAY2025	410,000 60,000	3,440,365 458,975	0.06 0.01
ARCH CAPITAL FINANCE LLC 4.011% 15DEC2026	590,000	4,473,237	0.08
ARCH CAPITAL FINANCE LLC 5.031%			
15DEC2046 AT&T INC 1.7% 25MAR2026 AT&T INC 3.5% 15SEP2053	115,000 3,000,000 1,280,000	831,814 21,916,500 7,253,388	0.01 0.38 0.13
AT&T INC 4.3% 15FEB2030 AT&T INC 4.5% 9MAR2048	5,303,000 5,000,000	40,547,601 34,057,509	0.71 0.60
BANK OF AMERICA CORP 2.687% 22APR2032 BANK OF AMERICA CORP 3.458%	9,000,000	59,343,895	1.04
15MAR2025 BANK OF AMERICA CORP 3.974% 7FEB2030	7,410,000 1,115,000	57,585,234 8,240,688	1.01 0.14
BANK OF AMERICA CORP 4.25% 22OCT2026 BANK OF AMERICA CORP 4.271% 23JUL2029	670,000 555,000	5,136,582 4,184,176	0.09 0.07
BECTON DICKINSON & CO 3.363% 6JUN2024 BECTON DICKINSON & CO 3.7% 6JUN2027	112,000 180,000	866,103 1,362,030	0.01 0.02
BECTON DICKINSON & CO 4.685% 15DEC2044	412,000	3,006,295	0.05

INVESTMENT REPORT (continued) Portfolio Statement as at 31 December 2023 (continued)

Investments	* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$ equivalent	% of NAV
Listed/quoted debt instruments (continued)			
Non-certificates of deposit (continued)			
Denominated in United States Dollar (continued)			
BOEING CO/THE 2.196% 4FEB2026	4,500,000	33,201,819	0.58
BOSTON SCIENTIFIC CORP 4.7% 1MAR2049	66,000	495,254	0.01
BRISTOL-MYERS SQUIBB CO 2.9% 26JUL2024	118,000	908,951	0.02
BROADCOM INC 3.469% 15APR2034	2,000,000	13,586,928	0.02
BROOKFIELD FINANCE INC 4% 1APR2024	207,000	1,608,849	0.24
CF INDUSTRIES INC 4.95% 1JUN2043	1,567,000	11,183,906	0.20
CF INDUSTRIES INC 5.375% 15MAR2044	1,500,000	11,175,467	0.20
CIGNA GROUP/THE 4.125% 15NOV2025	405,000	3,122,429	0.05
CMS ENERGY CORP 3% 15MAY2026	155,000	1,156,383	0.02
CMS ENERGY CORP 4.875% 1MAR2044	375,000	2,782,039	0.05
COMCAST CORP 3.95% 15OCT2025	115,000	885,675	0.02
CSL FINANCE PLC 4.25% 27APR2032	500,000	3,808,435	0.07
DTE ENERGY CO 3.4% 15JUN2029	355,000	2,590,789	0.05
ELI LILLY & CO 3.375% 15MAR2029	43,000	322,915	0.01
ENERGY TRANSFER LP 4.95% 15JAN2043	200,000	1,357,767	0.02
ENERGY TRANSFER LP 5.35% 15MAY2045	2,000,000	14,504,182	0.25
ENERGY TRANSFER LP 6.5% 1FEB2042	4,000,000	32,980,061	0.58
ESSENTIAL UTILITIES INC 2.704% 15APR2030	1,715,000	11,706,095	0.20
ESSENTIAL UTILITIES INC 5.3% 1MAY2052	5,000,000	37,249,219	0.65
GINNIE MAE II POOL 3.5% 20OCT2046	1,027,366	7,566,767	0.13
GINNIE MAE II POOL 3.5% 20SEP2046	706,046	5,132,900	0.09
GOLDMAN SACHS GROUP INC/THE 3.625%			
20FEB2024	575,000	4,475,882	0.08
HSBC HOLDINGS PLC 3.803% 11MAR2025	1,500,000	11,664,740	0.20
LAM RESEARCH CORP 4.875% 15MAR2049	290,000	2,253,036	0.04
MARKEL GROUP INC 5% 5APR2046	1,410,000	9,983,309	0.17
MARS INC 4.75% 20APR2033	3,000,000	23,633,675	0.41
MCCORMICK & CO INC/MD 3.15% 15AUG2024	410,000	3,150,992	0.05
MIZUHO FINANCIAL GROUP INC 5.667%	410,000	5,130,992	0.05
27MAY2029	1,000,000	7,992,276	0.14
MORGAN STANLEY 0.985% 10DEC2026	17,500,000	125,720,480	2.20
MORGAN STANLET 0.983% 10DEC2020 MORGAN STANLEY 2.188% 28APR2026	6,000,000	45,007,833	0.79
MORGAN STANLET 2.188% 28AT K2020 MORGAN STANLEY 5% 24NOV2025	5,985,000	46,664,937	0.79
MORGAN STANLEY 5.597% 24MAR2051	225,000	1,889,776	0.02
NATIONAL AUSTRALIA BANK LTD 2.332%	223,000	1,000,770	0.03
21AUG2030	4,160,000	26,462,638	0.46
PARKER-HANNIFIN CORP 2.7% 14JUN2024	85,000	655,009	0.01
PROVINCE OF QUEBEC CANADA 1.35%	02,000	22,000	
28MAY2030	8,300,000	54,487,086	0.95

INVESTMENT REPORT (continued) Portfolio Statement as at 31 December 2023 (continued)

Investments	* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$ equivalent	% of NAV
Listed/quoted debt instruments (continued)			
Non-certificates of deposit (continued)			
Denominated in United States Dollar (continued) PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISE GROUP INC			
2.875% 15JUN2024	190,000	1,464,501	0.03
SAUDI ARABIAN OIL CO 2.875% 16APR2024	3,000,000	23,203,529	0.41
STEEL DYNAMICS INC 2.4% 15JUN2025	4,235,000	31,690,302	0.55
STEEL DYNAMICS INC 3.25% 15APR2050	3,000,000	16,200,225	0.28
STEEL DYNAMICS INC 3.25% 15JAN2031	500,000	3,517,726	0.06
UBS GROUP AG 1.364% 30JAN2027	5,218,000	37,359,984	0.65
UBS GROUP AG 2.593% 11SEP2025	5,000,000	38,194,814	0.67
UBS GROUP AG 3.091% 14MAY2032	5,000,000 3,000,000	33,251,324	0.58 0.40
UBS GROUP AG 4.253% 23MAR2028 UNITED STATES TREASURY INFLATION	3,000,000	22,607,202	0.40
INDEXED BONDS 0.125% 15JAN2032 UNITED STATES TREASURY INFLATION	554,965	3,805,395	0.07
INDEXED BONDS 0.625% 15FEB2043 UNITED STATES TREASURY INFLATION	7,360,265	44,864,557	0.79
INDEXED BONDS 1.125% 15JAN2033 UNITED STATES TREASURY NOTE/BOND	1,549,350	11,443,618	0.20
0.625% 15AUG2030	27,000,000	171,011,485	2.99
UNITED STATES TREASURY NOTE/BOND 0.875% 30SEP2026	21,000,000	150,611,078	2.64
UNITED STATES TREASURY NOTE/BOND 1.125% 15MAY2040	200,000	1,006,447	0.02
UNITED STATES TREASURY NOTE/BOND 1.25% 31MAY2028	500,000	3,487,761	0.06
UNITED STATES TREASURY NOTE/BOND 2% 15AUG2025	38,000,000	285,539,204	5.00
UNITED STATES TREASURY NOTE/BOND 2.625% 15FEB2029	35,000,000	257,306,472	4.50
UNITED STATES TREASURY NOTE/BOND 2.75% 15AUG2047	500,000	3,040,143	0.05
UNITED STATES TREASURY NOTE/BOND 2.75% 15NOV2042	500,000	3,157,119	0.06
UNITED STATES TREASURY NOTE/BOND 3.5% 15FEB2033	200,000	1,514,429	0.03
UNITED STATES TREASURY NOTE/BOND 3.625% 31MAR2028	500,000	3,861,717	0.07
UNITED STATES TREASURY NOTE/BOND 3.75% 31MAY2030	21,000,000	162,525,194	2.84
WARNERMEDIA HOLDINGS INC 3.638% 15MAR2025	3,000,000	22,917,255	0.40

INVESTMENT REPORT (continued)

Portfolio Statement as at 31 December 2023 (continued)

Investments Listed/quoted debt ins	truments (continued)		* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$ equivalent	% of NAV
Listen/quoten nebt ms	ti uments (continueu)				
Non-certificates of depo	osit (continued)				
Denominated in United WARNERMEDIA HOI 15MAR2052 WESTLAKE CORP 3.1 WESTPAC BANKING XILINX INC 2.95% 1JI ZOETIS INC 4.45% 20	LDINGS INC 5.141% 125% 15AUG2051 CORP 4.11% 24JUL2 UN2024		500,000 1,500,000 8,292,000 1,155,000 115,000	3,351,250 7,742,555 59,194,951 8,919,865 816,182	0.06 0.14 1.04 0.16 0.01
				2,231,860,163	39.07
Total non-certificates	of deposit			5,213,906,196	91.27
Total listed/quoted del	ot instruments			5,213,906,196	91.27
Investments Forward contracts	Counterparties	Maturity	* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$ equivalent	% of NAV
Denominated in United	States Dollar				
Buy JPY/Sell USD FWD Rate 0.718441	ANZ Bank SYD	21.03.2024	4,795,560	175,187	0.01
Buy USD/Sell AUD FWD Rate 0.684026	ANZ Bank SYD	21.03.2024	7,589,096	57,470	0.00
Buy USD/Sell NOK FWD Rate 0.098645	BARCLAYS Bank DUB	21.03.2024	10,557,135	154,350	0.00

INVESTMENT REPORT (continued) Portfolio Statement as at 31 December 2023 (continued)

Investments	Counterparties	Maturity	* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$ equivalent	% of NAV
Forward contracts (co	ntinued)			1	
Denominated in United Buy GBP/Sell USD FWD Rate 1.275313	States Dollar BARCLAYS Bank DUB	21.03.2024	11,009,737	(168,055)	(0.00)
Buy USD/Sell CAD FWD Rate 0.759227	BARCLAYS Bank DUB	21.03.2024	6,261,910	(24,757)	(0.00)
Buy USD/Sell CNH FWD Rate 0.141234	ANZ Bank SYD	21.03.2024	5,000,000	(274,979)	(0.00)
Buy USD/Sell EUR FWD Rate 1.108308	BARCLAYS Bank DUB	21.03.2024	4,917,751	(570,811)	(0.01)
Buy USD/Sell GBP FWD Rate 1.275313	ANZ Bank SYD	21.03.2024	700,000,000	(894,927)	(0.02)
Buy USD/Sell JPY FWD Rate 0.718441	ANZ Bank SYD	21.03.2024	7,418,178	(858,337)	(0.02)
Buy USD/Sell NZD FWD Rate 0.633268	ANZ Bank SYD	21.03.2024	9,297,300	(1,574,844)	(0.03)
Total forward contrac	ts			(3,979,703)	(0.07)
Total investments				5,209,926,493	91.20
Other net assets				502,575,984	8.80
Total net asset value				5,712,502,477	100.00
Total cost of investmen	nts			5,192,316,279	

^{*} The value of each holding as a percentage of the total net asset value is accounted for on the trade day.

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Principal International Equity Fund

Investments	* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$ equivalent	% of NAV
Listed shares			
Australia			
AMPOL LTD DETERRA ROYALTIES LTD FLIGHT CENTRE TRAVEL GROUP LTD ORORA LTD NPV PRO MEDICUS LTD PME SEVEN GROUP HOLDINGS LTD NPV VENTIA SERVICES GROUP PTY LT	7,781 50,331 13,494 89,114 2,353 8,940 80,199	1,498,720 1,413,263 1,463,845 1,234,514 1,201,435 1,757,683 1,341,762	0.03 0.03 0.03 0.03 0.02 0.04 0.03
		9,911,222	0.21
Austria			
ANDRITZ AG NPV (BR) BAWAG GROUP AG WIENERBERGER AG NPV	2,327 3,073 5,557	1,132,061 1,271,795 1,448,535 3,852,391	0.02 0.03 0.03 0.08
Belgium			
ARGENX SE ARGX SOLVAY SA NPV SYENSQO SA	9,200 155,000 45,000	27,258,930 37,074,543 36,587,623 100,921,096	0.57 0.78 0.77 2.12
Brazil			
GPS PARTICIPACOES E EMPREEND MULTIPLAN EMPREENDIMENTOS COM NPV PETRO RIO SA PRIO3 SANTOS BRASIL PARTICIPACOES STBP3 SENDAS DISTRIBUIDORA SA SLC AGRICOLA SA COM NPV	24,600 13,500 17,800 58,400 62,500 17,060	745,408 616,745 1,317,642 879,630 1,359,332 516,115	0.01 0.01 0.03 0.02 0.03 0.01
Canada			
ALAMOS GOLD INC-CLASS A AGI	13,400	1,414,063	0.03

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Principal International Equity Fund (continued)

Investments	* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$ equivalent	% of NAV
Listed shares (continued)		1	
Canada(continued)			
ALIMENTATION COUCHE-TARD INC ARC RESOURCES LTD COM NPV ATS CORP BRP INC/CA- SUB VOTING DOO CANADIAN NATURAL RESOURCES COM NPV CAPITAL POWER CORP COM NPV CRESCENT POINT ENERGY CORP DESCARTES SYSTEMS GRP/THE COM NPV DOLLARAMA INC COM NPV ELEMENT FINANCIAL CORP EMPIRE CO LTD 'A' CLASS'A'N/VTG COM NPV FILO CORP GILDAN ACTIVEWEAR INC COM NPV KEYERA CORP COM NPV OSISKO GOLD ROYALTIES LTD OR PARKLAND CORP QUEBECOR INC -CL B CLASS'B'SUB VTG NPV STANTEC INC COM NPV STELLA-JONES INC COM NPV	91,800 8,800 2,100 1,450 80,000 4,100 18,200 2,270 73,000 8,300 4,700 10,200 3,220 3,500 8,650 3,310 6,400 2,250 2,830	42,419,027 1,025,046 710,212 814,187 41,125,971 918,737 990,475 1,496,561 41,279,761 1,059,701 975,534 1,275,102 835,573 663,867 968,644 837,171 1,194,600 1,417,421 1,292,438 653,149	0.89 0.02 0.01 0.02 0.86 0.02 0.03 0.87 0.02 0.03 0.02 0.03 0.02 0.01 0.02 0.03 0.03 0.03 0.03
TOROMONT INDUSTRIES LTD COM STK NPV WHITECAP RESOURCES INC COM NPV	950 15,200	653,149 798,406	0.01
Denmark		144,165,646	3.03
NKT A/S NOVO NORDISK A/S-B	1,958 72,982	1,050,786 58,952,776	0.02 1.24
ROYAL UNIBREW RBREW	2,169	1,132,148 61,135,710	<u>0.03</u> <u>1.29</u>
France			
ARKEMA EUR10 AXA SA CSLI ELIS SA ELIS FAURECIA EUR7 GECINA SA EUR7.50	679 166,781 8,360 6,031 1,236	603,255 42,424,388 1,362,174 1,062,281 1,173,816	0.01 0.89 0.03 0.02 0.03

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Investments	* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$ equivalent	% of NAV
Listed shares (continued)		1	
France(continued)			
HERMES INTERNATIONAL NPV REXEL SA EUR5 S.O.I.T.E.C. SOI SCOR SE EUR7.876972 SOCIETE GENERALE EUR1.25 SOPRA STERIA GROUP SOP SPIE SA - W/I SPIE TECHNIP ENERGIES NV VALLOUREC SA VERALLIA	2,622 6,445 766 3,926 180,000 674 4,278 2,820 5,946 2,418	43,396,693 1,377,029 1,069,059 896,054 37,301,831 1,149,954 1,044,291 514,706 719,320 727,073	0.91 0.03 0.02 0.02 0.78 0.02 0.02 0.01 0.02 0.02 0.02
Germany			
AIXTRON SE CTS EVENTIM AG & CO KGAA GERRESHEIMER AG NPV (BR) SCOUT24 SE G24 TAG IMMOBILIEN AG NPV	963 3,066 1,021 2,649 10,623	321,131 1,655,544 830,925 1,466,022 1,209,068 5,482,690	0.01 0.03 0.02 0.03 0.03
Greece			
JUMBO SA EUR1.19 NATIONAL BANK OF GREECE ETE	4,471 898,926	968,765 48,771,805 49,740,570	0.02 1.03
Hong Vone			
Hong Kong			
FUYAO GLASS INDUSTRY GROUP-H HANG LUNG PROPERTIES LTD HKD1 HANGZHOU TIGERMED CONSULTI-H MGM CHINA HLDGS LT HKD1 NEW ORIENTAL EDUCATION & TEC	19,600 85,000 8,200 87,600 24,800	744,800 924,800 289,870 868,116 1,370,200 4,197,786	0.01 0.02 0.01 0.02 0.03

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Investments	* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$ equivalent	% of NAV
Listed shares (continued)		•	
India			
BAJAJ AUTO LIMITED INR10 CAPLIN POINT LABORATORIES CONTAINER CORP OF INDIA LTD CREDITACCESS GRAMEEN LTD CREDAG HINDUSTAN AERONAUTICS LTD HOME FIRST FINANCE CO INDIA LTD ICICI LOMBARD GENERAL INSURANCE COM LTD JSW INFRASTRUCTURE LIMITED KEI INDUSTRIES LIMITED INR2 L & T TECHNOLOGY SERVICES LIMITED MAX HEALTHCARE INST LTD NAVIN FLUORINE INTERNATIONAL SUPREME INDUSTRIES LTD INR2 VARUN BEVERAGES LTD	65,000 9,200 12,009 6,600 2,400 25,542 6,980 79,754 6,009 780 21,458 2,452 1,475 34,520	41,458,368 1,170,742 968,711 988,763 631,473 2,229,206 930,122 1,558,861 1,832,220 384,617 1,381,775 886,559 628,775 4,006,554	0.87 0.03 0.02 0.02 0.01 0.05 0.02 0.03 0.04 0.01 0.03 0.02 0.01
		59,056,746	1.24
Indonesia			
AKR CORPORINDO TBK PT IDR100 INDOFOOD CBP SUKSES MAKMUR T IDR100 MITRA ADIPERKASA TBK PT	505,200 118,300 730,500	377,924 634,474 663,166 1,675,564	0.01 0.01 0.02 0.04
Ireland			
BANK OF IRELAND GROUP PLC BIRG	12,344	875,017	0.02
Italy			
BANCA MEDIOLANUM SPA BMED BRUNELLO CUCINELLI SPA FERRARI NV RACE	21,072 1,498 21,332	1,551,146 1,144,827 56,157,834	0.03 0.03 1.18
		58,853,807	1.24
Japan			
ABC-MART INC NPV AIR WATER INC NPV AJINOMOTO INC COM	5,400 13,100 183,500	737,263 1,397,823 55,290,017	0.02 0.03 1.16

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Investments	* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$ equivalent	% of NAV
Listed shares (continued)			
Japan(continued)			
AMADA CO LTD	15,400	1,253,862	0.03
ASICS CORP NPV	4,000	978,808	0.02
BIPROGY INC	5,200	1,271,586	0.03
CHIBA BANK LTD/THE	18,600	1,049,266	0.02
CONCORDIA FINANCIAL GROUP LTD	24,200	864,007	0.02
CREDIT SAISON CO LTD	9,000	1,295,818	0.03
DAITO TRUST CONSTRUCT CO LTD	1,300	1,177,261	0.02
DMG MORI CO LTD	8,100	1,211,549	0.03
FERROTEC HOLDINGS CORP	5,200	765,544	0.02
H20 Retailing NPV HITACHI CONSTRUCTION MACHINE NPV	8,800	744,275	0.02
INFRONEER HOLDINGS INC	3,700	763,788	0.02 0.02
INTERNET INITIATIVE JAPAN NPV	11,500 10,800	893,968 1,725,165	0.02
J FRONT RETAILING CO LTD NPV	12,300	874,065	0.04
JAPAN HOTEL REIT INVESTMENT REIT	244	935,207	0.02
JAPAN METROPOLITAN FUND INVE	215	1,213,457	0.02
JINS HOLDINGS INC	2,500	650,803	0.03
KAJIMA CORP	327,700	42,771,614	0.01
KAMIGUMI CO LTD KAMIGUMI CO LTD	4,600	857,598	0.02
KDX REALTY INVESTMENT CORP	120	1,068,757	0.02
MATSUKIYOCOCOKARA & CO	8,700	1,203,232	0.02
MEBUKI FINANCIAL GROUP INC	36,500	867,083	0.02
MITSUBISHI ELECTRIC CORP NPV	392,000	43,402,087	0.91
MITSUI FUDOSAN LOGISTICS PAR	45	1,140,290	0.02
MONOGATARI CORP 3097	4,500	1,094,180	0.02
NIFCO INC/JAPAN NPV	3,900	787,361	0.02
NINTENDO CO LTD NPV	142,000	57,878,717	1.22
NOF CORP NPV	3,800	1,474,570	0.03
OKUMA CORP	127,200	42,800,136	0.90
PERSONAL HOLDINGS CO LTD	48,300	647,670	0.01
RENESAS ELECTRONICS CORP NPV	311,000	43,907,830	0.92
RENGO CO LTD NPV	10,600	551,881	0.01
ROHTO PHARMACEUTICAL CO LTD NPV	5,400	850,320	0.02
SANKYO CO LTD	2,400	1,093,083	0.02
SANKYU INC NPV	2,500	717,407	0.01
SCREEN HOLDINGS CO LTD	3,200	2,114,473	0.04
SG HOLDING CO LTD	6,300	706,257	0.01
SHIMAMURA CO LTD	800	698,326	0.01
SOCIONEXT INC	6,500	921,648	0.02
SOJITZ CORP NPV	6,800	1,199,582	0.02

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Investments	* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$ equivalent	% of NAV
Listed shares (continued)		1	
Japan(continued)			
SUZUKEN CO LTD NPV TIS INC TOKYU FUDOSAN HOLDINGS CORP TOYO SUISAN KAISHA LTD TOYOTA MOTOR CORP NPV YAMAZAKI BAKING CO LTD	5,000 5,900 16,100 4,300 413,000 5,400	1,293,021 1,015,325 803,813 1,733,850 59,257,783 961,881	0.03 0.02 0.02 0.04 1.25 0.02
Malaysia			
MALAYSIA AIRPORTS HLDGS BHD MYR1	63,400	792,960	0.02
Mexico			
ARCA CONTINENTAL SAB DE CV GCC SAB DE CV GRUPO AEROPORTUARIO DEL-B SH SER 'B' NPV QUALITAS CONTROLADORA SAB CV Q*	18,900 10,300 6,560 20,400	1,615,815 950,250 896,650 1,613,963 5,076,678	0.04 0.02 0.02 0.03
Netherlands			
ASML HOLDING NV EUR0.09 (POST SPLIT) ASR NEDERLAND NV ASRNL	11,420 5,405	67,151,179 1,990,755	1.41 0.04
		69,141,934	1.45
The Philippines			
AYALA LAND INC PHP1 BDO UNIBANK INC WILCON DEPOT INC WLCON	174,800 87,318 115,900	849,169 1,606,858 341,580 2,797,607	0.02 0.03 0.01
Poland		2,///,00/	
DINO POLSKA SA DNP	1,589	1,453,684	0.03

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Investments	* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$ equivalent	% of NAV
Listed shares (continued)		•	
Singapore			
SEMBCORP INDUSTRIES LTD NPV YANGZIJIANG SHIPBUILDING NPV	41,900 36,800	1,317,045 324,583	0.03
		1,641,628	0.03
South Africa			
BID CORP LTD BID	4,181	761,668	0.02
South Korea			
GS HOLDINGS KRW5000 HANA FINANCIAL GROUP KRW5000 LIG NEX1 CO LTD 079550 PSK INC/NEW SAMSUNG ELECTRONICS CO LTD	3,161 2,382 696 10,962 110,593	783,856 626,787 550,692 1,399,041 52,636,370	0.02 0.01 0.01 0.03 1.11
Chain		55,996,746	1.18
Spain BANCO DE SABADELL SA EUR0.125 IBERDROLA SA EUR0.75	111,656 558,185	1,071,942 57,150,907 58,222,849	0.02 1.20 1.22
Sweden			
NORDEA BANK ABP SAAB AB-B SER'B'NPV SECURITAS AB-B SHS TRELLEBORG AB-B SHS SER'B'NPV	397,000 3,190 17,127 6,587	38,364,575 1,501,800 1,308,199 1,723,034 42,897,608	0.81 0.03 0.03 0.03 0.90
Switzerland			
BKW AG CHF2.50 PSP SWISS PROPERTY AG-REG	753	1,044,417	0.02
CHF10.50(REGD)(POST SUBD)	1,784	1,946,436	0.04

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Portfolio Statement as at 31 December 2023 (continued)

Investments	* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$ equivalent	% of NAV
Listed shares (continued)		equivalent	
Switzerland(continued)			
SIG GROUP AG TECAN GROUP AG-REG VAT GROUP AG	5,346 429 392	959,727 1,366,770 1,532,927 6,850,277	0.02 0.03 0.03 0.14
Taiwan			
ACCTON TECHNOLOGY CORP TWD10 ALCHIP TECHNOLOGIES LTD 3661 DELTA ELECTRONICS INC TWD10 ELITE MATERIAL CO LTD TWD10 FENG TAY ENTERPRISE CO LTD TWD10 GOLD CIRCUIT ELECTRONICS LTD TWD10 SINBON ELECTRONINCS CO LTD TWD10 SINOPAC FINANCIAL HOLDINGS TWD10 TAIWAN SEMICONDUCTOR MANUFAC WIWYNN CORP 6669 Thailand BANGKOK BANK-FOREIGN REG THB10(ALIEN MKT)	19,000 3,000 428,000 6,000 28,240 30,000 10,000 167,373 378,000 2,000	2,528,226 2,499,730 34,138,303 583,143 1,257,371 1,663,943 760,732 838,904 57,030,491 928,653 102,229,496	0.05 0.05 0.72 0.01 0.03 0.02 0.02 1.20 0.02 2.15
HOME PRODUCT CENTER PCL-FOR THB1(ALIEN MKT)	131,000	350,643	0.01
		998,681	0.02
United Kingdom			
3I GROUP PLC ORD ASTRAZENECA PLC ORD USD0.25 B&M EUROPEAN VALUE RETAIL SA BME BAE SYSTEMS PLC ORD GBP0.025 BEAZLEY PLC BEZ BRITISH LAND CO PLC ORD GBP0.25 CENTRICA PLC ORD	327,487 60,014 23,933 422,000 20,843 33,048 69,260	78,922,431 63,324,248 1,334,602 46,649,030 1,083,035 1,314,566 969,692	1.66 1.33 0.03 0.98 0.02 0.03 0.02

INVESTMENT REPORT (continued) Portfolio Statement as at 31 December 2023 (continued)

Investments	* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$ equivalent	% of NAV
Listed shares (continued)			
United Kingdom(continued)			
CONVATEC GROUP PLC-WI CTEC	73,672	1,790,852	0.04
DERWENT LONDON PLC ORD GBP0.05	5,016	1,178,369	0.02
DIPLOMA PLC ORD GBP0.05	4,240	1,511,830	0.03
DS SMITH PLC ORD GBP0.10	44,123	1,349,706	0.03
ENTAIN PLC GVC HOLDINGS PLC	7,581	750,260	0.01
HIKMA PHARMACEUTICALS PLC	7,371	1,312,648	0.03
IMI PLC ORD GBP0.2857	8,787	1,472,971	0.03
INDIVIOR PLC	8,009	944,731	0.02
INTERMEDIATE CAPITAL GROUP	9,154	1,531,303	0.03
JD SPORTS FASHION	84,514	1,396,103	0.03
JET2 PLC DART GROUP PLC	9,340	1,161,237	0.02
LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE GROUP ORD			
GBP0.069	49,997	46,155,413	0.97
MAN GROUP PLC/JERSEY	58,339	1,350,766	0.03
ROTORK PLC ORD GBP0.05	26,147	842,252	0.02
SAFESTORE HOLDINGS PLC	10,821	952,207	0.02
SAINSBURY (J) PLC ORD GBP0.28571428	30,104	906,786	0.02
SHELL PLC-NEW	195,100	49,940,789	1.05
TRITAX BIG BOX REIT PLC BBOX	85,777	1,442,155	0.03
WEIR GROUP PLC (THE) ORD GBP0.125	7,018	1,317,898	0.03
WHITBREAD PLC ORD GBP0.76797385	3,982	1,449,169	0.03
		312,355,049	6.56
United States			
ABBOTT LABORATORIES COM NPV	63,100	54,233,530	1.14
ADDUS HOMECARE CORP COM USD0.001	3,000	2,175,067	0.05
ADOBE INC	13,400	62,424,862	1.31
ADVANCED ENERGY INDUSTRIES COM STK USD0.001	4,200	3,572,124	0.08
AGCO CORP COM USD0.01	2,800	2,654,496	0.06
AGREE REALTY CORP COM USD0.0001	7,200	3,539,140	0.07
ALASKA AIR GROUP INC COM USD1	2,302	702,293	0.01
ALLEGRO MICROSYSTEMS INC	11,400	2,694,554	0.06
ALPHABET INC-CL A GOOGL	165,600	180,632,210	3.80
AMERICAN TOWER CORP COM NEW USD0.01	28,200	47,536,923	1.00
AMERIPRISE FINANCIAL INC COM STK USD0.01	500	1,482,958	0.03
AMN HEALTHCARE SERVICES INC COM USD0.01	3,000	1,754,109	0.04
APOLLO GLOBAL MANAGEMENT INC	2,300	1,673,658	0.04

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Investments	* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$ equivalent	% of NAV
Listed shares (continued)		_	
United States(continued)			
APPLE INC	58,118	87,373,276	1.84
ARGENX SE - ADR ARGX	461	1,369,447	0.03
ARRAY TECHNOLOGIES INC	9,500	1,246,242	0.03
ATKORE INC	1,700	2,123,921	0.04
BANCORP INC/THE COM NPV	100,000	30,109,710	0.63
BANK OF AMERICA CORP COM STK USD0.01	264,332	69,496,415	1.46
BENTLEY SYSTEMS INC-CLASS B BSY	2,600	1,059,368	0.02
BJ'S WHOLESALE CLUB HOLDINGS BJ	5,900	3,071,050	0.06
BOSTON SCIENTIFIC CORP COM STK	127,500	57,554,953	1.21
BRIDGEBIO PHARMA INC BBIO	4,600	1,450,061	0.03
BROOKFIELD RENEWABLE COR-A BEPC CADENCE DESIGN SYS INC COM STK USD0.01	18,900	4,248,866	0.09
CAESARS ENTERTAINMENT INC	20,000 9,400	42,536,212 3,441,003	0.89 0.07
CAMDEN PROPERTY TRUST SBI USD0.01	4,400	3,411,361	0.07
CENCORA INC	31,500	50,517,081	1.06
CHART INDUSTRIES INC COM STK USD0.01	3,300	3,512,974	0.07
CIVITAS RESOURCES INC	3,900	2,082,396	0.07
CLOUDFLARE INC - CLASS A NET	2,400	1,560,333	0.04
CONCENTRIX CORP - WI	2,200	1,687,128	0.04
CONOCOPHILLIPS COM USD0.01	55,500	50,301,683	1.06
CONSTELLATION BRANDS INC-A CLASS'A'COM	22,200	20,201,003	1.00
USD0.01	24,000	45,305,118	0.95
CONSTELLIUM SE	8,351	1,301,573	0.03
COREBRIDGE FINANCIAL INC	12,200	2,063,421	0.04
CREDO TECHNOLOGY GROUP HOLDI	8,792	1,336,667	0.03
CYBER-ARK SOFTWARE LTD/ISRAE CYBR	1,111	1,900,321	0.04
DARLING INGREDIENTS INC	8,197	3,190,087	0.07
DEXCOM INC COM USD0.001	2,800	2,713,091	0.06
DYCOM INDUSTRIES INC COM USD0.333	4,800	4,313,684	0.09
DYNATRACE INC DT	4,400	1,879,015	0.04
EAST WEST BANCORP INC COM USD0.001	6,200	3,483,309	0.07
ELI LILLY & CO COM STK NPV	17,592	80,074,405	1.68
EMERSON ELECTRIC CO COM USD0.50	65,000	49,400,305	1.04
ENCORE CAPITAL GROUP INC COM USD0.01	3,400	1,347,363	0.03
ENERSYS	4,900	3,862,913	0.08
ENTEGRIS INC COM USD0.01	2,800	2,619,732	0.06
EQUITABLE HOLDINGS INC	9,200	2,392,223	0.05
ESSENT GROUP LTD ESNT	3,600	1,482,560	0.03
EXACT SCIENCES CORP COM USD0.01	89,700	51,817,483	1.09
EXLSERVICE HOLDINGS INC COM STK USD0.001	8,000	1,927,146	0.04
EXPEDIA INC COM USD0.001 (POST-SPLIT)	2,400	2,844,618	0.06

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Investments	* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$ equivalent	% of NAV
Listed shares (continued)			
United States(continued)			
FLYWIRE CORP-VOTING	3,900	704,994	0.01
FNB CORP COM USD0.01	6,362	684,065	0.01
GRAPHIC PACKAGING HOLDING CO COM STK			
USD0.01	23,200	4,465,545	0.09
HANOVER INSURANCE GROUP INC/ COM USD0.01	2,289	2,170,229	0.05
HUMANA INC COM USD0.166	12,400	44,327,834	0.93
ICF INTERNATIONAL INC COM STK USD0.001 ICICI BANK LTD-SPON ADR ADR REP 2 ORD	2,500	2,617,616	0.05
INR10(SPON)	242,485	45,139,909	0.95
ICON PLC ICON PLC	19,601	43,325,304	0.93
IMMUNOVANT INC	1,973	649,065	0.01
INSMED INC INSM	7,900	1,911,693	0.04
INTRA-CELLULAR THERAPIES INC ITCI	2,800	1,565,892	0.03
INTUIT INC	11,000	53,686,253	1.13
INTUITIVE SURGICAL INC COM USD0.001	23,202	61,120,733	1.29
IOVANCE BIOTHERAPEUTICS INC IOVA	13,200	837,981	0.02
JAMF HOLDING CORP	7,500	1,057,666	0.02
JPMORGAN CHASE & CO COM USD1	56,825	75,476,770	1.59
LIFESTANCE HEALTH GROUP INC	21,400	1,308,414	0.03
LINCOLN NATIONAL CORP COM NPV	4,400	926,623	0.02
LINDE PLC	20,200	64,782,275	1.36
LIVENT CORP LTHM	9,000	1,263,577	0.03
LULULEMON ATHLETICA INC COM STK USD0.01	12,350	49,306,458	1.04
MANHATTAN ASSOCIATES INC COM STK USD0.01	22,800	38,334,408	0.81
MASTERCARD INC-CLASS A COM USD0.0001	10.200	(0.046.652	1.20
CLASS 'A' META PLATFORMS INC-CLASS A	18,300 37,500	60,946,652 103,646,586	1.28 2.18
MICROCHIP TECHNOLOGY INC COM USD0.001	56,600	39,856,229	0.84
MICROSOFT CORP COM USD0.00000625	77,547	227,702,916	4.79
MOSAIC CO/THE COM USD0.01	4,100	1,143,896	0.02
MYR GROUP INC/DELAWARE COM NPV	3,800	4,291,524	0.02
NATERA INC NTRA	9,700	4,744,528	0.10
NEVRO CORP NVRO	4,100	688,963	0.01
NOVA LTD NVMI	1,289	1,382,858	0.03
NVIDIA CORP	28,681	110,907,780	2.33
NXP SEMICONDUCTORS NV	21,500	38,559,481	0.81
ONEOK INC COM USD0.01	3,300	1,809,441	0.04
O'REILLY AUTOMOTIVE INC COM USD0.01	5,950	44,141,459	0.93
OVINTIV INC	8,100	2,777,902	0.06
PARKER HANNIFIN CORP COM USD0.50	600	2,158,435	0.05
PATTERSON-UTI ENERGY INC COM STK USD0.01	10,200	860,188	0.02
PEBBLEBROOK HOTEL TRUST COM USD0.01 SBI	35,800	4,467,138	0.09
PERFORMANCE FOOD GROUP CO PFGC	6,900	3,725,725	0.08

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Investments Listed shares (continued)	* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$ equivalent	% of NAV
Listed shares (continued)			
United States(continued)			
PETCO HEALTH AND WELLNESS CO PIEDMONT LITHIUM INC	4,521 2,700	111,556 595,174	0.00 0.01
POPULAR INC	7,500	4,806,348	0.10
PORTILLO'S INC-CL A	5,800	721,462	0.02
PORTLAND GENERAL ELECTRIC CO COM STK NPV	4,700	1,590,583	0.03
PRIMERICA INC PRIMERICA INC	1,600	2,570,695	0.05
PRIVIA HEALTH GROUP INC	15,138	2,722,275	0.06
PROGRESS SOFTWARE CORP COM USD0.01	4,900	2,077,617	0.04
PROGYNY INC	6,100	1,770,960	0.04
PULTE GROUP INC	56,000	45,135,829	0.95
RALPH LAUREN CORP CLASS 'A' COM USD0.01	2,700	3,040,175	0.06
REGAL REXNORD CORP	1,500	1,733,729	0.04
REPUBLIC SERVICES INC COM USD0.01	40,700	52,409,612	1.10
REVANCE THERAPEUTICS INC RVNC	1,300	89,228	0.00
REXFORD INDUSTRIAL REALTY IN COM USD0.01	9,400	4,117,753	0.09
ROCKWELL AUTOMATION INC COM USD1	22,600	54,791,301	1.15
ROPER TECHNOLOGIES INC	11,800	50,232,351	1.06
SALESFORCE INC	40,200	82,600,461	1.74
SAREPTA THERAPEUTICS INC SRPT	300	225,893	0.00
SCHLUMBERGER LTD COM USD0.01	99,000	40,229,259	0.85
SEADRILL LIMITED	1,791	661,215	0.01
SIGMA LITHIUM CORP	1,754	431,840	0.01
SITIME CORP	1,400	1,334,572	0.03
SOUTHWEST GAS HOLDINGS CORP	8,500	4,204,701	0.09
SPROUT SOCIAL INC - CLASS A	2,500	1,199,391	0.03
STEEL DYNAMICS INC COM STK USD0.01	1,800	1,659,938	0.03
STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP COM USD0.15	4,600	2,483,817	0.05
SUMMIT MATERIALS INC -CL A SUM	10,500	3,153,321	0.07
SUPER MICRO COMPUTER INC COM STK USD0.001	400	887,862	0.02
SYNOPSYS INC COM	16,961	68,194,967	1.43
TAYLOR MORRISON HOME CORP-A	10,400	4,332,487	0.09
TD SYNNEX CORP	3,900	3,277,078	0.07
TEEKAY TANKERS LTD- CLASS A	1,900	741,366	0.02
TKO GROUP HOLDINGS INC	6,200	3,949,526	0.08
TRACTOR SUPPLY COMPANY COM STK USD0.008	800	1,343,255	0.03
TRANE TECHNOLOGIES PLC	29,064	55,352,435	1.16
UNITEDHEALTH GROUP INC COM USD0.01	19,892	81,775,202	1.72
VAIL RESORTS INC COM STK USD0.01	1,600	2,667,021	0.06
VALARIS LTD	1,900	1,017,319	0.02
VARONIS SYSTEMS INC COM USD0.001	3,400	1,202,140	0.03

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Investments	* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$ equivalent	% of NAV
Listed shares (continued)		equivalent	
United States(continued)			
VERRA MOBILITY CORP	5,900	1,061,000	0.02
VISHAY INTERTECHNOLOGY COM	5,800	1,085,589	0.02
VISTEON CORP	2,900	2,828,329	0.06
WALMART INC	54,300	66,844,142	1.41
WATSCO INC COM USD0.50	13,500	45,167,259	0.95
WESCO INTERNATIONAL INC COM USD0.01	2,400	3,258,595	0.07
WINTRUST FINANCIAL CORP COM NPV	2,100	1,520,907	0.03
WORLD FUEL SERVICES CORP COM USD0.01	2,979	529,900	0.01
ZURN WATER SOLUTIONS CORP	10,800	2,480,209	0.05
		2,914,177,087	61.27
Total listed shares		4,604,432,300	96.81
Total investments		4,604,432,300	96.81
Other net assets		151,643,745	3.19
Total net asset value		4,756,076,045	100.00
Total cost of investments		3,646,663,559	

^{*} The value of each holding as a percentage of the total net asset value is accounted for on the trade day.

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Principal Pension Bond Fund

Investments	* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$ equivalent	% of NAV
Listed/quoted debt instruments			
Fixed coupon rate debt instruments			
Denominated in United States Dollar			
ABBOTT LABORATORIES 1.4% 30JUN2030	250,000	1,651,753	0.21
ABBVIE INC 3.2% 21NOV2029	1,100,000	8,029,270	1.01
ABU DHABI NATIONAL ENERGY CO PJSC	200.000	2 210 125	0.20
4.375% 22JUN2026	300,000	2,319,135	0.29
AERCAP IRELAND CAPITAL DAC / AERCAP	1 020 000	12.074.066	1 62
GLOBAL AVIATION TRUST 3% 29OCT2028	1,820,000	12,974,966	1.63
AERCAP IRELAND CAPITAL DAC / AERCAP GLOBAL AVIATION TRUST 6.45%			
15APR2027	250,000	2,021,272	0.25
ALIBABA GROUP HOLDING LTD 2.7%	230,000	2,021,272	0.23
9FEB2041	350,000	1,868,970	0.23
AMERICA MOVIL SAB DE CV 3.625%	330,000	1,000,770	0.23
22APR2029	700,000	5,160,764	0.65
AMGEN INC 2.2% 21FEB2027	225,000	1,633,636	0.21
AMGEN INC 5.25% 2MAR2030	650,000	5,217,645	0.65
ANHEUSER-BUSCH INBEV WORLDWIDE INC	,	, ,	
3.5% 1JUN2030	1,595,000	11,849,144	1.48
AON CORP / AON GLOBAL HOLDINGS PLC			
2.6% 2DEC2031	650,000	4,303,783	0.54
APPLE INC 2.05% 11SEP2026	750,000	5,516,618	0.69
APPLE INC 3.2% 13MAY2025	240,000	1,835,899	0.23
ARCH CAPITAL FINANCE LLC 4.011%			
15DEC2026	1,215,000	9,211,836	1.15
ARTHUR J GALLAGHER & CO 2.4% 9NOV2031	954,000	6,131,441	0.77
AT&T INC 1.65% 1FEB2028	1,450,000	10,082,597	1.26
AT&T INC 4.3% 15FEB2030	911,000	6,965,654	0.87
BANK OF MONTREAL 5.266% 11DEC2026	400,000	3,166,351	0.40
BARCLAYS PLC 4.836% 9MAY2028	635,000	4,841,602	0.61
BAT CAPITAL CORP 2.259% 25MAR2028	1,250,000	8,733,705	1.09
BAT CAPITAL CORP 3.222% 15AUG2024	882,000	6,774,930	0.85
BECTON DICKINSON & CO 3.7% 6JUN2027	1,970,000	14,906,657	1.87
BERKSHIRE HATHAWAY ENERGY CO 3.25% 15APR2028	25,000	195 207	0.02
BLACK HILLS CORP 1.037% 23AUG2024	25,000 2,011,000	185,397 15,239,258	0.02 1.91
BOEING CO/THE 2.196% 4FEB2026	1,630,000	12,026,437	1.51
BOEING CO/THE 2.7% 1FEB2027	1,030,000	7,583,437	0.95
BOEING CO/THE 2.7% IT EB2027 BOEING CO/THE 4.875% 1MAY2025	250,000	1,942,350	0.93
BP CAPITAL MARKETS AMERICA INC 3.588%	230,000	1,772,330	0.24
14APR2027	365,000	2,763,168	0.35
BP CAPITAL MARKETS AMERICA INC 4.234%	202,000	_,. 55,100	5.55
6NOV2028	530,000	4,113,214	0.52
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Investments	* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$ equivalent	% of NAV
Listed/quoted debt instruments (continued)		o qui vaioni	
Fixed coupon rate debt instruments (continued)			
Denominated in United States Dollar (continued)			
BROADCOM INC 3.137% 15NOV2035	198,000	1,269,315	0.16
BROADCOM INC 3.419% 15APR2033	702,000	4,814,520	0.60
CENTENE CORP 3.375% 15FEB2030	240,000	1,681,453	0.21
CHILE GOVERNMENT INTERNATIONAL			
BOND 4.95% 5JAN2036	500,000	3,858,098	0.48
COCA-COLA FEMSA SAB DE CV 2.75%			
22JAN2030	500,000	3,495,295	0.44
COMCAST CORP 3.95% 15OCT2025	875,000	6,738,833	0.84
COMCAST CORP 4.15% 15OCT2028	180,000	1,385,958	0.17
CONSTELLATION BRANDS INC 2.875%			
1FEB2030	1,250,000	8,742,379	1.10
CONTINENTAL RESOURCES INC/OK 3.8%			
1JUN2024	1,065,000	8,251,447	1.03
CORP NACIONAL DEL COBRE DE CHILE 4.25%			
17JUL2042	500,000	3,168,471	0.40
COSTAR GROUP INC 2.8% 15JUL2030	705,000	4,678,929	0.59
CSL FINANCE PLC 3.85% 27APR2027	250,000	1,900,054	0.24
CSL FINANCE PLC 4.25% 27APR2032	675,000	5,141,387	0.64
CVS HEALTH CORP 3.25% 15AUG2029	335,000	2,437,574	0.31
CVS HEALTH CORP 5% 1DEC2024	360,000	2,796,133	0.35
EASTERN ENERGY GAS HOLDINGS LLC 2.5%			
15NOV2024	230,000	1,749,061	0.22
EASTERN GAS TRANSMISSION & STORAGE			
INC 3% 15NOV2029	900,000	6,261,454	0.78
ENERGY TRANSFER LP 3.75% 15MAY2030	1,875,000	13,596,033	1.70
ENERGY TRANSFER LP 6.05% 1DEC2026	300,000	2,408,351	0.30
ENTERPRISE PRODUCTS OPERATING LLC			
3.125% 31JUL2029	1,015,000	7,413,016	0.93
ESSENTIAL UTILITIES INC 2.4% 1MAY2031	800,000	5,207,730	0.65
GE CAPITAL FUNDING LLC 4.55% 15MAY2032	1,025,000	7,833,323	0.98
GEORGIA POWER CO 3.25% 30MAR2027	272,000	2,027,753	0.25
GOLDMAN SACHS GROUP INC/THE 5.7%			
1NOV2024	550,000	4,304,932	0.54
HYUNDAI CAPITAL AMERICA 6.5% 16JAN2029	750,000	6,182,542	0.77
INTUIT INC 5.2% 15SEP2033	650,000	5,313,530	0.67
JBS USA LUX SA / JBS USA FOOD CO / JBS			
USA FINANCE INC 5.5% 15JAN2030	1,250,000	9,592,554	1.20
LAM RESEARCH CORP 3.75% 15MAR2026	805,000	6,172,529	0.77
LAM RESEARCH CORP 4% 15MAR2029	320,000	2,465,448	0.31
MARATHON OIL CORP 4.4% 15JUL2027	1,110,000	8,453,340	1.06
MARKEL GROUP INC 3.35% 17SEP2029	550,000	3,936,410	0.49

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Investments	* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$ equivalent	% of NAV
Listed/quoted debt instruments (continued)		_	
Fixed coupon rate debt instruments (continued)			
Denominated in United States Dollar (continued)			
MICRON TECHNOLOGY INC 4.185% 15FEB2027	750,000	5,744,109	0.72
MICROSOFT CORP 2.4% 8AUG2026	260,000	1,934,564	0.24
MORGAN STANLEY 5% 24NOV2025	530,000	4,132,400	0.52
MPLX LP 4.25% 1DEC2027	340,000	2,597,234	0.33
MPLX LP 4.875% 1DEC2024	250,000	1,940,996	0.24
NATIONAL AUSTRALIA BANK LTD 2.332%	0.50.000	5 405 000	0.60
21AUG2030	850,000	5,407,029	0.68
NETFLIX INC 4.875% 15APR2028	845,000	6,686,443	0.84
NETFLIX INC 5.875% 15NOV2028	160,000	1,315,311	0.17
NEXTERA ENERGY CAPITAL HOLDINGS INC	000 000	7.040.016	0.00
5.05% 28FEB2033	900,000	7,040,816	0.88
NISOURCE INC 5.25% 30MAR2028	650,000	5,175,112	0.65
NORFOLK SOUTHERN CORP 5.05% 1AUG2030	800,000	6,395,609	0.80
NUCOR CORP 2.7% 1JUN2030	225,000	1,590,498	0.20
NUVEEN FINANCE LLC 4.125% 1NOV2024	800,000	6,151,123	0.77 0.92
NUVEEN LLC 4% 1NOV2028 NVIDIA CORP 2.85% 1APR2030	965,000	7,358,653	
NXP BV / NXP FUNDING LLC / NXP USA INC	430,000	3,105,288	0.39
2.7% 1MAY2025	150,000	1,128,919	0.14
NXP BV / NXP FUNDING LLC / NXP USA INC	130,000	1,120,919	0.14
3.15% 1MAY2027	150,000	1,112,001	0.14
ORACLE CORP 2.5% 1APR2025	230,000	1,736,136	0.14
ORACLE CORP 3.25% 15NOV2027	780,000	5,782,299	0.22
ORACLE CORP 6.15% 9NOV2029	75,000	630,004	0.72
PARAMOUNT GLOBAL 4.2% 19MAY2032	400,000	2,787,657	0.08
PARKER-HANNIFIN CORP 3.25% 14JUN2029	850,000	6,245,000	0.33
PEPSICO INC 1.4% 25FEB2031	250,000	1,614,248	0.70
PERUSAHAAN PERSEROAN PERSERO PT	230,000	1,014,240	0.20
PERUSAHAAN LISTRIK NEGARA 3.875%			
17JUL2029	500,000	3,687,112	0.46
PERUVIAN GOVERNMENT INTERNATIONAL	200,000	3,007,112	0.10
BOND 5.625% 18NOV2050	400,000	3,247,663	0.41
PPL CAPITAL FUNDING INC 3.1% 15MAY2026	2,500,000	18,709,545	2.34
PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISE GROUP INC	2,300,000	10,707,545	2.54
2.45% 15NOV2031	800,000	5,254,351	0.66
PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISE GROUP INC	300,000	2,22 1,221	5.00
2.875% 15JUN2024	750,000	5,780,925	0.72
REPUBLIC SERVICES INC 2.5% 15AUG2024	550,000	4,213,039	0.53
ROCHE HOLDINGS INC 1.93% 13DEC2028	775,000	5,402,621	0.68
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Investments	* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$ equivalent	% of NAV
Listed/quoted debt instruments (continued)		-	
Fixed coupon rate debt instruments (continued)			
Denominated in United States Dollar (continued)			
RTX CORP 6% 15MAR2031	400,000	3,327,350	0.42
S&P GLOBAL INC 2.45% 1MAR2027	600,000	4,417,851	0.55
SALESFORCE INC 3.7% 11APR2028	445,000	3,404,782	0.43
SAUDI ARABIAN OIL CO 4.25% 16APR2039	500,000	3,488,666	0.44
SOUTHERN CO/THE 5.2% 15JUN2033	600,000	4,779,100	0.60
STEEL DYNAMICS INC 2.8% 15DEC2024	1,090,000	8,299,890	1.04
TAKE-TWO INTERACTIVE SOFTWARE INC 4%			
14APR2032	825,000	6,117,287	0.77
TENCENT HOLDINGS LTD 3.975% 11APR2029	250,000	1,857,052	0.23
T-MOBILE USA INC 3.5% 15APR2031	750,000	5,353,862	0.67
T-MOBILE USA INC 5.05% 15JUL2033	725,000	5,705,206	0.72
TRANS-ALLEGHENY INTERSTATE LINE CO			
3.85% 1JUN2025	605,000	4,625,826	0.58
UNITED STATES TREASURY NOTE/BOND			
4.875% 30NOV2025	400,000	3,155,746	0.40
UNITED STATES TREASURY NOTE/BOND			
4.875% 31OCT2030	725,000	5,987,590	0.75
UNITEDHEALTH GROUP INC 5.35% 15FEB2033	325,000	2,684,714	0.34
VERIZON COMMUNICATIONS INC 1.75%			
20JAN2031	1,100,000	7,064,594	0.89
VMWARE LLC 1.8% 15AUG2028	560,000	3,833,759	0.48
VMWARE LLC 3.9% 21AUG2027	360,000	2,726,937	0.34
VMWARE LLC 4.65% 15MAY2027	190,000	1,470,925	0.18
VODAFONE GROUP PLC 4.125% 30MAY2025	115,000	885,846	0.11
WALMART INC 4.1% 15APR2033	50,000	386,723	0.05
WARNERMEDIA HOLDINGS INC 3.755%			
15MAR2027	2,550,000	19,079,068	2.39
WASTE CONNECTIONS INC 2.6% 1FEB2030	575,000	4,028,201	0.50
WASTE CONNECTIONS INC 3.5% 1MAY2029	825,000	6,160,534	0.77
WASTE MANAGEMENT INC 4.625% 15FEB2030	150,000	1,184,505	0.15
WEC ENERGY GROUP INC 2.2% 15DEC2028	1,150,000	7,987,765	1.00
ZOETIS INC 3.9% 20AUG2028	1,020,000	7,793,515	0.98
Total fixed coupon rate debt instruments		592,042,740	74.18

INVESTMENT REPORT (continued) Portfolio Statement as at 31 December 2023 (continued)

Investments Listed/quoted debt instruments (continued)	* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$ equivalent	% of NAV
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Floating coupon rate debt instruments			
Denominated in United States Dollar			
BANK OF AMERICA CORP 2.551% 4FEB2028	850,000	6,148,324	0.77
BANK OF AMERICA CORP 2.884% 22OCT2030	925,000	6,406,826	0.80
BANK OF AMERICA CORP 4.571% 27APR2033	2,000,000	14,885,904	1.86
BANK OF AMERICA CORP 5.08% 20JAN2027	400,000	3,116,534	0.39
BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON CORP/THE			
4.967% 26APR2034	750,000	5,827,485	0.73
CITIGROUP INC 3.52% 27OCT2028	955,000	7,052,705	0.88
CITIGROUP INC 3.785% 17MAR2033	420,000	2,949,485	0.37
GOLDMAN SACHS GROUP INC/THE 1.948%			
21OCT2027	825,000	5,893,312	0.74
GOLDMAN SACHS GROUP INC/THE 3.102%			
24FEB2033	210,000	1,407,621	0.18
HSBC HOLDINGS PLC 1.589% 24MAY2027	1,600,000	11,458,924	1.44
JPMORGAN CHASE & CO 2.083% 22APR2026	2,000,000	14,958,798	1.87
JPMORGAN CHASE & CO 4.912% 25JUL2033	1,515,000	11,696,608	1.47
MORGAN STANLEY 0.985% 10DEC2026	1,550,000	11,135,242	1.39
MORGAN STANLEY 3.591% 22JUL2028	1,500,000	11,181,554	1.40
MORGAN STANLEY 6.342% 18OCT2033	750,000	6,314,954	0.79
NATWEST GROUP PLC 4.269% 22MAR2025	775,000	6,030,144	0.76
PNC FINANCIAL SERVICES 6.875% 20OCT2034	325,000	2,817,278	0.35
STANDARD CHARTERED PLC 2.819%			
30JAN2026	800,000	6,039,632	0.76
STATE STREET CORP 4.821% 26JAN2034	325,000	2,497,145	0.31
TRUIST FINANCIAL CORP 7.161% 30OCT2029	1,250,000	10,541,840	1.32
UBS GROUP AG 1.364% 30JAN2027	1,640,000	11,742,119	1.47
UBS GROUP AG 2.193% 5JUN2026	935,000	6,943,110	0.87
WELLS FARGO & CO 2.393% 2JUN2028	1,085,000	7,759,953	0.97
WELLS FARGO & CO 5.557% 25JUL2034	400,000	3,179,975	0.40
Total floating coupon rate debt instruments		177,985,472	22.29
Total listed/quoted debt instruments		770,028,212	96.47
Total investments		770,028,212	96.47

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Investments	* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$	% of NAV
Listed/quoted debt instruments (continued)		equivalent	
Other net assets		28,135,672	3.53
Total net asset value		798,163,884	100.00
Total cost of investments		799,330,723	

^{*} The value of each holding as a percentage of the total net asset value is accounted for on the trade day.

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Principal U.S. Equity Fund

Investments Listed shares	* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$ equivalent	% of NAV
Listed shares			
United Kingdom			
CME GROUP INC CME FIDELITY NATIONAL INFO SERV FIS	8,775 4,726	14,430,289 2,216,771	0.23 0.04
		16,647,060	0.27
United States			
3M CO COM USD0.01	6,953	5,935,283	0.10
ABBOTT LABORATORIES COM NPV	30,422	26,147,265	0.42
ABBVIE INC COM USD0.01	34,551	41,809,772	0.67
ACCENTURE PLC-CL A CLS'A'USD0.0000225	12,557	34,407,347	0.55
ADOBE INC	9,052	42,169,392	0.67
ADV MICRO DEVICES INC COM USD0.01	28,746	33,088,259	0.53
AFLAC INC COM USD0.10	15,163	9,768,067	0.16
AGILENT TECHNOLOGIES INC COM STK USD0.01	9,219	10,008,336	0.16
AIR PRODUCTS & CHEMICALS INC COM USD1	3,006	6,426,758	0.10
AIRBNB INC	11,470	12,193,228	0.19
AKAMAI TECHNOLOGIES INC COM STK USD0.01	6,283	5,806,372	0.09
ALLEGION PLC CIM USD0.01 'WI'	5,263	5,206,493	0.08
ALLIANT ENERGY CORP COM	3,063	1,226,970	0.02
ALLSTATE CORP COM USD0.01	2,351	2,569,734	0.04
ALPHABET INC-CL A GOOGL	117,299	127,946,725	2.04
ALPHABET INC-CL C GOOG	99,818	109,845,397	1.76
ALTRIA GROUP INC COM USD0.333333	25,887	8,154,309	0.13
AMAZON.COM INC USD0.01	179,343	212,777,694	3.40
AMCOR PLC	16,296	1,226,670	0.02
AMEREN CORP COM	1,941	1,096,412	0.02
AMERICAN ELECTRIC POWER COM USD6.50	5,301	3,361,943	0.05
AMERICAN EXPRESS CO COM USD0.20	13,838	20,242,931	0.32
AMERICAN INTERNATIONAL GROUP COM	9.220	4 401 515	0.07
USD2.50	8,320	4,401,515	0.07
AMERICAN TOWER CORP COM NEW USD0.01 AMERICAN WATER WORKS CO INC COM STK	7,209	12,152,258	0.19
USD0.01	1,197	1,233,686	0.02
AMERIPRISE FINANCIAL INC COM STK USD0.01	3,112	9,229,930	0.15
AMETEK INC COM USD0.01	6,959	8,960,056	0.14
AMGEN INC COM USD0.0001	9,183	20,652,697	0.33
AMPHENOL CORP-CL A CL A	15,986	12,374,124	0.20
ANALOG DEVICES INC COM USD0.16 2/3	12,026	18,645,864	0.30
ANSYS INC COM USD0.01	2,963	8,395,840	0.13

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Investments	* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$ equivalent	% of NAV
Listed shares (continued)			
United States (continued)			
AON PLC	5,093	11,573,536	0.18
APPLE INC	290,067	436,080,112	6.97
APPLIED MATERIALS INC COM USD0.01	18,998	24,042,524	0.38
APTIV PLC	1,933	1,354,225	0.02
ARCH CAPITAL GROUP LTD COM USD0.01	11,568	6,708,743	0.11
ARCHER-DANIELS-MIDLAND CO COM NPV	5,551	3,130,389	0.05
ARISTA NETWORKS INC ARISTA NETWORKS INC	6,680	12,284,440	0.20
ARTHUR J GALLAGHER & CO COM USD1	2,779	4,879,878	0.08
ASSURANT INC COM USD0.01	3,292	4,331,153	0.07
AT&T INC COM STK USD1	117,604	15,409,324	0.25
ATMOS ENERGY CORP COM NPV	1,906	1,724,946	0.03
AUTODESK INC COM USD0.01	5,951	11,314,172	0.18
AUTOMATIC DATA PROCESSING COM USD0.10	9,737	17,713,106	0.28
AUTOZONE INC COM STK USD0.01	492	9,933,394	0.16
AVALONBAY COMMUNITIES INC COM USD0.01	882	1,289,408	0.02
AVERY DENNISON CORP COM USD1	3,619	5,712,857	0.09
AXON ENTERPRISE INC	3,053	6,158,447	0.10
BAKER HUGHES A GE CO	9,336	2,491,738	0.04
BANK OF AMERICA CORP COM STK USD0.01	123,196	32,389,875	0.52
BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON CORP COM STK			
USD0.01	23,392	9,507,310	0.15
BECTON DICKINSON AND CO COM USD1	4,176	7,950,916	0.13
BERKSHIRE HATHAWAY INC-CL B CLASS'B'COM			
USD0.0033	36,074	100,465,801	1.61
BEST BUY CO INC COM USD0.10	2,284	1,396,100	0.02
BIOGEN INC	1,219	2,463,129	0.04
BIO-TECHNE CORP TECH	2,554	1,538,802	0.02
BLACKROCK INC CLASS'A'COM USD0.01	2,217	14,053,493	0.22
BLACKSTONE GROUP INC/THE	10,268	10,496,908	0.17
BOEING CO/THE COM USD5	9,401	19,134,538	0.31
BOOKING HOLDINGS INC	820	22,712,844	0.36
BORGWARNER INC	4,485	1,255,513	0.02
BOSTON SCIENTIFIC CORP COM STK	35,669	16,101,393	0.26
BRISTOL-MYERS SQUIBB CO COM STK USD0.10	33,935	13,596,259	0.22
BROADCOM INC	8,178	71,281,712	1.14
BROADRIDGE FINANCIAL SOL-W/I COM STK			
USD0.01	4,380	7,036,934	0.11
BROWN & BROWN INC COM	9,602	5,331,654	0.09
BUNGE GLOBAL SA	6,474	5,103,270	0.08
C.H. ROBINSON WORLDWIDE INC COM USD0.1	6,913	4,663,367	0.07
CADENCE DESIGN SYS INC COM STK USD0.01	6,742	14,338,957	0.23

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Investments	* Portfolio holdings	<i>Fair</i> value HK\$/HK\$ equivalent	% of NAV
Listed shares (continued)		1	
United States (continued)			
CAESARS ENTERTAINMENT INC	3,468	1,269,510	0.02
CAMDEN PROPERTY TRUST SBI USD0.01	1,683	1,304,846	0.02
CAPITAL ONE FINANCIAL CORP COM USD0.01	11,017	11,279,811	0.18
CARDINAL HEALTH INC COM NPV	8,496	6,687,204	0.11
CARRIER GLOBAL CORP-W/I	23,679	10,622,407	0.17
CATERPILLAR INC COM STK USD1	11,571	26,714,540	0.43
CBOE GLOBAL MARKETS INC	4,124	5,750,060	0.09
CBRE GROUP INC	1,989	1,445,797	0.02
CDW CORP/DE COM USD0.01 CELANESE CORP-SERIES A COM SERIES 'A'	4,364	7,746,258	0.12
USD0.0001	1,243	1,508,023	0.02
CENCORA INC	5,122	8,214,238	0.02
CENTENE CORP COM USD0.001	15,734	9,117,402	0.15
CF INDUSTRIES HOLDINGS INC COM USD0.01	8,395	5,211,436	0.13
CHARLES RIVER LABORATORIES COM STK	0,373	3,211,430	0.00
USD0.01	858	1,583,813	0.03
CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS INC	2,904	8,813,702	0.14
CHEVRON CORP COM USD0.75	34,743	40,465,903	0.65
CHIPOTLE MEXICAN GRILL INC COM USD0.01	713	12,732,616	0.20
CHUBB LTD	9,744	17,195,518	0.27
CHURCH & DWIGHT CO INC USD1	1,609	1,188,045	0.02
CIGNA CORP	7,077	16,547,907	0.26
CINCINNATI FINANCIAL CORP COM USD2	6,770	5,469,287	0.09
CINTAS CORP COM	2,385	11,223,551	0.18
CISCO SYSTEMS INC COM USD0.001	81,075	31,983,048	0.51
CITIGROUP INC COM USD0.01	29,443	11,826,400	0.19
CITIZENS FINANCIAL GROUP CFG	23,930	6,192,482	0.10
CMS ENERGY CORP COM USD0.01	2,637	1,195,726	0.02
COCA-COLA CO/THE COM USD0.25	76,124	35,028,988	0.56
COGNIZANT TECH SOLUTIONS-A COM			
CL'A'USD0.01	15,513	9,149,236	0.15
COLGATE-PALMOLIVE CO COM USD1	11,505	7,160,923	0.11
COMCAST CORP-CLASS A COM CLS'A' USD0.01	89,966	30,804,741	0.49
COMERICA INC COM USD5	3,559	1,550,992	0.03
CONAGRA BRANDS INC	5,290	1,183,863	0.02
CONOCOPHILLIPS COM USD0.01	26,780	24,271,695	0.39
CONSOLIDATED EDISON INC COM	2,639	1,874,594	0.03
CONSTELLATION BRANDS INC-A CLASS'A'COM			
USD0.01	4,695	8,862,814	0.14

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Investments	* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$ equivalent	% of NAV
Listed shares (continued)			
United States (continued)			
CONSTELLATION ENERGY-W/I	3,347	3,054,940	0.05
COPART INC COM NPV	24,682	9,443,782	0.15
CORNING INC COM USD0.50	5,261	1,250,907	0.02
CORTEVA INC-W/I	5,948	2,225,652	0.04
COSTAR GROUP INC COM USD0.01	12,697	8,664,279	0.14
COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP COM STK USD0.005	8,803	45,372,930	0.73
COTERRA ENERGY INC	28,449	5,669,141	0.09
CROWN CASTLE INTL CORP CCI	4,737	4,260,766	0.07
CSX CORP COM USD1	51,547	13,954,902	0.22
CUMMINS INC COM USD2.50	1,117	2,089,561	0.03
CVS HEALTH CORP CVS	19,955	12,303,493	0.20
DANAHER CORP COM USD0.01	11,101	20,053,140	0.32
DARDEN RESTAURANTS INC COM NPV	4,795	6,151,708	0.10
DAVITA INC	5,187	4,243,081	0.07
DEERE & CO COM USD1	4,392	13,713,575	0.22
DELTA AIR LINES INC COM USD0.0001 'WI'	4,268	1,340,738	0.02
DEVON ENERGY CORPORATION COM USD0.10	4,609	1,630,326	0.03
DEXCOM INC COM USD0.001	3,943	3,820,613	0.06
DIAMONDBACK ENERGY INC	5,832	7,062,246	0.11
DIGITAL REALTY TRUST INC COM STK USD0.01	3,114	3,272,417	0.05
DISCOVER FINANCIAL SERVICES COM STK	1.710	1 505 1 60	0.00
USD0.01	1,740	1,527,162	0.02
DOLLAR GENERAL CORP COM USD0.875	1,242	1,318,470	0.02
DOLLAR TREE INC COM USD0.01	1,299	1,440,854	0.02
DOMINION ENERGY INC	8,316	3,051,981	0.05
DOMINO'S PIZZA INC COM USD0.01	1,665	5,359,489	0.09
DOVER CORP COM	1,094	1,313,928	0.02
DOW INC-W/I	6,462	2,767,158	0.04
DR HORTON INC COM USD0.01	8,986	10,664,056	0.17
DTE ENERGY COMPANY COM NPV	1,493	1,285,427	0.02
DUKE ENERGY CORP NPV	11,011	8,343,477	0.13
DUPONT DE NEMOURS INC	3,733	2,242,453	0.04
EATON CORP PLC	9,508	17,879,331	0.29
EBAY INC COM USD0.001	3,765	1,282,390	0.02
ECOLAB INC COM	2,967	4,595,357	0.07
EDISON INTERNATIONAL COM NPV	2,343	1,307,938	0.02
EDWARDS LIFESCIENCES CORP COM STK USD1	17,635	10,499,893	0.17
ELECTRONIC ARTS INC COM USD0.01	2,114	2,258,356	0.04
ELEVANCE HEALTH INC ANTM	5,438	20,023,764	0.32
ELI LILLY & CO COM STK NPV	15,787	71,858,494	1.15

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Investments	* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$ equivalent	% of NAV
Listed shares (continued)			
United States (continued)			
EMERSON ELECTRIC CO COM USD0.50	7,062	5,367,153	0.09
ENTERGY CORP COM USD0.01	1,534	1,212,083	0.02
EOG RESOURCES INC COM USD0.01	14,447	13,644,358	0.22
EPAM SYSTEMS INC EPAM SYSTEMS INC	2,697	6,261,867	0.10
EQT CORP COM STK NPV	16,295	4,919,101	0.08
EQUIFAX INC COM USD1.25	792	1,529,330	0.02
EQUINIX INC EQIX	1,365	8,584,370	0.14
EQUITY RESIDENTIAL SBI USD0.01	2,692	1,285,618	0.02
ESSEX PROPERTY TRUST INC COM USD0.0001	2,776	5,374,470	0.09
ESTEE LAUDER COMPANIES-CL A CLASS'A'COM			
USD0.01	1,367	1,561,112	0.03
EVEREST GROUP LTD	1,801	4,972,456	0.08
EXELON CORP COM NPV	10,144	2,843,631	0.05
EXPEDITORS INTL WASH INC COM USD0.01	6,119	6,077,670	0.10
EXTRA SPACE STORAGE INC COM USD0.01	1,240	1,552,409	0.02
EXXON MOBIL CORP COM NPV	79,437	62,016,252	0.99
F5 INC	3,468	4,846,778	0.08
FACTSET RESEARCH SYSTEMS INC COM USD0.01	1,556	5,796,196	0.09
FAIR ISAAC CORP COM USD0.01	850	7,725,831	0.12
FASTENAL CO COM USD0.01	17,382	8,791,099	0.14
FEDERAL REALTY INVS TRUST	1,600	1,287,471	0.02
FEDEX CORP COM STK USD0.10	6,050	11,950,716	0.19
FIFTH THIRD BANCORP COM NPV	27,951	7,527,662	0.12
FISERV INC	15,024	15,584,181	0.25
FLEETCOR TECHNOLOGIES INC COM STK			
USD0.001	3,050	6,730,649	0.11
FORD MOTOR CO	40,411	3,846,563	0.06
FORTINET INC COM USD0.001	5,607	2,562,587	0.04
FORTIVE CORP -W/I	2,232	1,283,271	0.02
FOX CORP - CLASS A - W/I	4,929	1,141,947	0.02
FOX CORP- CLASS B	15,827	3,417,144	0.05
FREEPORT-MCMORAN INC	17,370	5,773,950	0.09
GARMIN LTD COM CHF10.00	6,151	6,173,814	0.10
GARTNER INC COM STK USD0.0005	2,434	8,573,785	0.14
GE HEALTHCARE TECHNOLOG-W/I	2,507	1,513,616	0.02
GEN DIGITAL INC	30,391	5,415,395	0.09
GENERAL DYNAMICS CORP COM USD1	5,948	12,060,416	0.19
GENERAL ELECTRIC CO	24,623	24,539,363	0.39
GENERAL MILLS INC COM STK USD0.10	5,946	3,024,421	0.05
GENERAL MOTORS CO	13,583	3,809,795	0.06

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Investments	* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$	% of NAV
Listed shares (continued)		equivalent	
United States (continued)			
GENUINE PARTS CO COM	1,077	1,164,756	0.02
GILEAD SCIENCES INC COM USD0.001	19,710	12,467,943	0.20
GLOBAL PAYMENTS INC COM NPV	8,482	8,411,463	0.13
GLOBE LIFE INC	4,835	4,595,449	0.07
GOLDMAN SACHS GROUP INC COM STK USD0.01	5,387	16,227,252	0.26
HALLIBURTON CO COM STK USD2.50	8,291	2,340,371	0.04
HARTFORD FINANCIAL SVCS GRP COM USD0.01	10,943	6,868,374	0.11
HCA HEALTHCARE INC	5,555	11,741,127	0.19
HERSHEY CO/THE COM USD1	4,828	7,028,713	0.11
HESS CORP COM USD1	2,895	3,258,839	0.05
HEWLETT PACKARD ENTERPRIS-WI HPE-W	9,115	1,208,548	0.02
HILTON WORLDWIDE HOLDINGS IN HLT-W	7,399	10,520,313	0.17
HOME DEPOT INC COM USD0.05	19,957	54,004,594	0.86
HONEYWELL INTERNATIONAL INC	11,141	18,243,697	0.29
HOST HOTELS & RESORTS INC COM STK USD0.01	8,898	1,352,782	0.02
HOWMET AEROSPACE INC	14,965	6,324,178	0.10
HP INC HPQ	5,250	1,233,534	0.02
HUBBELL INC -CL B	2,311	5,935,714	0.10
HUMANA INC COM USD0.166	3,177	11,357,220	0.18
HUNT JB COM USD0.01	840	1,310,128	0.02
HUNTINGTON BANCSHARES INC COM STK NPV	14,257	1,416,070	0.02
HUNTINGTON INGALLS INDUSTRIE COM			
USD0.01	2,349	4,762,381	0.08
IDEX CORP USD0.01	759	1,286,741	0.02
IDEXX LABORATORIES INC COM USD0.10	2,480	10,748,635	0.17
ILLINOIS TOOL WORKS COM NPV	6,998	14,313,482	0.23
ILLUMINA INC COM USD0.01	1,572	1,709,173	0.03
INGERSOLL-RAND INC	13,271	8,014,517	0.13
INTEL CORP	73,067	28,669,947	0.46
INTERCONTINENTAL EXCHANGE IN			
INTERCONTINENTALEXCHANGE INC	14,644	14,685,737	0.23
INTERPUBLIC GROUP OF COS INC COM USD0.10	5,076	1,293,723	0.02
INTL BUSINESS MACHINES CORP COM USD0.20	15,507	19,803,770	0.32
INTUIT INC	6,209	30,303,450	0.48
INTUITIVE SURGICAL INC COM USD0.001	8,221	21,656,476	0.35
INVITATION HOMES INC	22,918	6,104,189	0.10
IQVIA HOLDINGS INC	1,729	3,123,851	0.05
IRON MOUNTAIN INC IRM	2,467	1,348,071	0.02
JACK HENRY & ASSOCIATES INC COM USD0.01	970	1,237,713	0.02

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Investments	* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$ equivalent	% of NAV
Listed shares (continued)		•	
United States (continued)			
JACOBS SOLUTIONS INC	5,207	5,277,543	0.08
JM SMUCKER CO/THE COM NPV	1,348	1,330,264	0.02
JOHNSON & JOHNSON COM STK USD1	47,249	57,828,511	0.92
JOHNSON CONTROLS INTERNATION	6,239	2,808,074	0.05
JPMORGAN CHASE & CO COM USD1	57,070	75,802,186	1.21
KENVUE INC	14,902	2,505,291	0.04
KEURIG DR PEPPER INC	8,186	2,129,837	0.03
KEYCORP COM USD1	13,442	1,511,457	0.02
KEYSIGHT TECHNOLOGIES IN KEYS-W	1,183	1,469,593	0.02
KIMBERLY-CLARK CORP COM USD1.25	3,662	3,474,561	0.06
KIMCO REALTY CORP COM USD0.01	8,296	1,380,453	0.02
KINDER MORGAN INC COM USD0.01	16,163	2,226,333	0.04
KLA-TENCOR CORPORATION COM USD0.001	3,390	15,387,553	0.25
KRAFT HEINZ CO/THE KHC	4,778	1,379,693	0.02
KROGER CO COM USD1	4,716	1,683,273	0.03
L3HARRIS TECHNOLOGIES INC	1,747	2,873,175	0.05
LABORATORY CRP OF AMER HLDGS COM	710	1 262 650	0.02
USD0.1	712	1,263,659	0.02
LAM RESEARCH CORP COM USD0.001 LAMB WESTON HOLDINGS INC LW-W	3,170	19,388,078	0.31 0.02
LENNAR CORP COM	1,517	1,280,385	0.02
LINDE PLC	7,963 9,715	9,267,212 31,156,426	0.13
LIVE NATION ENTERTAINMENT IN COM STK	9,713	31,130,420	0.30
USD0.01	1,664	1,216,182	0.02
LKQ CORP COM USD0.01	3,256	1,215,041	0.02
LOCKHEED MARTIN CORP COM USD1	3,602	12,747,983	0.02
LOEWS CORP COM USD0.01	9,174	4,985,114	0.20
LOWE'S COS INC COM USD0.50	9,677	16,816,588	0.08
LULULEMON ATHLETICA INC COM STK USD0.01	3,155	12,596,103	0.20
LYONDELLBASELL INDU-CL A COM USD0.01	3,133	12,570,105	0.20
CLASS 'A'	1,565	1,161,912	0.02
M & T BANK CORP COM	6,392	6,841,958	0.02
MARATHON OIL CORP COM USD1	5,841	1,101,929	0.02
MARATHON PETROLEUM CORP COM USD0.01	10,371	12,014,536	0.19
MARKETAXESS HOLDINGS INC COM USD0.003	659	1,506,955	0.02
MARRIOTT INTERNATIONAL -CL A	6,782	11,942,442	0.19
MARSH & MCLENNAN COS COM USD1	11,564	17,108,742	0.27
MARTIN MARIETTA MATERIALS COM USD0.01	2,026	7,892,802	0.13
MASCO CORP COM USD1	10,992	5,748,988	0.09
MASTERCARD INC-CLASS A COM USD0.0001	10,772	2,. 10,200	0.07
CLASS 'A'	16,503	54,961,891	0.88

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Investments	* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$ equivalent	% of NAV
Listed shares (continued)		•	
United States (continued)			
MCCORMICK & CO-NON VTG SHRS COM N/VTG NPV	2,240	1 106 742	0.02
MCDONALD'S CORP COM USD0.01	14,239	1,196,742 32,967,680	0.02
MCKESSON CORP COM USD0.01	3,435	12,418,196	0.33
MEDTRONIC PLC MDT	21,197	13,635,333	0.20
MERCK & CO. INC. COM USD0.50	49,694	42,303,829	0.22
META PLATFORMS INC-CLASS A	43,949	121,471,035	1.94
METLIFE INC COM USD0.01	6,428	3,319,280	0.05
METTLER-TOLEDO INTERNATIONAL COM	0,420	3,317,200	0.03
USD0.01	144	1,363,887	0.02
MICROCHIP TECHNOLOGY INC COM USD0.001	15,495	10,911,171	0.17
MICRON TECHNOLOGY INC	16,728	11,147,211	0.18
MICROSOFT CORP COM USD0.00000625	146,645	430,596,852	6.88
MID-AMERICA APARTMENT COMM COM STK	- 13,5 15	,	
USD0.01	5,350	5,617,155	0.09
MODERNA INC MRNA	2,077	1,612,913	0.03
MOLINA HEALTHCARE INC COM USD0.001	2,159	6,091,190	0.10
MONDELEZ INTERNATIONAL INC	32,094	18,151,473	0.29
MONOLITHIC POWER SYSTEMS INC COM STK			
USD0.001	1,661	8,181,202	0.13
MONSTER BEVERAGE CORP MNST	21,198	9,535,914	0.15
MOODY'S CORP COM USD0.01	4,174	12,729,453	0.20
MORGAN STANLEY COM STK USD0.01	20,306	14,785,730	0.24
MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS INC COM USD0.01	4,472	10,933,030	0.17
MSCI INC-A COM STK USS0.01	2,283	10,083,777	0.16
NASDAQ INC	2,800	1,271,167	0.02
NETAPP INC COM USD0.001	8,909	6,132,959	0.10
NETFLIX INC COM USD0.001	8,822	33,539,651	0.54
NEWMONT CORP NEM	12,069	3,900,644	0.06
NEXTERA ENERGY INC COM USD0.01	33,225	15,758,299	0.25
NIKE INC -CL B CLASS'B'COM NPV	27,663	23,451,934	0.37
NISOURCE INC COM NPV	5,878	1,218,607	0.02
NORDSON CORP COM NPV	2,699	5,567,234	0.09
NORFOLK SOUTHERN CORP COM USD1	2,646	4,883,938	0.08
NORTHERN TRUST CORP COM USD1.666	2,054	1,353,348	0.02
NORTHROP GRUMMAN CORP COM USD1	2,020	7,384,085	0.12
NUCOR CORP COM STK USD0.40	7,290	9,907,091	0.16
NVIDIA CORP	48,793	188,679,729	3.01
NVR INC COM STK USD0.01 NXP SEMICONDUCTORS NV	124 7.057	6,778,244	0.11 0.20
OCCIDENTAL PETROLEUM CORP COM USD0.20	7,057	12,656,477 3,342,063	0.20
OCCIDENTAL FETROLEUM CORP COM USDU.20	7,168	3,342,003	0.03

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Investments	* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$ equivalent	% of NAV
Listed shares (continued)		•	
United States (continued)			
OLD DOMINION FREIGHT LINE COM USD0.10	2,699	8,542,425	0.14
ON SEMICONDUCTOR	3,040	1,982,831	0.03
ONEOK INC COM USD0.01 ORACLE CORP COM USD0.01	17,128	9,391,545	0.15
O'REILLY AUTOMOTIVE INC COM USD0.01	27,857	22,933,382	0.37 0.18
OTIS WORLDWIDE CORP-W/I	1,557 3,662	11,550,967 2,558,382	0.18
P G & E CORP COM NPV	63,253	8,905,256	0.04
PACCAR INC COM USD1	14,484	11,044,098	0.14
PACKAGING CORP OF AMERICA COM USD0.01	4,149	5,277,895	0.08
PALO ALTO NETWORKS INC PALO ALTO	1,1 19	0,277,070	0.00
NETWORKS	7,459	17,174,950	0.27
PARKER HANNIFIN CORP COM USD0.50	3,400	12,231,133	0.20
PAYCHEX INC COM USD0.01	9,514	8,848,729	0.14
PAYCOM SOFTWARE INC PAYC	3,091	4,989,431	0.08
PAYPAL HOLDINGS INC PYPLV	28,361	13,599,727	0.22
PENTAIR PLC PENTAIR PLC	2,411	1,368,866	0.02
PEPSICO INC CAP USD0.016666	26,935	35,721,238	0.57
PFIZER INC COM USD0.05	98,779	22,206,281	0.35
PHILIP MORRIS INTERNATIONAL COM STK NPV	26,567	19,516,834	0.31
PHILLIPS 66 COM USD0.01	11,977	12,451,628	0.20
PIONEER NATURAL RESOURCES CO COM STK	- 1 10	40.505.005	0.45
USD0.01	6,143	10,787,005	0.17
PNC FINANCIAL SERVICES GROUP COM USD5	10,904	13,184,589	0.21
POOL CORP COM USD0.001	1,881	5,856,194	0.09
PPG INDUSTRIES INC COM USD1.666 PROCTER & GAMBLE CO/THE PG	7,465	8,717,376	0.14 0.85
PROGRESSIVE CORP COM USD1	46,735 13,797	53,477,116 17,159,928	0.83
PROLOGIS INC COM USD0.01	14,664	15,263,430	0.27
PRUDENTIAL FINANCIAL INC COM USD0.01	3,175	2,571,188	0.24
PTC INC COM USD0.01	4,740	6,475,699	0.10
PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISE GP COM NPV	15,789	7,539,120	0.12
PUBLIC STORAGE COM USD0.10	1,641	3,908,211	0.06
PULTE GROUP INC	8,772	7,070,205	0.11
QUALCOMM INC	24,956	28,184,018	0.45
QUANTA SERVICES INC COM USD0.00001	4,933	8,312,507	0.13
RALPH LAUREN CORP CLASS 'A' COM USD0.01	3,957	4,455,545	0.07
RAYMOND JAMES FINANCIAL INC COM USD0.01	1,450	1,262,445	0.02
REALTY INCOME CORP COM USD1	6,673	2,991,947	0.05
REGENERON PHARMACEUTICALS COM USD0.001	2,563	17,577,459	0.28

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Investments	* Portfolio holdings	Fair value	% of NAV
		HK\$/HK\$ equivalent	
Listed shares (continued)		equivalent	
United States (continued)			
REGIONS FINANCIAL CORP COM STK USD0.01	9,730	1,472,435	0.02
REPUBLIC SERVICES INC COM USD0.01	6,357	8,185,944	0.13
RESMED INC COM USD0.004	1,020	1,370,089	0.02
ROBERT HALF INC	6,872	4,717,809	0.08
ROCKWELL AUTOMATION INC COM USD1	871	2,111,647	0.03
ROLLINS INC COM USD1	14,952	5,098,613	0.08
ROPER TECHNOLOGIES INC	1,400	5,959,770	0.10
ROSS STORES INC COM USD0.01	9,699	10,480,964	0.17
ROYAL CARIBBEAN CRUISES LTD COM STK	0.25	0.450.204	0.4.4
USD0.01	8,376	8,469,201	0.14
RTX CORP	24,263	15,941,036	0.25
S&P GLOBAL INC	5,495	18,901,787	0.30
SALESFORCE INC	19,381	39,822,874	0.64
SBA COMMUNICATIONS CORP-CL A	676	1,339,120	0.02
SCHLUMBERGER LTD COM USD0.01	21,279	8,646,852	0.14
SCHWAB (CHARLES) CORP COM USD0.01	36,087	19,386,918	0.31
SEALED AIR CORP COM USD0.10	4,614	1,315,764	0.02
SEMPRA ENERGY COM NPV	7,205	4,204,347	0.07
SERVICENOW INC COM USD0.001	4,595	25,349,015	0.41
SHERWIN-WILLIAMS CO/THE COM USD1	6,102	14,861,311	0.24
SIMON PROPERTY GROUP INC COM USD0.0001	9,609	10,702,594	0.17
SKYWORKS SOLUTIONS INC COM USD0.25	7,245	6,359,918	0.10
SMITH (A.O.) CORP COM USD1	7,426	4,780,381	0.08
SNAP-ON INC COM USD1	2,408	5,431,045	0.09
SOUTHERN CO COM USD5	16,095	8,812,567	0.14
STARBUCKS CORP COM	19,069	14,295,980	0.23
STATE STREET CORP COM STK USD1	2,175	1,315,547	0.02
STEEL DYNAMICS INC COM STK USD0.01	6,465	5,961,945	0.10
STERIS PLC	3,749	6,435,932	0.10
STRYKER CORP COM USD0.10	7,960	18,613,217	0.30
SYNCHRONY FINANCIAL SYF	4,950	1,476,129	0.02
SYNOPSYS INC COM	3,698	14,868,521	0.24
SYSCO CORP COM USD1	15,386	8,785,993	0.14
T ROWE PRICE GROUP INC COM USD0.20	1,579	1,327,783	0.02
TAKE-TWO INTERACTIVE SOFTWRE COM	070	1 221 704	0.00
USD0.01	972	1,221,594	0.02
TAPESTRY INC	17,361	4,990,110	0.08
TARGA RESOURCES CORP COM USD0.001	1,717	1,164,688	0.02
TARGET CORP COM STK USD0.0833	5,670	6,305,559	0.10

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Investments	* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$ equivalent	% of NAV
Listed shares (continued)			
United States (continued)			
TE CONNECTIVITY LTD COM CHF0.57	9,110	9,994,573	0.16
TELEDYNE TECHNOLOGIES INC COM USD0.01	380	1,324,251	0.02
TELEFLEX INC COM USD1	717	1,395,985	0.02
TESLA INC	54,303	105,362,195	1.68
TEXAS INSTRUMENTS INC COM USD1	15,409	20,510,039	0.33
TEXTRON INC COM USD0.125	8,700	5,463,273	0.09
THERMO FISHER SCIENTIFIC INC COM USD1	8,431	34,943,900	0.56
TJX COMPANIES INC COM USD1	26,668	19,534,807	0.31
T-MOBILE US INC TMUS	12,687	15,883,393	0.25
TRACTOR SUPPLY COMPANY COM STK USD0.008	4,005	6,724,672	0.11
TRANE TECHNOLOGIES PLC	6,129	11,672,690	0.19
TRANSDIGM GROUP INC COM USD0.01	722	5,703,160	0.09
TRAVELERS COS INC/THE COM NPV	2,383	3,544,588	0.06
TRUIST FINANCIAL CORP	38,695	11,155,424	0.18
TYLER TECHNOLOGIES INC COM USD0.01	1,705	5,566,662	0.09
UDR INC COM USD0.01 ULTA SALON COSMETICS & FRAGR COM STK	4,535	1,355,914	0.02
	274	1 420 062	0.02
USD0.01 UNION PACIFIC CORP COM USD2.50	374	1,430,963	0.02 0.32
UNITED PARCEL SERVICE CL B	10,280 16,905	19,716,344 20,754,876	0.32
UNITED PARCEL SERVICE CL B UNITED RENTALS INC COM STK USD0.01	2,138	9,573,045	0.33
UNITED RENTALS INC COM STR USDO.01 UNITEDHEALTH GROUP INC COM USD0.01	18,337	75,382,660	1.20
UNIVERSAL HEALTH SERVICES-B CLASS'B'COM	10,557	73,362,000	1.20
USD0.01	4,041	4,810,136	0.08
US BANCORP COM USD0.01	19,985	6,753,998	0.11
VALERO ENERGY CORP COM USD0.01	9,899	10,048,569	0.11
VERISIGN INC COM USD0.001	3,522	5,664,242	0.09
VERISK ANALYTICS INC-CLASS A COM USD0.001	3,322	3,001,212	0.07
CLASS 'A'	4,389	8,186,128	0.13
VERIZON COMMUNICATIONS INC COM USD0.10	72,741	21,413,624	0.34
VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INC COM USD0.01	6,054	19,234,858	0.31
VICI PROPERTIES INC	7,008	1,744,544	0.03
VISA INC-CLASS A SHARES COM STK USD0.0001	31,841	64,731,225	1.03
VULCAN MATERIALS CO COM USD1	4,353	7,716,195	0.12
WABTEC CORP	6,761	6,699,496	0.11
WALMART INC	28,368	34,921,448	0.56
WALT DISNEY CO/THE DISNEY COM USD0.01	32,014	22,570,914	0.36
WARNER BROS DISCOVERY INC	14,747	1,310,435	0.02
WASTE MANAGEMENT INC COM USD0.01	9,394	13,137,590	0.21
WATERS CORP COM USD0.01	2,618	6,730,365	0.11

INVESTMENT REPORT (continued) Portfolio Statement as at 31 December 2023 (continued)

Investments	* Portfolio holdings	Fair value HK\$/HK\$ equivalent	% of NAV
Listed shares (continued)		•	
United States (continued)			
WEC ENERGY GROUP INC WEC	1,837	1,207,358	0.02
WELLS FARGO & CO COM USD1 2/3	63,222	24,298,496	0.39
WELLTOWER INC HCN	6,650	4,682,236	0.07
WEST PHARMACEUTICAL SERVICES COM			
USD0.25	2,535	6,970,087	0.11
WEYERHAEUSER CO WY	4,889	1,327,377	0.02
WILLIAMS COS INC COM USD1	34,431	9,364,243	0.15
WILLIS TOWERS WATSON PLC	599	1,128,168	0.02
WR BERKLEY CORP COM USD0.20	9,314	5,143,373	0.08
WW GRAINGER INC COM STK USD0.50	1,339	8,664,474	0.14
XCEL ENERGY INC COM	4,621	2,233,913	0.04
XYLEM INC COM USD0.01	1,480	1,321,616	0.02
YUM! BRANDS INC COM NPV	2,617	2,670,029	0.04
ZIMMER BIOMET HOLDINGS INC	1,378	1,309,512	0.02
ZIONS BANCORPORATION COM NPV	14,069	4,819,483	0.08
ZOETIS INC ZOETIS INC	11,239	17,321,215	0.28
		6,109,704,082	97.61
Total listed shares		6,126,351,142	97.88
Total investments		6,126,351,142	97.88
Other net assets		132,554,345	2.12
Total net asset value		6,258,905,487	100.00
Total cost of investments		4,525,608,053	

^{*} The value of each holding as a percentage of the total net asset value is accounted for on the trade day.

INVESTMENT REPORT (continued)

Statement of movements in portfolio holdings

Principal Asian Bond Fund

	% of	% of
	net assets	net assets
	as at	as at
	31 December	31 December
	2023	2022
Listed/quoted debt instruments		
Non-certificates of deposit	97.25	92.44
Forward contracts (by currency)		
United States Dollar		(0.01)
	97.25	92.43
Other net assets	2.75	7.57
Total net assets	100.00	100.00

INVESTMENT REPORT (continued)

Statement of movements in portfolio holdings (continued)

Principal Asian Equity Fund

	% of net assets as at	% of net assets as at
	31 December	31 December
	2023	2022
Listed shares (by country/by region)		
Australia	16.19	11.39
China	0.44	1.13
Hong Kong	22.73	35.46
India	16.82	14.62
Indonesia	2.77	2.63
Malaysia	0.64	1.51
New Zealand	-	0.58
Singapore	2.10	6.08
South Korea	12.57	7.06
Taiwan	13.22	7.04
Thailand	1.55	2.74
The Philippines	1.68	1.78
United Kingdom	0.65	-
United States	5.41	1.37
	96.77	93.39
Other net assets	3.23	6.61
Total net assets	100.00	100.00

INVESTMENT REPORT (continued)

Statement of movements in portfolio holdings (continued)

Principal China Equity Fund

	% of	% of
	net assets	net assets
	as at	as at
	31 December	31 December
	2023	2022
Listed shares (by industry sector)		
Consumer discretionary	27.06	27.73
Consumer staples	3.36	6.68
Energy	2.42	1.89
Financials	19.00	16.03
Health care	6.86	7.41
Industrials	6.64	6.70
Information technology	7.16	5.77
Materials	2.97	3.07
Real Estate	2.21	5.27
Telecommunication services	17.29	14.29
Utilities	2.21	2.51
	97.18	97.35
Other net assets	2.82	2.65
Total net assets	100.00	100.00

INVESTMENT REPORT (continued)

Statement of movements in portfolio holdings (continued)

Principal European Equity Fund

	% of net assets as at 31 December 2023	% of net assets as at 31 December 2022
Listed shares (by country/by region)		
Austria	0.52	0.34
Belgium	0.42	-
Denmark	7.05	6.87
Finland	0.34	0.89
France	23.56	23.14
Germany	4.82	7.33
Greece	2.06	0.40
Ireland	2.16	2.66
Italy	2.58	2.16
Netherlands	7.33	6.72
Norway	1.01	2.36
Portugal	0.38	0.93
Spain	3.53	2.62
Sweden	6.10	4.44
Switzerland	6.72	9.26
United Kingdom	28.39	27.61
Forward contracts (by country/by region)	96.97	97.73
Hong Kong	(0.81)	(0.05)
	96.16	97.68
Other net assets	3.84	2.32
Total net assets	100.00	100.00

INVESTMENT REPORT (continued)

Statement of movements in portfolio holdings (continued)

Principal Hong Kong Bond Fund

	% of	% of
	net assets	net assets
	as at	as at
	31 December	31 December
	2023	2022
Listed/quoted debt instruments		
Certificates of deposit	15.12	9.41
Non-certificates of deposit	82.41	87.89
	97.53	97.30
Other net assets	2.47	2.70
Total net assets	100.00	100.00

INVESTMENT REPORT (continued)

Statement of movements in portfolio holdings (continued)

Principal Hong Kong Dollar Savings Fund

	% of	% of
	net assets	net assets
	as at	as at
	31 December	31 December
	2023	2022
Listed/quoted debt instruments		
Certificates of deposit	4.78	3.65
Non-certificates of deposit	81.73	67.19
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	86.51	70.84
Other net assets	13.49	29.16
		<u> </u>
Total net assets	100.00	100.00

INVESTMENT REPORT (continued)

Statement of movements in portfolio holdings (continued)

Principal Hong Kong Equity Fund

	% of	% of
	net assets	net assets
	as at	as at
	31 December	31 December
	2023	2022
Listed shares (by industry sector)		
Consumer discretionary	23.91	24.98
Consumer staples	0.79	3.72
Energy	2.09	1.16
Financials	29.78	28.45
Health care	5.26	6.43
Industrials	5.43	4.12
Information technology	4.19	3.17
Materials	1.94	0.68
Real Estate	4.67	7.59
Telecommunication services	16.20	14.14
Utilities	1.94	2.65
	96.20	97.09
Other net assets	3.80	2.91
Total net assets	100.00	100.00

INVESTMENT REPORT (continued)

Statement of movements in portfolio holdings (continued)

Principal International Bond Fund

	% of net assets as at 31 December	% of net assets as at 31 December
	2023	2022
Listed/quoted debt instruments (by currency)		
Non-certificates of deposit (by currency)		
Australian Dollar	1.72	1.25
British Pound	3.89	3.52
Canadian Dollar	3.07	2.56
Czech Koruna	0.15	0.04
Danish Krone	0.24	0.26
Euro	21.15	14.17
Hungarian Forint	0.28	-
Japanese Yen	8.25	9.63
Mexican Dollar	1.78	0.36
New Zealand Dollar	1.39	0.05
Norwegian Krone	1.33	0.41
Polish Zloty	0.80	0.58
Renminbi	5.70	-
Romanian Leu	1.87	-
Singapore Dollar	0.53	0.05
Swedish Krona	-	0.08
Swiss Franc	-	0.25
Thai Baht	0.05	0.05
United States Dollar	39.07	63.48
	91.27	96.74
Forward contracts (by currency)		
United States Dollar	(0.07)	(0.04)
	91.20	96.70
Other net assets	8.80	3.30
Total net assets	100.00	100.00

INVESTMENT REPORT (continued)

Statement of movements in portfolio holdings (continued)

Principal International Equity Fund

	% of	% of
	net assets	net assets
	as at	as at
	31 December	31 December
	2023	2022
Listed shares (by country/by region)		
Australia	0.21	0.87
Austria	0.08	0.08
Belgium	2.12	-
Brazil	0.11	0.14
Canada	3.03	6.78
China	-	0.80
Denmark	1.29	1.73
France	2.83	2.53
Germany	0.12	1.14
Greece	1.05	-
Hong Kong	0.09	2.86
India	1.24	0.23
Indonesia	0.04	0.06
Ireland	0.02	0.04
Israel	-	0.03
Italy	1.24	1.15
Japan	8.18	3.94
Malaysia	0.02	0.05
Mexico	0.11	1.00
Netherlands	1.45	1.51
Poland	0.03	0.03
Singapore	0.03	0.14
South Africa	0.02	-
South Korea	1.18	1.44
Spain	1.22	1.18
Sweden	0.90	0.82
Switzerland	0.14	1.98
Taiwan	2.15	2.05
Thailand	0.02	0.06
The Philippines	0.06	0.06
United Kingdom	6.56	6.82
United States	61.27	56.71
	96.81	96.23
Other net assets	3.19	3.77
Total net assets	100.00	100.00

INVESTMENT REPORT (continued)

Statement of movements in portfolio holdings (continued)

Principal Pension Bond Fund

	% of	% of
	net assets	net assets
	as at	as at
	31 December	31 December
	2023	2022
Listed/quoted debt instruments		
Fixed coupon rate debt instruments	74.18	73.38
Floating coupon rate debt instruments		21.36
	96.47	94.74
Other net assets	3.53	5.26
Total net assets	100.00	100.00

INVESTMENT REPORT (continued)

Statement of movements in portfolio holdings (continued)

Principal U.S. Equity Fund

	% of	% of
	net assets	net assets
	as at	as at
	31 December	31 December
	2023	2022
Listed shares (by industry sector)		
Consumer discretionary	11.11	9.56
Consumer staples	5.28	7.01
Energy	3.98	5.11
Financials	13.35	12.16
Health care	12.34	15.37
Industrials	9.24	8.42
Information technology	29.06	25.05
Materials	2.16	2.66
Real Estate	1.73	2.63
Telecommunication services	8.30	7.11
Utilities	1.33	3.12
	97.88	98.20
Other net assets	2.12	1.80
Total net assets	100.00	100.00

INVESTMENT REPORT (continued)

Investment income and performance

					Ye	ar ended 31 Decem	her 2023				
	Principal Asian Bond Fund HK\$	Principal Asian Equity Fund HK\$	Principal China Equity Fund HK\$	Principal European Equity Fund HK\$	Principal Hong Kong Bond Fund HK\$	Principal Hong Kong Dollar Savings Fund HK\$	Principal Hong Kong Equity Fund HK\$	Principal International Bond Fund HK\$	Principal International Equity Fund HK\$	Principal Pension Bond Fund HK\$	Principal U.S. Equity Fund HK\$
Investment performance	ПΚФ	ПКф	ПХф	ПХФ	ПХФ	Шф	ПХФ	ПКФ	ПКф	ПХф	ПКФ
Net gains/(losses) of investments – realised Net gains/(losses) of investments – unrealised	4,597,362 36,517,250	(51,364,266) 	(559,523,795) (76,750,969)	21,306,784 	(39,941,965) 362,625,292	85,136,549 	(1,247,300,889) (516,096,569)	(473,924,406) 851,303,371	60,269,919 840,181,122	(97,741,773) 196,335,351	(59,828,072) 1,299,323,969
					Yea	ar ended 31 Decem	ber 2022				
	Principal Asian Bond Fund	Principal Asian Equity Fund	Principal China Equity Fund	Principal European Equity Fund	Principal Hong Kong Bond Fund	Principal Hong Kong Dollar Savings Fund	Principal Hong Kong Equity Fund	Principal International Bond Fund	Principal International Equity Fund	Principal Pension Bond Fund	Principal U.S. Equity Fund
Investment performance	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$
Net gains/(losses) of investments – realised Net gains/(losses) of investments – unrealised	(19,699,470) (34,876,926)	(608,186,006) (666,926,453)	(1,093,595,089) (326,269,227)	(215,504,668) (883,002,505)	62,280,739 (593,601,860)	22,158,181 (45,881,220)	(2,687,867,920) (233,455,568)	(23,805,864) (872,422,094)	(158,275,055) (815,642,772)	30,429,463 (265,515,683)	11,546,143 (1,190,055,603)
					Yea	ar ended 31 Decem	ber 2021				
	Principal Asian Bond Fund HK\$	Principal Asian Equity Fund HK\$	Principal China Equity Fund HK\$	Principal European Equity Fund HK\$	Principal Hong Kong Bond Fund HK\$	Principal Hong Kong Dollar Savings Fund HK\$	Principal Hong Kong Equity Fund HK\$	Principal International Bond Fund HK\$	Principal International Equity Fund HK\$	Principal Pension Bond Fund HK\$	Principal U.S. Equity Fund HK\$
Investment performance	шф	Πιν	ПΚφ	11114	ПХФ	шф	πινψ	П	π	ПΑф	1114ψ
Net gains of investments – realised Net gains/(losses) of investments – unrealised	11,599,328 (5,634,218)	736,963,833 (878,509,464)	312,495,597 (1,307,821,558)	155,994,502 457,617,052	189,917,118 (199,453,904)	32,710,158 _(21,689,562)	922,064,273 (3,229,336,360)	119,871,587 (366,872,413)	441,843,469 105,004,298	107,444,680 (125,977,759)	603,731,066 687,438,940

INVESTMENT REPORT (continued)

Investment income and performance (continued)

					Ye	ar ended 31 Decemb	er 2023				
	Principal Asian	Principal Asian	Principal China	Principal European	Principal Hong Kong	Principal Hong Kong	Principal Hong Kong	Principal International	Principal International	Principal Pension	Principal U.S.
	Bond	Equity	Equity	Equity	Bond	Dollar Savings	Equity	Bond	Equity	Bond	Equity
	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund
	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$
Income derived from investments											
Bank interest	71	2,042,699	487	641,936	467	659	7,071	988,873	985,378	813,689	199,001
Fixed deposit interest	-	-	-	-	-	31,182,486	-	-	-	-	-
Gross dividend income	-	136,813,293	93,553,894	80,468,967	-	-	341,624,559	541	61,395,470	-	90,256,810
Other income	713	7,021	295,563	4,435	1,500,113	33,025	319,831	111,720	61,852	189	669,957
	Year ended 31 December 2022										
	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal
	Asian	Asian	China	European	Hong Kong	Hong Kong	Hong Kong	International	International	Pension	U.S.
	Bond	Equity	Equity	Equity	Bond	Dollar Savings	Equity	Bond	Equity	Bond	Equity
	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund
	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$
Income derived from investments											
Bank interest	32	129,399	682	43,026	1,759	684	4,484	64,542	43,754	25,682	3,464
Fixed deposit interest	-	-	-	_	_	13,820,035	-	· -	-	· -	· -
Gross dividend income	-	143,184,778	103,755,948	98,133,252	-	-	316,540,727	-	65,883,161	-	86,555,869
Other income	1,379	45,906		93,090	4,609			75,366	106,997		31,101
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					Ye	ar ended 31 Decemb	er 2021				
	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal
	Asian	Asian	China	European	Hong Kong	Hong Kong	Hong Kong	International	International	Pension	Ú.S.
	Bond	Equity	Equity	Equity	Bond	Dollar Savings	Equity	Bond	Equity	Bond	Equity
	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund
	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$
Income derived from investments											
Bank interest	30	68,101	13,322	67,636	768	4,738	-	113,664	86,156	64,687	2,362
Fixed deposit interest	-	-		-	-	8,206,831	-	-	-	-	-
Gross dividend income Other income	-	132,369,435	100,689,184	89,560,307 4,362	-	- -	270,968,452	-	48,701,300 219,970	-	75,848,158 197,562

INVESTMENT REPORT (continued)

Information On Exposure Arising From Financial Derivative Instruments

Principal Asian Bond Fund

G1	oss exposure		Net	exposure (note a))
Highest	Lowest	Average exposure	Highest	Lowest	Average exposure
2,980,995	2,902,506	2,938,171	-	-	-
Principal European	Equity Fund				
Gı	oss exposure		Net	exposure (note a)	
Highest	Lowest	Average exposure	Highest	Lowest	Average exposure
528,767,394	5,082,792	52,188,471	-	-	-
Principal Internatio	nal Bond Fund				
G1	oss exposure		Net	exposure (note a))
Highest	Lowest	Average exposure	Highest	Lowest	Average exposure
298,832,086	5,855,158	60,615,265	_	-	-

note a: The financial derivative instruments are used for hedging purpose and not included in the calculation of the net derivative exposure.

INVESTMENT REPORT (continued)

Investment objectives and policies

Each sub-fund of Principal Life Style Fund (the "Sub-fund") has a separate and distinct investment objective and policy, as described below:

Principal Asian Bond Fund

The investment objective of the Principal Asian Bond Fund is to provide a return consisting of income and capital growth over medium to long term. The Sub-Fund will seek to achieve its investment objective by investing a majority of its assets in Asian debt securities, including but not limited to sovereign, quasi-sovereign, agency, corporate bonds of varying maturities issued by the government, multi-lateral agencies or by companies, and denominated primarily in U.S. dollars and major Asian currencies. The types of debt securities that the Sub-Fund intends to primarily invest into are government bonds, corporate bonds/debentures, floating rate notes, bills, commercial papers and certificates of deposit. In addition, the Sub-Fund invests not more than 30% of its assets in time deposits or may hold cash.

Other than U.S. dollars and Hong Kong dollars, exposure to any single Asian currency, including (but not limited to) China RMB, South Korean Won and Singaporean dollars, will not exceed 30% of the Sub-Fund's total assets. During special circumstances, such as periods of uncertainty or high volatility in Asian debt securities markets, the Sub-Fund may invest up to 30% of its assets in non-Asian assets to protect the Sub-Fund. During periods of high volatility, Asian debt securities may be less liquid or with higher bid-offer spreads etc., making them more difficult and expensive to transact in the market. In those cases, to help the Sub-Fund maintain liquidity and buffer against market volatility, the Manager may choose to invest in non-Asian assets, such as U.S. Treasuries, non-Asian highly rated sovereign debt securities, which are more liquid and have lower bid-offer spread etc.

The Sub-fund may enter into financial futures contracts, financial option contracts and currency forward contracts for hedging purposes.

The risk profile of this Sub-fund is generally regarded as moderate. In the long term, the return of the Principal Asian Bond Fund is expected, but not guaranteed, to be comparable to the inflation rates in Hong Kong.

Principal Asian Equity Fund

The investment objective of the Principal Asian Equity Fund is to seek capital growth over the long term by investment in Asian equity markets.

To achieve its objective, the Sub-fund will invest primarily in equity securities of companies in the Asian Region. The Sub-Fund will invest less than 30% of its net asset value in eligible China A-Shares and B-Shares listed on the Shanghai and Shenzhen stock exchanges. In addition, the Sub-fund may hold cash and short-term investments such as bills and deposits.

Investment markets may include, but are not limited to, Hong Kong, Singapore, South Korea, Malaysia, Taiwan, Thailand, the Philippines, Indonesia, India and China.

The Sub-fund may enter into financial futures contracts, financial option contracts and currency forward contracts for hedging purposes.

The risk profile of this Sub-fund is generally regarded as high. In the long term, the return of this Sub-fund is expected to exceed the inflation rates in Hong Kong.

INVESTMENT REPORT (continued)

Investment objectives and policies (continued)

Principal China Equity Fund

The investment objective of the Principal China Equity Fund is to achieve capital growth over the long term by investing mainly in China-related equities.

The Principal China Equity Fund will invest at least 70% of its assets in equities issued by companies with exposure to different sectors of the economy in the People's Republic of China (Mainland China) or in collective investment schemes as permitted under the MPF Regulation which primarily invest in such equity securities. Equity securities include but are not limited to equity shares, preference shares and depositary receipts.

This Sub-fund may hold cash and short-term investments for cash management purpose. It will maintain an effective exposure of at least 30% in Hong Kong dollars.

This Sub-fund will not enter into any financial futures contracts or financial options contracts.

The Sub-Fund will invest less than 30% of its net asset value in eligible China A-Shares and B-Shares listed on the Shanghai and Shenzhen stock exchanges.

The risk profile of this Sub-fund is generally regarded as high. In the long term, the return of this Sub-fund is expected to exceed the inflation rates in Hong Kong.

Principal European Equity Fund

The investment objective of the Principal European Equity Fund is to achieve capital growth over the long-term by investing mainly in European equity markets.

This Sub-fund will invest primarily in listed equities issued by companies established in Europe or by companies whose shares are listed in Europe or by companies that are listed elsewhere but have substantial business in Europe.

This Sub-fund may hold cash and short-term investments for cash management purpose.

This Sub-fund will not enter into any financial futures contracts or any financial option contracts.

The risk profile of this Sub-fund is generally regarded as high. In the long term, the return of this Sub-fund is expected to exceed the inflation rates in Hong Kong.

INVESTMENT REPORT (continued)

Investment objectives and policies (continued)

Principal Hong Kong Bond Fund

The investment objective of the Principal Hong Kong Bond Fund is to provide a return consisting of income and capital growth over medium to long term.

This Sub-fund will seek to achieve its investment objective by primarily investing at least 70% of its assets in Hong Kong debt securities (rated or unrated), including (but not limited to) sovereign and/or non-sovereign, floating and/or fixed, of varying maturities issued by the government or by multi-lateral agencies or by companies, and denominated in Hong Kong dollars.

The types of debt securities that this Sub-fund primarily intends to invest into are government bonds, corporate bonds/debentures, floating rate notes, bills, commercial papers and certificates of deposit.

This Sub-fund will invest not more than 30% of its assets in other short-term investments such as bills and deposits or may hold cash.

This Sub-fund will not enter into any financial derivative instruments, including financial futures contracts or financial option contracts.

The risk profile of this Sub-fund is generally regarded as moderate.

Principal Hong Kong Dollar Savings Fund

The investment objective of the Principal Hong Kong Dollar Savings Fund is to earn a competitive short-to-medium-term rate of return.

To achieve its investment objective, the Sub-fund will invest primarily in a portfolio of high quality short-to-medium duration debt securities (rated or unrated), including (but not limited to) sovereign and/or non-sovereign, floating and/or fixed, of varying maturities issued by the government or by multi-lateral agencies or by companies, and denominated in Hong Kong dollars. The types of debt securities that the Sub-fund primarily intends to invest into are government bonds, corporate bonds/debentures, floating rate notes, bills, commercial papers and the Sub-fund may also hold assets denominated in other currencies.

This Sub-fund will not enter into any financial future contracts or financial options contracts.

The risk profile of this Sub-fund is generally regarded as low. In the long term, the return of this Sub-fund is expected to exceed the Hong Kong dollar bank saving rates in Hong Kong.

INVESTMENT REPORT (continued)

Investment objectives and policies (continued)

Principal Hong Kong Equity Fund

The objective of the Principal Hong Kong Equity Fund is to achieve capital growth over the long-term by investing mainly in Hong Kong equity markets.

The Principal Hong Kong Equity Fund will invest at least 70% of its assets in listed equities issued by companies established in Hong Kong or by companies whose shares are listed (including but not limited to H shares and shares of red-chip companies) on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange. The Principal Hong Kong Equity Fund may also invest in listed equities issued by companies which have business in Hong Kong.

The Sub-Fund may hold up to 30% of its assets in cash and time deposits on a temporary basis or for such longer period as the circumstances require to maintain liquidity.

This Sub-fund will not enter into any financial futures contracts or financial option contracts.

The Sub-Fund will invest less than 30% of its net asset value in eligible China A-Shares and B-Shares listed on the Shanghai and Shenzhen stock exchanges.

The risk profile of this Sub-fund is generally regarded as high. In the long term, the return of this Sub-fund is expected to exceed the inflation rates in Hong Kong.

Principal International Bond Fund

The investment objective of the Principal International Bond Fund is to protect and maximise real asset value in terms of international purchasing power.

To accomplish its objective, the Sub-fund will invest mainly in the global bond markets. The Sub-fund will primarily invest in a portfolio of debt securities, both sovereign and non-sovereign, of varying maturities and denominated in the world's major currencies.

The Sub-fund may enter into financial futures contracts, financial option contracts and currency forward contracts for hedging purposes.

The risk profile of this Sub-fund is generally regarded as moderate. In the long term, the return of this Sub-fund is expected to be comparable to the inflation rates in Hong Kong.

INVESTMENT REPORT (continued)

Investment objectives and policies (continued)

Principal International Equity Fund

The investment objective of the Principal International Equity Fund is to seek capital growth over the long-term by investing in international equity markets.

The Sub-fund seeks to achieve its objective by investing primarily in equity securities selected from investment markets around the world. The Sub-fund may also hold cash and short-term investments.

The Sub-fund may enter into financial futures contracts, financial option contracts and currency forward contracts for hedging purposes.

The risk profile of this Sub-fund is generally regarded as high. In the long term, the return of this Sub-fund is expected to exceed the inflation rates in Hong Kong.

Principal Pension Bond Fund

The investment objective of the Principal Pension Bond Fund is to provide a return consisting of income and capital growth over medium to long term.

This Sub-fund will seek to achieve its investment objective by primarily investing in debt securities, including sovereign and/or non-sovereign, floating and/or fixed, of varying maturities issued by the government or by multi-lateral agencies or by companies throughout the world such that at least 40% is invested at all times in United States and Greater China (People's Republic of China, Hong Kong, Macau and Taiwan). The types of debt securities that the Sub-fund primarily intends to invest into are government bonds, corporate bonds/debentures, bills, commercial paper and certificates of deposit.

This Sub-fund will not enter into any financial futures contracts or financial options contracts.

The risk profile of this Sub-fund is generally regarded as moderate. In the long term, the return of the Sub-fund is expected to be comparable to the inflation rates in Hong Kong.

Principal U.S. Equity Fund

The investment objective of the Principal U.S. Equity Fund is to achieve capital growth over the long term by investing in U.S. equity markets.

The Sub-fund seeks to achieve its objective by investing primarily in U.S. equities. The Sub-fund may also hold cash and short-term securities.

The Sub-fund may enter into financial futures contracts, financial option contracts and currency forward contracts for hedging purposes.

The risk profile of this Sub-fund is generally regarded as high. In the long term, the return of this Sub-fund is expected to exceed the inflation rates in Hong Kong.

INVESTMENT REPORT (continued)

Investment objectives and policies (continued)

Changes in the statement of investment policy

Principal Asian Bond Fund
Principal Asian Equity Fund
Principal China Equity Fund
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Principal Hong Kong Bond Fund
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Principal International Equity Fund
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Principal U.S. Equity Fund

(Sub-funds of Principal Life Style Fund and referred to individually or collectively as the "Sub-funds")

During the year under review, there were no changes in the investment objective and policies of the above Sub-funds that would significantly affect their risk profile.

Commentary by the Trustee

During this financial year, all the investments made by each of the Sub-funds were in accordance with the respective Sub-funds' investment policy and the requirements under the Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes Ordinance and the Securities and Futures Ordinance. For detailed information of each Sub-funds' performance and particulars of investments, please refer to the details in this report.

For and on behalf of

Principal Trust Company (Asia) Limited

Martin Tan Vilos

Hong Kong 26 April 2024

Report of the Trustee to the Unitholders of PRINCIPAL LIFE STYLE FUND (the "Fund")

We hereby confirm that:

- (1) in our opinion, subject to (3) below, the Manager of the Fund has in all material respects managed the Fund in accordance with the provisions of the Trust Deed dated 7 May 2003, as subsequently amended and restated, for the year ended 31 December 2023;
- (2) during the year ended 31 December 2023, subject to (3) below, we have not become aware of any failures by the Custodian, the Manager, or their delegates to comply with the obligations imposed on them:
- (3) we are not aware of any events of a significant nature relating to the Fund that occurred during the year ended 31 December 2023 but have not been reported to the Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes Authority (the "Authority") and/or the Securities and Futures Commission (the "SFC") except for the events specified under the Guidelines on Notification of Events of Significant Nature issued by the Authority;
- (4) subject to (3) above, the provisions of the constitutive documents, the Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes Ordinance, the Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes (General) Regulation, the Code on MPF Investment Funds, the Code on Unit Trusts and Mutual Funds and other relevant guidelines issued by the Authority and the SFC have been complied with in all material respects during the year ended 31 December 2023; and
- (5) in our opinion, there are no material changes which have not been reported to the Authority during the year ended 31 December 2023.

We declare that, during the year ended 31 December 2023, we have supervised and exercised proper controls over all persons appointed or engaged for the purposes of the Fund.

For and on behalf of

Principal Trust Company (Asia) Limited

Martin Tan

Hong Kong

26 April 2024



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Independent auditor's report

To the Trustee of Principal Asian Bond Fund, Principal Asian Equity Fund, Principal China Equity Fund, Principal European Equity Fund, Principal Hong Kong Bond Fund, Principal Hong Kong Dollar Savings Fund, Principal Hong Kong Equity Fund, Principal International Bond Fund, Principal International Equity Fund, Principal Pension Bond Fund and Principal **U.S. Equity Fund**

(Sub-funds of Principal Life Style Fund, an open-ended unit trust established as an umbrella fund under the laws of Hong Kong)

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Principal Asian Bond Fund, Principal Asian Equity Fund, Principal China Equity Fund, Principal European Equity Fund, Principal Hong Kong Bond Fund, Principal Hong Kong Dollar Savings Fund, Principal Hong Kong Equity Fund, Principal International Bond Fund, Principal International Equity Fund, Principal Pension Bond Fund and Principal U.S. Equity Fund (each a separate sub-fund of Principal Life Style Fund and referred to individually or collectively as the "Sub-funds") set out on pages 125 to 194, which comprise the statements of net assets attributable to unitholders as at 31 December 2023, and the statements of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, the statements of changes in net assets attributable to unitholders and the statements of cash flows for the year then ended, and the statements of distribution for the year ended 31 December 2023 for Principal China Equity Fund, Principal Hong Kong Bond Fund and Principal Hong Kong Equity Fund, and notes to the financial statements, including material accounting policy information.

In our opinion, the financial statements give a true and fair view of the financial positions of the Sub-funds as at 31 December 2023, and of their financial transactions and cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards ("HKFRSs") issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants ("HKICPA").

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Hong Kong Standards on Auditing ("HKSAs") and with reference to Practice Note 860.1 (Revised), The Audit of Retirement Schemes issued by the HKICPA. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. independent of the Sub-funds in accordance with the HKICPA's Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (the "Code"), and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.



Independent auditor's report (continued)

To the Trustee of Principal Asian Bond Fund, Principal Asian Equity Fund, Principal China Equity Fund, Principal European Equity Fund, Principal Hong Kong Bond Fund, Principal Hong Kong Dollar Savings Fund, Principal Hong Kong Equity Fund, Principal International Bond Fund, Principal International Equity Fund, Principal Pension Bond Fund and Principal U.S. Equity Fund

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Other Information included in the Annual Report

The Trustee and the Manager of the Sub-funds are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the Annual Report, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon.

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

Responsibilities of Trustee and Manager for the Financial Statements

The Trustee and the Manager of the Sub-funds are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements that give a true and fair view in accordance with HKFRSs issued by the HKICPA, and for such internal control as the Trustee and the Manager determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the Trustee and the Manager of the Sub-funds are responsible for assessing the Sub-funds' abilities to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Trustee and the Manager either intend to liquidate the Sub-funds or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

In addition, the Trustee and the Manager of the Sub-funds are required to ensure that the financial statements have been properly prepared in accordance with the relevant disclosure provisions of the Trust Deed dated 7 May 2003, as subsequently amended (the "Trust Deed"), the Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes Ordinance (the "Ordinance"), the Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes (General) Regulation (the "General Regulation"), the Code on MPF Investment Funds (the "MPF Code"), Guideline II.5 issued by the Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes Authority (the "Authority"), and Appendix E to the Code on Unit Trusts and Mutual Funds (the "UT Code") issued by the Securities and Futures Commission (the "SFC").



Independent auditor's report (continued)

To the Trustee of Principal Asian Bond Fund, Principal Asian Equity Fund, Principal China Equity Fund, Principal European Equity Fund, Principal Hong Kong Bond Fund, Principal Hong Kong Dollar Savings Fund, Principal Hong Kong Equity Fund, Principal International Bond Fund, Principal International Equity Fund, Principal Pension Bond Fund and Principal U.S. Equity Fund

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Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with HKSAs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements. In addition, we are required to assess whether the financial statements of the Sub-funds have been properly prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with the relevant disclosure provisions of the Trust Deed, the Ordinance, the General Regulation, the MPF Code and Guidelines II.5 issued by the Authority and the UT Code issued by the SFC.

As part of an audit in accordance with HKSAs, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit
 procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing
 an opinion on the effectiveness of the Sub-funds' internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the Trustee and the Manager.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the Trustee's and the Manager's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Subfunds' abilities to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Sub-funds to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.



Independent auditor's report (continued)

To the Trustee of Principal Asian Bond Fund, Principal Asian Equity Fund, Principal China Equity Fund, Principal European Equity Fund, Principal Hong Kong Bond Fund, Principal Hong Kong Dollar Savings Fund, Principal Hong Kong Equity Fund, Principal International Bond Fund, Principal International Equity Fund, Principal Pension Bond Fund and Principal U.S. Equity Fund

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Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements (continued)

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

Report on matters under the relevant disclosure provisions of the Trust Deed, the Ordinance, the General Regulation, the MPF Code and Guidelines II.5 issued by the Authority, and Appendix E to the UT Code issued by the SFC

- (a) In our opinion, the financial statements have been properly prepared, in all material respect, in accordance with the relevant disclosure provisions of the Trust Deed, the Ordinance, the General Regulation, the MPF Code and Guidelines II.5 issued by the Authority and Appendix E to the UT Code issued by the SFC; and
- (b) We have obtained all the information and explanations which, to the best of our knowledge and belief, are necessary for the purpose of our audit.

Certified Public Accountants

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Hong Kong 26 April 2024

STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

							2023					
		Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal
		Asian	Asian	China	European	Hong Kong	Hong Kong	Hong Kong	International	International	Pension	U.S.
		Bond	Equity	Equity	Equity	Bond	Dollar Savings	Equity	Bond	Equity	Bond	Equity
	Notes	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund
		HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$
Income												
Bank interest income		71	2,042,699	487	641,936	467	659	7,071	988,873	985,378	813,689	199,001
Fixed deposit interest income		/1	2,042,099	407	041,930	407	31,182,486	7,071	700,073	705,570	613,069	199,001
Gross dividend income			136,813,293	93,553,894	80,468,967	_	51,102,400	341,624,559	541	61,395,470	_	90,256,810
Other income		713	7,021	295,563	4,435	1,500,113	33,025	319,831	111,720	61,852	189	669,957
		784	138,863,013	93,849,944	81,115,338	1,500,580	31,216,170	341,951,461	1,101,134	62,442,700	813,878	91,125,768
		704	138,803,013	93,849,944	61,113,336	1,300,380		341,931,401	1,101,134	02,442,700	613,676	91,123,708
Expenses												
Auditor's remuneration		(8,282)	(85,668)	(75,576)	(71,238)	(145,424)	(45,797)	(186,015)	(72,425)	(52,501)	(30,089)	(113,174)
Bank charges		(1,891)	(630)	`	(3,097)	(3,827)	(6,071)	(5,042)	(17)	(394)		`
Distribution fees		-	-	-	-	-	-	(64,609)	_	_	-	-
Formation costs	5	(34,179)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Investment management fees	14(a)	-	(431,192)	(10,591,865)	(104,688)	(10,200,738)	(745,108)	(11,582,349)	(4,008,945)	(3,866,495)	(13,897)	(6,836,464)
Investment transaction costs	6	(32,605)	(22,451,729)	(13,764,869)	(4,019,163)	(394,961)	(248,086)	(44,841,215)	(562,691)	(4,978,840)	(162,722)	(1,259,473)
Legal and other professional fees		(53,400)	(299,876)	(21,407)	(65,993)	(26,108)	(15,400)	(36,490)	(158,533)	(201,929)	(17,846)	(17,765)
Operating expenses		(16,015)	(168,595)	(23,348)	(35,110)	(205,468)	(194,871)	(54,650)	(102,850)	(51,192)	(193,796)	(84,544)
Sub-custodian fees	1.40	(108,402)	(2,562,161)	(1,555,339)	(560,374)	(837,351)	(385,529)	(1,922,859)	(743,856)	(1,571,121)	(290,407)	(349,960)
Trustee fees	14(b)		(80,283)	(1,725,570)	(20,938)	(4,080,295)	(596,087)	(2,086,172)	(1,001,458)	(644,416)	(3,474)	(1,139,411)
		(254,774)	(26,080,134)	(27,757,974)	(4,880,601)	(15,894,172)	(2,236,949)	(60,779,401)	(6,650,775)	(11,366,888)	(712,231)	(9,800,791)
Gains/(losses) on investments and exchange difference												
Gains on investments	3	69,739,070	1,290,993,696	489,102,768	738,761,538	520,597,153	149,582,597	1,268,844,310	1,582,991,245	1,342,887,439	283,255,589	1,657,964,896
Losses on investments	3	(28,624,458)	(1,025,325,183)	(1,125,377,532)	(361,938,567)	(197,913,826)	(8,175,780)	(3,032,241,768)	(1,205,612,280)	(442,436,398)	(184,662,011)	(418,468,999)
Exchange gain/(loss)	3	4,155	(9,533,783)	(1,898,509)	568,743	(1,125,625)	(0,175,700)	(4,414,035)	(3,180,150)	(1,391,997)	(2,453,286)	(475,518)
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		41,118,767	256,134,730	(638,173,273)	377,391,714	321,557,702	_141,406,817	(1,767,811,493)	374,198,815	899,059,044	96,140,292	1,239,020,379
Net income/(loss) before tax		40,864,777	368,917,609	(572,081,303)	453,626,451	307,164,110	170,386,038	(1,486,639,433)	368,649,174	950,134,856	96,241,939	1,320,345,356
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Taxation	9		(41,384,909)	(6,962,367)	_(12,645,809)	_		(16,671,618)	(112,788)	_(11,996,222)		(25,785,599)
Net income/(loss) for the year	12	40,864,777	327,532,700	(579,043,670)	440,980,642	307,164,110	170,386,038	(1,503,311,051)	368,536,386	938,138,634	96,241,939	1,294,559,757
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Distributions to unitholders	12,13			(1,036,050)	-	_(14,348,938)		(1,489,614)				
Increase/(decrease) in net assets		40.074.777	225 522 522	(500.050.550)	440.000.642	202 017 172	150 207 020	(1 504 000 (55)	2/0 #2/ 20/	020 120 724	06.241.020	1 204 550 555
attributable to unitholders		40,864,777	327,532,700	(580,079,720)	440,980,642	292,815,172	170,386,038	(1,504,800,665)	368,536,386	938,138,634	96,241,939	1,294,559,757

STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (continued)

							2022					
		Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal
		Asian	Asian	China	European	Hong Kong	Hong Kong	Hong Kong	International	International	Pension	U.S.
		Bond	Equity	Equity	Equity	Bond	Dollar Savings	Equity	Bond	Equity	Bond	Equity
	Notes	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund
		HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$
Income												
Bank interest income		32	129,399	682	43,026	1,759	684	4,484	64,542	43,754	25,682	3,464
Fixed deposit interest income		-	-	-	· -	_	13,820,035		_		· -	_
Gross dividend income		-	143,184,778	103,755,948	98,133,252	-	-	316,540,727	-	65,883,161	-	86,555,869
Other income		1,379	45,906		93,090	4,609			75,366	106,997		31,101
		1,411	143,360,083	103,756,630	98,269,368	6,368	13,820,719	316,545,211	139,908	66,033,912	25,682	86,590,434
Expenses												
Auditor's remuneration		(3,612)	(61,413)	(60,186)	(16,573)	(102,333)	(39,233)	(152,383)	(59,392)	(39,711)	(30,417)	(31,042)
Bank charges		(515)	(393)	-	(1,140)	(600)	(8,860)	(1,000)	(4,529)	(719)	(102)	(257)
Distribution fees		-	-	-	-	-	-	(63,756)	-		-	-
Formation costs	5	(34,178)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Interest expense		-	-	-	(2,863)		-	-	(18,901)	(1)		
Investment management fees	14(a)	- (20, 020)	(440,086)	(12,482,861)	(125,572)	(13,706,968)	(889,571)	(13,015,778)	(4,337,103)	(3,847,928)	(17,307)	(6,830,795)
Investment transaction costs Legal and other professional fees	6	(29,828) (9,381)	(29,748,405) (478,418)	(16,173,239) (7,764)	(7,521,037) (78,157)	(22,627) (9,469)	(11,754) (5,585)	(46,681,237) (13,234)	(14,058) (176,131)	(5,243,317) (349,709)	(4,164) (6,473)	(97,177) (6,443)
Operating expenses		(10,993)	(39,841)	(105,317)	(36,860)	(375,476)	(226,912)	(170,865)	(254,103)	(98,176)	(191,906)	(49,276)
Sub-custodian fees		(49,215)	(2,008,711)	(1,268,856)	(374,402)	(825,428)	(364,849)	(1,943,233)	(488,401)	(797,466)	(207,443)	(63,120)
Trustee fees	14(b)	(47,213)	(81,499)	(1,995,963)	(25,114)	(5,482,787)	(711,657)	(2,326,273)	(1,083,486)	(641,321)	(4,326)	(1,138,465)
	- 1(0)	(137,722)	(32,858,766)	(32,094,186)	(8,181,718)	(20,525,688)	(2,258,421)	(64,367,759)	(6,436,104)	(11,018,348)	(462,138)	(8,216,575)
Losses on investments and exchange difference												
Gains on investments	3	20,340,727	823,112,646	624.147.838	245,451,845	171,193,172	66,932,686	1.963.751.888	158,189,060	309,190,624	84,999,999	225.547.277
Losses on investments	3	(74,917,123)	(2,098,225,105)	(2,044,012,154)	(1,343,959,018)	(702,514,293)	(90,655,725)	(4,885,075,376)	(1,054,417,018)	(1,283,108,451)	(320,086,219)	(1,404,056,737)
Exchange gain/(loss)		681,947	(12,690,215)	(1,902,238)	97,482,255	(1,181,686)		(1,602,153)	2,176,365	500,929	(412,388)	(217,475)
		(53,894,449)	(1,287,802,674)	(1,421,766,554)	$(\underline{1,001,024,918})$	(532,502,807)	(23,723,039)	(2,922,925,641)	(894,051,593)	(973,416,898)	(235,498,608)	(1,178,726,935)
Net loss before tax		(54,030,760)	(1,177,301,357)	(1,350,104,110)	(910,937,268)	(553,022,127)	(12,160,741)	(2,670,748,189)	(900,347,789)	(918,401,334)	(235,935,064)	(1,100,353,076)
Taxation	9	_	(25,335,194)	(7,367,118)	(13,602,567)	_	-	(17,428,433)	(249,269)	(12,140,401)	-	(24,721,013)
Net loss for the year	12	(54,030,760)	(1,202,636,551)	(1,357,471,228)	(924,539,835)	(553,022,127)	(12,160,741)	(2,688,176,622)	(900,597,058)	(930,541,735)	(235,935,064)	(1,125,074,089)
Distributions to unitholders	12,13			(1,518,964)		(18,851,565)	-	(1,575,995)	-		-	
Decrease in net assets												
attributable to unitholders		(54,030,760)	<u>(1,202,636,551</u>)	<u>(1,358,990,192</u>)	<u>(924,539,835)</u>	<u>(571,873,692)</u>	<u>(12,160,741</u>)	(2,689,752,617)	<u>(900,597,058</u>)	(930,541,735)	(235,935,064)	(1,125,074,089)

STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNITHOLDERS

31 December 2023

							2023					
		Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal
		Asian	Asian	China	European	Hong Kong	Hong Kong	Hong Kong	International	International	Pension	U.S.
		Bond	Equity	Equity	Equity	Bond	Dollar Savings	Equity	Bond	Equity	Bond	Equity
	Notes	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund
		HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$
Assets												
Investments measured at fair value												
through profit or loss	4	713,024,804	5,226,339,480	3,182,945,287	2,226,575,125	3,621,083,157	2,572,842,210	11,202,033,315	5,213,906,196	4,604,432,300	770,028,212	6,126,351,142
Derivative financial instruments		-	-	-	9,011,968	-	-	-	387,007	-	-	-
Interest and dividend receivables	7	8,222,227	3,489,246	3,161,676	1,089,665	43,750,610	54,586,732	10,713,212	44,172,374	2,906,460	6,602,870	3,790,892
Rebate receivable Amounts receivable from brokers		-	-	-	838	40.047.225	-	26 200 562	173,556,937	446.818	-	13,438
Amounts receivable from brokers Amounts receivable on subscriptions		849.631	2.518.246	2.699.968	4,775,275	40,947,335 1.836,263	12.200.304	26,399,563 6,292,817	6,775,622	9.070.216	1,808,632	23,490,155
Cash at banks	8	12,010,328	177,504,625	105,936,505	83,332,523	43,899,800	347,298,417	534,560,289	360,583,070	149,432,546	22,521,188	120,927,147
Formation costs	5	12,010,320	177,304,023	105,750,505	-	-5,077,000	547,270,417	-	-	147,432,340	22,321,100	120,727,147
		734,106,990	5,409,851,597	3,294,743,436	2,324,785,394	3,751,517,165	2,986,927,663	11,779,999,196	5,799,381,206	4,766,288,340	800,960,902	6,274,572,774
		754,100,990	3,409,831,397	3,294,743,430	2,324,763,394	3,731,317,103	2,980,927,003	11,779,999,190	3,799,381,200	4,700,200,340	800,900,902	0,274,372,774
Liabilities												
Derivative financial instruments		_	_	_	27,502,238	_	_	_	4,366,710	_	_	_
Amounts payable to brokers		-	-	8,443,656	839	41,507	-	121,400,403	75,751,274	250,787	-	-
Amounts payable on redemptions		759,015	8,270,082	9,231,206	351,860	32,732,971	12,270,657	11,816,270	5,659,485	9,057,036	2,317,194	14,187,189
Distribution payables		-	-	48,752	-	2,948,925	-	160,053	-	-	-	-
Accrual and other payables		162,275	727,801	1,556,958	772,646	2,988,225	691,564	2,453,847	1,101,260	904,472	479,824	1,480,098
		921,290	8,997,883	19,280,572	28,627,583	38,711,628	12,962,221	135,830,573	86,878,729	10,212,295	2,797,018	15,667,287
Net assets attributable to unitholders		733,185,700	5,400,853,714	3,275,462,864	2,296,157,811	3,712,805,537	2,973,965,442	11,644,168,623	5,712,502,477	4,756,076,045	798,163,884	6,258,905,487

For and on behalf of Principal Trust Company (Asia) Limited

Director

For and on behalf of Principal Asset Management Company (Asia) Limited

Director

Director

STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNITHOLDERS (continued)

31 December 2023

							2022					
		Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal
		Asian	Asian	China	European	Hong Kong	Hong Kong	Hong Kong	International	International	Pension	U.S.
	NT .	Bond	Equity	Equity	Equity	Bond	Dollar Savings	Equity	Bond	Equity	Bond	Equity
	Notes	Fund HK\$	Fund HK\$	Fund HK\$	Fund HK\$	Fund HK\$	Fund HK\$	Fund HK\$	Fund HK\$	Fund HK\$	Fund HK\$	Fund HK\$
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Assets												
Investments measured at fair value												
through profit or loss	4	411,958,119	5,081,103,574	3,767,550,925	2,714,351,405	5,328,791,092	2,361,363,256	11,034,449,100	4,929,401,190	3,477,959,886	2,106,377,263	4,900,392,009
Derivative financial instruments	_	416,538	-	-	5,593,721	-	-	-	1,827,390		-	-
Interest and dividend receivables Rebate receivable	/	3,764,485	1,609,929	-	563,200	45,424,288	36,021,796	-	36,317,733	2,170,897	17,648,636	3,056,023 11,276
Amounts receivable from brokers		1,979,690	-	-	35,116,737	-	-	-	93,730,963	1,054,274	-	11,276
Amounts receivable on subscriptions		994,932	7,430,269	11.495.819	263,655	5,999,442	14.034.132	21,112,675	6.219.348	9.496.576	5,657,972	15,532,472
Cash at banks	8	28,675,231	363,269,255	102,651,195	65,456,124	110,556,169	936,751,508	337,471,279	157,446,138	134,427,382	99,237,639	81,230,722
Formation costs	5											
		447,788,995	5,453,413,027	3,881,697,939	2,821,344,842	5,490,770,991	3,348,170,692	11,393,033,054	5,224,942,762	3,625,109,015	2,228,921,510	5,000,222,502
Liabilities												
Derivative financial instruments		466,429	-	-	7,068,672	-	-	-	4,235,782	-	-	-
Amounts payable to brokers		-	6,870,894	-	36,381,518	-	-	-	121,135,828	1,003,918	-	-
Amounts payable on redemptions		1,583,965	5,344,820	9,933,605	249,368	7,268,727	14,590,667	25,225,378	3,304,570	9,196,530	5,446,691	9,506,609
Distribution payables Accrual and other payables		93,610	541,742	20,903 1,472,614	146,573	4,217,921 2,669,665	305,463	88,699 2,024,863	718.091	686,136	101,128	- 677,947
Accrual and other payables												
		2,144,004	12,757,456	11,427,122	43,846,131	14,156,313	14,896,130	27,338,940	129,394,271	10,886,584	5,547,819	10,184,556
Net assets attributable to unitholders		445 644 001	E 440 655 571	2 970 270 917	2 777 400 711	E 474 414 479	2 222 274 562	11 265 604 114	E 00E E49 401	2 614 222 421	2 222 272 401	4 000 027 046
Net assets attributable to unitholders		445,644,991	5,440,655,571	3,870,270,817	2,777,498,711	5,476,614,678	3,333,274,562	11,365,694,114	5,095,548,491	3,614,222,431	2,223,373,691	4,990,037,946

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNITHOLDERS

							2023					
		Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal
		Asian	Asian	China	European	Hong Kong	Hong Kong	Hong Kong	International	International	Pension	Ū.S.
		Bond	Equity	Equity	Equity	Bond	Dollar Savings	Equity	Bond	Equity	Bond	Equity
	Notes		Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund
		HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$
Balance brought forward		445,644,991	5,440,655,571	3,870,270,817	2,777,498,711	5,476,614,678	3,333,274,562	11,365,694,114	5,095,548,491	3,614,222,431	2,223,373,691	4,990,037,946
Amounts received and receivable on issue of units		468,449,929	640,728,263	855,394,516	328,799,860	911,745,801	1,704,720,873	4,423,360,206	659,459,643	1,087,920,330	715,228,029	1,625,551,762
Amounts paid and payable on redemptions of units		(221,773,997)	(1,008,062,820)	(870,122,749)	(1,251,121,402)	(2,968,370,114)	(2,234,416,031)	(2,640,085,032)	(411,042,043)	(884,205,350)	(2,236,679,775)	(1,651,243,978)
Increase/(decrease) in net assets attributable to unitholders	12	40,864,777	327,532,700	(580,079,720)	440,980,642	292,815,172	170,386,038	(1,504,800,665)	368,536,386	938,138,634	96,241,939	1,294,559,757
Net assets carried forward		733,185,700	5,400,853,714	3,275,462,864	2,296,157,811	3,712,805,537	2,973,965,442	11,644,168,623	5,712,502,477	4,756,076,045	798,163,884	6,258,905,487
Units in issue												
At the beginning of the year												
- Pension class	10	49,107,840.3609	94,934,508.9561	186,155,821.3841	141,106,172.6544	261,506,079.5667	219,703,244.8301	284,161,677.5065	282,900,239.9307	80,442,529.4927	121,594,169.4980	93,573,149.7405
- Retail class	10	-	549,598.5608	32,902,870.6736	-	157,995,241.9174	21,646,982.1085	20,325,219.5861	130,361.3469	9,496,585.8357	-	19,519,802.8776
- Investment class	10	-	688,762.2584	38,423,290.7722	664,148.7251	-	-	16,117,456.8763	40,381,978.9450	-	235,209.1258	-
- I6 class	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
- R6 class	10	-	-	6,967,715.7948	-	69,146,238.5073	-	7,153,140.2229	-	-	-	-
- R2 class	10							1,409,886.3275				
Units issued												
- Pension class	10	49,813,623.0590	10,524,316.6390	50,130,862.5037	15,015,186.9130	66.293.150.2199	113,062,995.9138	122,262,344.4089	37,432,100.8689	22,782,984.0616	38,306,462.3793	29,657,004.5474
- Retail class	10	-	15,076.7733	1,459,923.7143	-	5,934,575.7385	7,094,212.9552	1,157,668.3994	43,010.1689	467,055.6164	-	
- Investment class	10	_	78,579,0981	4,294,271.6351	48,104.4520	-	-	2,170,608.6785	2,719,834.4816	-	1,687.5276	-
- I6 class	10	_	_	-	-	_	_	-	-	_	-	_
- R6 class	10	-	-	722,950.9378	-	2,796,503.7023	-	872,207.7044	-	-	-	-
- R2 class	10							85,953.4158				
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Units redeemed	10	(22, 622, 004, 5024)	(1 < 000 727 4402)	(40.011.672.5052)	(57, 607, 000, 0770)	(170,052,044,7677)	(146,202,272,4421)	(60, 454, 660, 0060)	(21.052.200.4016)	(10 110 207 0060)	(110 176 067 7606)	(20, 552, 751, 5015)
- Pension class - Retail class	10 10	(23,683,004.5834)	(16,889,737.4402)	(7,315,431.6569)		(42,052,085.1731)			(30,669.1044)			(1,598,732.6298)
- Investment class	10	-		(2,291,757.6515)	(462,278.9102)	(42,032,063.1731)	. , , , ,	(1,168,147.9785)	(3,832,746.2054)	(910,437.3391)	(236,896.6534)	(1,396,732.0296)
- Investment class - I6 class	10	-	(30,332.0467)	(2,291,737.0313)	(402,276.9102)	-	-	(1,100,147.9763)	(3,632,740.2034)	-	(230,690.0334)	-
- R6 class	10	-	-	(2,664,637.1351)	-	(31,042,256.7812)	-	(615,498,1632)	-	_	_	-
- R2 class	10	_	_	(2,004,037.1331)	_	(31,042,230.7612)	_	(176,844.0518)				_
K2 Olusis	10							(170,011.0310)				
At the end of the year												
- Pension class	10	75,238,458.8365	88,569,088.1549	188,275,010.3025	98,514,337.1904	148,945,285.0189	186,372,867.3008	336,969,353.8192	298,480,031.3180	85,106,125.7474	40,724,564.1167	93,676,402.7064
- Retail class	10	-	521,282.2226	27,047,362.7310	-	121,877,732.4828	18,645,413.4593	15,685,753.4049	142,702.4114	9,045,204.0930	-	19,111,922.4438
- Investment class	10	-	736,808.7078	40,425,804.7558	249,974.2669	-	-	17,119,917.5763	39,269,067.2212	-	-	-
- I6 class	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
- R6 class	10	-	-	5,026,029.5975	-	40,900,485.4284	-	7,409,849.7641	-	-	-	-
- R2 class	10							1,318,995.6915				

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNITHOLDERS (continued)

							2022					
		Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal
		Asian	Asian	China	European	Hong Kong	Hong Kong	Hong Kong	International	International	Pension	U.S.
		Bond	Equity	Equity	Equity	Bond	Dollar Savings	Equity	Bond	Equity	Bond	Equity
	Notes	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund
		HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$
							==					
Balance brought forward		510,513,068	6,666,898,636	5,089,922,753	4,392,832,099	6,805,034,022	3,614,672,811	13,046,618,681	6,027,711,214	4,409,868,082	2,612,515,638	6,276,250,630
Amounts received and receivable on issue of units		106,346,427	749,255,294	1,085,866,417	401,942,032	626,555,391	1,387,837,457	3,243,409,307	649,006,521	977,652,098	336,984,978	1,455,583,404
Amounts paid and payable on redemptions of units		(117,183,744)	(772,861,808)	(946,528,161)	(1,092,735,585)	(1,383,101,043)	(1,657,074,965)	(2,234,581,257)	(680,572,186)	(842,756,014)	(490,191,861)	(1,616,721,999)
Decrease in net assets attributable to unitholders	12	(54,030,760)	(1,202,636,551)	(1,358,990,192)	(924,539,835)	(571,873,692)	(12,160,741)	(2,689,752,617)	(900,597,058)	(930,541,735)	(235,935,064)	(1,125,074,089)
Net assets carried forward		445,644,991	5,440,655,571	3,870,270,817	2,777,498,711	5,476,614,678	3,333,274,562	11,365,694,114	5,095,548,491	3,614,222,431	2,223,373,691	4,990,037,946
Units in issue												
At the beginning of the year												
- Pension class	10	50,176,688.3192	95,467,298.0118	181,104,079.0640	176,287,709.5032	276,940,266.6519	232,820,560.7703	258,823,982.5487	282,530,398.4919	77,143,133.7070	129,873,844.1088	94,102,863.9479
- Retail class	10		545,068.6139	33,031,728.6913	-	194,032,912.6359	28,799,514.0898	21,358,355.4329	138,448.5654	9,906,603.8532	-	24,220,077.4956
- Investment class	10	-	692,848.5165	36,084,755.6170	980,868.1651	-	-	14,703,759.6048	42,345,512.2146	-	233,473.7094	<u>-</u>
- I6 class	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
- R6 class	10	-	-	6,084,578.7342	-	88,394,014.5399	-	5,496,254.4042	-	-	-	-
- R2 class	10							_1,039,530.1902				
Units issued												
- Pension class	10	11.337.830.2903	12,489,604.0169	54,931,228.1030	18.753.550.5954	34.589.969.5258	95,489,418.8896	81,315,209.9199	35,683,146,7350	21,712,066.9745	18.042.338.3255	28.322.364.1925
- Retail class	10		11,800,2011	3,185,205.2306	-	8,696,189.7753	4.680,307,9762	3,392,168,4192	-	599,359,7502	-	15,713,2187
- Investment class	10	-	7,026.5912	4,186,183.5302	6,659.6659	-	-	2,407,245.8429	2,972,418.8846	-	1,735.4164	-
- I6 class	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	· · · · · · · -	-
- R6 class	10	-	-	4,554,363.0673	-	11,079,778.4957	-	2,926,017.3214	-	-	-	-
- R2 class	10							920,709.5878				
Units redeemed												
- Pension class	10	(12.406,678,2486)	(13 022 303 0726)	(40 870 485 7820)	(53 035 087 4442)	(50.024.156.6110)((108 606 734 8208)	(55,977,514.9621)	(35 313 305 2062)	(19 /12 671 1999)	(26 322 012 0363)	(28 852 078 3000)
- Retail class	10	(12,400,070.2400)	. , , ,	(3,314,063.2483)	. , , ,	(44,733,860.4938)		. , , ,		(1,009,377.7677)	(20,322,012.7303)	(4,715,987.8367)
- Investment class	10	_	. , ,	(1,847,648.3750)	(323,379.1059)	-	(11,002,000,0070)	(993,548.5714)	. , ,	(1,00),5////0///	_	-
- I6 class	10		(11,112.0.55)	(1,017,010.5750)	(525,575,1055)	_	_	(>>5,5 (0.15,71.1)	(1,,55,,552.15.12)	-	_	_
- R6 class	10		_	(3,671,226.0067)	_	(30,327,554.5283)	_	(1,269,131.5027)	_	-	_	_
- R2 class	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	(550,353.4505)	-	-	-	-
At the end of the year	10	10 105 010 0 -00	0100150005	10515500130::	141 105 170 5711	261 506 050 5	210 502 211 622	20446468885055	202 000 220 022	00 440 500 4000	121 201 100 1000	00 550 140 540 5
- Pension class	10	49,107,840.3609	94,934,508.9561	186,155,821.3841	, ,	, ,	, ,	, ,	, ,		121,594,169.4980	, ,
- Retail class	10	-	549,598.5608	32,902,870.6736		157,995,241.9174	21,646,982.1085	- , ,	130,361.3469	9,496,585.8357		19,519,802.8776
- Investment class	10	-	688,762.2584	38,423,290.7722	664,148.7251	-	-	16,117,456.8763	40,381,978.9450	-	235,209.1258	-
- I6 class	10	-	-	- 067.715.7040	-		-	7 152 140 2220	-	-	-	-
- R6 class - R2 class	10 10	-	-	6,967,715.7948	-	69,146,238.5073	-	7,153,140.2229 1,409,886.3275	-	-	-	-
- NZ Class	10	<u>-</u>						1,407,000.3273	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>_</u>	

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

						2023					
	Principal Asian Bond Fund	Principal Asian Equity Fund	Principal China Equity Fund	Principal European Equity Fund	Principal Hong Kong Bond Fund	Principal Hong Kong Dollar Savings Fund	Principal Hong Kong Equity Fund	Principal International Bond Fund	Principal International Equity Fund	Principal Pension Bond Fund	Principal U.S. Equity Fund
	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$
Cash flows from operating activities											
Dividend received, net of withholding tax	_	127,486,171	83,429,851	67,296,693	_	_	314,239,729	541	48,932,035	_	63,736,342
Interest received, net of withholding tax	21,487,003	2,042,699	487	641,936	131,260,849	96,826,230	7,071	137,363,477	985,378	68,526,343	199,001
Other income received	713	7,021	295,563	4,435	1,500,113	33,025	319,831	111,720	61,852	189	667,795
Operating expenses paid	(186,109)	(25,894,075)	(27,673,630)	(4,254,528)	(15,575,612)	(1,850,848)	(60,350,417)	(6,267,606)	(11,148,552)	(333,535)	(8,998,640)
Capital gain tax paid	-	(33,937,104)			-	-	-		(268,350)	-	-
Exchange gain/(loss)	4,155	(9,533,783)	(1,898,509)	568,743	(1,125,625)	-	(4,414,035)	(3,180,150)	(1,391,997)	(2,453,286)	(475,518)
Net deposits with maturity over 3 months placed at banks						375,040,769					
Net cash flows from/(used in) operating activities	21,305,762	60,170,929	54,153,762	64,257,279	116,059,725	470,049,176	249,802,179	128,027,982	37,170,366	65,739,711	55,128,980
Cash flows from investing activities											
Purchase of investment securities Proceeds from sale of investment	(1,046,417,006)	(6,161,035,320)	(3,203,749,372)	(912,600,219)	(2,533,955,812)	(1,482,205,736)	(10,552,358,309)	(27,727,494,480)	(3,259,886,829)	(839,999,947)	(1,685,452,656)
securities	762,450,058	6,274,597,033	3,160,523,902	1,792,950,009	4,393,854,542	1,327,925,578	8,716,377,476	27,552,387,189	3,033,719,781	2,218,275,688	1,698,989,420
Net cash flows from/(used in)											
investing activities	(283,966,948)	113,561,713	(43,225,470)	880,349,790	1,859,898,730	(154,280,158)	(1,835,980,833)	(175,107,291)	(226,167,048)	1,378,275,741	13,536,764
Cash flows from financing activities											
Subscriptions received	468,595,230	645,640,286	864,190,367	324.288.240	915,908,980	1,706,554,701	4.438.180.064	658,903,369	1.088.346.690	719.077.369	1.617.594.079
Redemptions paid	(222,598,947)	(1,005,137,558)	(870,825,148)	(1,251,018,910)	(2,942,905,870)	(2,236,736,041)	(2,653,494,140)	(408,687,128)	(884,344,844)	, ,	(1,646,563,398)
Distribution paid	-	-	(1,008,201)	-	(15,617,934)	-	(1,418,260)	-	-	-	-
Net cash flows from/(used in)											
financing activities	245,996,283	(359,497,272)	(7,642,982)	(926,730,670)	(2,042,614,824)	(530,181,340)	_1,783,267,664	250,216,241	204,001,846	(1,520,731,903)	(28,969,319)

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS (continued)

						2023 (continued)	1				
	Principal Asian	Principal Asian	Principal China	Principal European	Principal Hong Kong	Principal Hong Kong	Principal Hong Kong	Principal International	Principal International	Principal Pension	Principal U.S.
	Bond Fund HK\$	Equity Fund HK\$	Equity Fund HK\$	Equity Fund HK\$	Bond Fund HK\$	Dollar Savings Fund HK\$	Equity Fund HK\$	Bond Fund HK\$	Equity Fund HK\$	Bond Fund HK\$	Equity Fund HK\$
Net (decrease)/increase in cash and											
cash equivalents	(16,664,903)	(185,764,630)	3,285,310	17,876,399	(66,656,369)	(214,412,322)	197,089,010	203,136,932	15,005,164	(76,716,451)	39,696,425
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	28,675,231	363,269,255	102,651,195	65,456,124	110,556,169	388,410,739	337,471,279	157,446,138	134,427,382	99,237,639	81,230,722
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	12,010,328	177,504,625	105,936,505	83,332,523	43,899,800	173,998,417	534,560,289	360,583,070	149,432,546	22,521,188	120,927,147
Analysis of balances of cash and											
cash equivalents: Cash at banks Less: Bank deposits with maturity	12,010,328	177,504,625	105,936,505	83,332,523	43,899,800	347,298,417	534,560,289	360,583,070	149,432,546	22,521,188	120,927,147
over 3 months		-				(173,300,000)		-	-		-
	12,010,328	177,504,625	105,936,505	83,332,523	43,899,800	173,998,417	534,560,289	360,583,070	149,432,546	22,521,188	120,927,147

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS (continued)

						2022					
	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal
	Asian	Asian	China	European	Hong Kong	Hong Kong	Hong Kong	International	International	Pension	U.S.
	Bond	Equity	Equity	Equity	Bond	Dollar Savings	Equity	Bond	Equity	Bond	Equity
	Fund HK\$	Fund HK\$	Fund HK\$	Fund HK\$	Fund HK\$	Fund HK\$	Fund HK\$	Fund HK\$	Fund HK\$	Fund HK\$	Fund HK\$
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Cash flows from operating activities											
Dividend received, net of withholding tax	-	120,706,643	97,248,186	85,279,393	-	-	302,246,666	-	53,978,279	-	62,129,382
Interest received, net of withholding tax	13,488,350	129,399	682	43,026	160,015,171	51,659,283	4,484	126,692,688	43,754	78,150,476	3,464
Other income received	1,379	45,906	-	93,090	4,609	-	-	75,366	106,997	-	19,825
Operating expenses paid	(104,621)	(32,944,149)	(32,630,388)	(8,148,812)	(20,662,436)	(2,242,649)	(64,612,211)	(6,443,187)	(11,193,225)	(443,962)	(8,502,501)
Exchange gain/(loss)	418,053	(11,346,100)	(2,142,295)	98,677,048	(724,913)	-	(1,705,072)	2,632,486	443,579	(133,701)	(229,736)
Net deposits with maturity over 3 months placed at banks						343,907,586					
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Net cash flows from/(used in)	12 002 161	76 501 600	60 476 105	175 042 745	120 622 421	202 224 220	225 022 067	122 057 252	12 270 201	77 572 012	52 420 424
operating activities	13,803,161	76,591,699	62,476,185	175,943,745	138,632,431	393,324,220	235,933,867	122,957,353	43,379,384	77,572,813	53,420,434
Cash flows from investing activities											
Purchase of investment securities	(550,250,148)	(8,646,158,994)	(4,387,683,766)	(1.717.625.704)	(2,070,587,357)	(1.892.118.883)	(12,208,296,694)	(1,696,918,124)	(2,391,006,831)	(658,982,183)	(481,641,017)
Proceeds from sale of investment	(330,230,140)	(0,040,130,774)	(4,507,005,700)	(1,717,023,704)	(2,070,307,337)	(1,072,110,003)	(12,200,270,074)	(1,070,710,124)	(2,371,000,031)	(030,702,103)	(401,041,017)
securities	550,498,579	8,741,246,523	4,116,010,933	2,197,011,819	2,591,613,391	1,899,077,690	11,004,903,494	1,552,361,825	2,191,915,637	734,742,043	601,072,332
Net cash flows from/(used in)											
investing activities	248,431	95,087,529	(271,672,833)	479,386,115	521,026,034	6,958,807	(1,203,393,200)	(144,556,299)	(199,091,194)	75,759,860	119,431,315
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Cash flows from financing activities											
Subscriptions received	105,770,132	743,672,163	1,077,720,216	402,055,011	633,300,269	1,376,559,128	3,233,408,373	645,511,976	971,345,744	331,745,057	1,447,947,589
Redemptions paid	(116,706,287)	(770,881,399)	(939,015,881)	(1,092,529,254)	(1,379,200,955)	(1,645,749,111)	(2,215,160,352)	(678, 261, 133)	(835,422,687)	(485,634,752)	(1,616,477,569)
Distribution paid			(1,532,135)	<u> </u>	(19,707,460)	<u> </u>	(1,574,686)		<u> </u>		
Net cash flows from/(used in)											
financing activities	(10,936,155)	(27,209,236)	137,172,200	(690,474,243)	(765,608,146)	(269,189,983)	1,016,673,335	(32,749,157)	135,923,057	(153,889,695)	(168,529,980)

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS (continued)

	2022 (continued)										
	Principal Asian Bond	Principal Asian Equity	Principal China Equity	Principal European Equity	Principal Hong Kong Bond	Principal Hong Kong Dollar Savings	Principal Hong Kong Equity	Principal International Bond	Principal International Equity	Principal Pension Bond	Principal U.S. Equity
	Fund HK\$	Fund HK\$	Fund HK\$	Fund HK\$	Fund HK\$	Fund HK\$	Fund HK\$	Fund HK\$	Fund HK\$	Fund HK\$	Fund HK\$
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	3,115,437	144,469,992	(72,024,448)	(35,144,383)	(105,949,681)	131,093,044	49,214,002	(54,348,103)	(19,788,753)	(557,022)	4,321,769
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	25,559,794	218,799,263	174,675,643	100,600,507	216,505,850	257,317,695	288,257,277	211,794,241	154,216,135	99,794,661	76,908,953
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	28,675,231	363,269,255	102,651,195	65,456,124	110,556,169	388,410,739	337,471,279	157,446,138	134,427,382	99,237,639	81,230,722
Analysis of balances of cash and cash equivalents: Cash at banks Less: Bank deposits with maturity	28,675,231	363,269,255	102,651,195	65,456,124	110,556,169	936,751,508	337,471,279	157,446,138	134,427,382	99,237,639	81,230,722
over 3 months						(548,340,769)	<u> </u>				
	28,675,231	363,269,255	102,651,195	65,456,124	110,556,169	388,410,739	337,471,279	157,446,138	134,427,382	99,237,639	81,230,722

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1. PRINCIPAL LIFE STYLE FUND

Principal Life Style Fund (the "Fund") is an umbrella unit trust established under the laws of Hong Kong pursuant to a Trust Deed dated 7 May 2003, as subsequently amended (the "Trust Deed") with Principal Trust Company (Asia) Limited as trustee (the "Trustee"). There are eleven Sub-funds (each a separate sub-fund of the Fund and referred to individually the "Sub-fund" or collectively as the "Sub-funds") established under the Fund during the year with the first dealing date as stated below:

		First dealing date							
	Retail class	Pension class	Investment class	I6 class	R6 class	R2 class			
Principal Asian Bond Fund	-	17 August 2020	-	-	-	-			
Principal Asian Equity Fund	3 July 2003	3 July 2003	20 January 2006	31 December 2015	-	-			
Principal China Equity Fund	29 June 2007	29 June 2007	11 June 2008	-	26 January 2015	-			
Principal European Equity Fund	-	4 August 2008	4 August 2008	31 December 2015	-	-			
Principal Hong Kong Bond Fund	14 October 2011	22 June 2011	-	-	26 January 2015	-			
Principal Hong Kong Dollar Savings Fund	3 July 2003	3 July 2003	-	-	-	-			
Principal Hong Kong Equity Fund	2 November 2005	2 November 2005	2 December 2005	27 May 2014	26 January 2015	10 February 2017			
Principal International Bond Fund	3 July 2003	3 July 2003	18 January 2006	-	-	-			
Principal International Equity Fund	3 July 2003	3 July 2003	-	31 December 2015	-	-			
Principal Pension Bond Fund	-	5 December 2008	25 May 2021	-	-	-			
Principal U.S. Equity Fund	3 July 2003	3 July 2003	18 January 2006	-	-	-			

The Sub-funds are authorised by the Securities and Futures Commission ("SFC") under section 104 of the Hong Kong Securities and Futures Ordinance. All Sub-funds are approved pooled investment funds ("APIFs") under section 6(1) of the Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes (General) Regulation (the "General Regulation"). They are governed by the Code on Unit Trusts and Mutual Funds (the "UT Code") issued by SFC, Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes Ordinance (the "Ordinance"), the General Regulation, the Code on MPF Investment Funds (the "MPF Code"), and other relevant guidelines (the "MPF Guidelines") issued by the Hong Kong Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes Authority (the "Authority").

The Sub-funds can offer six different classes of units, namely, Investment, I6, Pension, Retail, R6 and R2 Class Units. Investment Class Units are available for issue to any collective investment scheme, registered schemes or approved pooled investment fund under the Ordinance, occupational retirement schemes or other institutional investor, to which the Pension Class Units are not made available. I6 Class Units are available to registered schemes or approved pooled investment funds under the Ordinance or occupational retirement schemes for which the Manager has offered a special management fee structure. Pension Class Units are available to registered schemes or approved pooled investment funds under the Ordinance or occupational retirement schemes, which are managed by Principal Asset Management Company (Asia) Limited (the "Manager"). Retail, R6 and R2 Class Units are available to retail investors and any other investors to which the Pension Class Units, I6 Class Units and Investment Class Units are not made available.

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2.1 BASIS OF PREPARATION

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards ("HKFRSs") (which include all Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards, Hong Kong Accounting Standards ("HKASs") and Interpretations) issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants ("HKICPA"), accounting principles generally accepted in Hong Kong, the relevant provisions of the Trust Deed, the Ordinance, the General Regulation, the MPF Code, the MPF Guidelines, and the relevant disclosure requirements of the UT Code.

These financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, except for investments held at fair values through profit or loss ("FVPL"). These financial statements are presented in Hong Kong dollars.

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with HKFRSs requires the Trustee and the Manager of the Sub-funds to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of policies and reported amounts of assets, liabilities, income and expenses. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and various other factors that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances, the results of which form the basis of making the judgements about carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised if the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods if the revision affects both current and future periods.

2.2 CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES AND DISCLOSURES

The Sub-funds has adopted the following revised HKFRSs for the first time for the current year's financial statements.

Amendments to HKAS 1 and HKFRS Practice Statement 2

Disclosure of Accounting Policies

Amendments to HKAS 8

Definition of Accounting Estimates

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2.2 CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES AND DISCLOSURES (continued)

The nature and the impact of the revised HKFRSs are described below:

- (a) Amendments to HKAS 1 and HKFRS Practice Statement 2 Disclosure of Accounting Policies
 - Amendments to HKAS 1 require entities to disclose their material accounting policy information rather than their significant accounting policies. Accounting policy information is material if, when considered together with other information included in an entity's financial statements, it can reasonably be expected to influence decisions that the primary users of general purpose financial statements make on the basis of those financial statements. Amendments to HKFRS Practice Statement 2 Making Materiality Judgements provide non-mandatory guidance on how to apply the concept of materiality to accounting policy disclosures. The Sub-funds have disclosed the material accounting policy information in note 2.4 to the financial statements. The amendments did not have any impact on the measurement, recognition or presentation of any item in the Sub-funds' financial statements.
- (b) Amendments to HKAS 8 Definition of Accounting Estimates
 - Amendments to HKAS 8 clarify the distinction between changes in accounting estimates and changes in accounting policies. Accounting estimates are defined as monetary amounts in financial statements that are subject to measurement uncertainty. The amendments also clarify how entities use measurement techniques and inputs to develop accounting estimates. Since the Sub-funds' approach and policy align with the amendments, the amendments had no impact on the Sub-funds' financial statements.

2.3 ISSUED BUT NOT YET EFFECTIVE HONG KONG FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS

The Sub-funds have not applied the following new and revised HKFRSs that have been issued but are not yet effective, in these financial statements.

Amendments to HKFRS 10 Sale or Contribution of Assets between an Investor and its Associate or Joint Venture³ and HKAS 28 Amendments to HKFRS 16 Lease Liability in a Sale and Leaseback¹

Amendments to HKAS 1 Classification of Liabilities as Current or Non-current (the "2020 Amendments")1,4

Non-current Liabilities with Covenants (the "2022

Amendments to HKAS 1 Amendments")1

Supplier Finance Arrangements^{1, 4}

Amendments to HKAS 7 and HKFRS 7

Amendments to HKAS 21 Lack of Exchangeability²

- ¹ Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2024
- ² Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2025
- No mandatory effective date yet determined but available for adoption
- As a consequence of the 2020 Amendments and 2022 Amendments, Hong Kong Interpretation 5 Presentation of Financial Statements - Classification by the Borrower of a Term Loan that

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2.3 ISSUED BUT NOT YET EFFECTIVE HONG KONG FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS (continued)

Contains a Repayment on Demand Clause was revised to align the corresponding wording with no change in conclusion

Further information about those HKFRSs that are expected to be applicable to the Sub-funds are described below.

The 2020 Amendments clarify the requirements for classifying liabilities as current or non-current, including what is meant by a right to defer settlement and that a right to defer must exist at the end of the reporting period. Classification of a liability is unaffected by the likelihood that the entity will exercise its right to defer settlement. The amendments also clarify that a liability can be settled in its own equity instruments, and that only if a conversion option in a convertible liability is itself accounted for as an equity instrument would the terms of a liability not impact its classification. The 2022 Amendments further clarify that, among covenants of a liability arising from a loan arrangement, only those with which an entity must comply on or before the reporting date affect the classification of that liability as current or non-current. Additional disclosures are required for noncurrent liabilities that are subject to the entity complying with future covenants within 12 months after the reporting period. The amendments shall be applied retrospectively with early application permitted. An entity that applies the 2020 Amendments early is required to apply simultaneously the 2022 Amendments, and vice versa. The Sub-funds are currently assessing the impact of the amendments and whether existing loan agreements may require revision. Based on a preliminary assessment, the amendments are not expected to have any significant impact on the Sub-funds' financial statements.

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2.4 MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Fair value measurement

The Sub-funds measure their debt and equity investments at fair value at the end of each reporting period. Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. The fair value measurement is based on the presumption that the transaction to sell the asset or transfer the liability takes place either in the principal market for the asset or liability, or in the absence of a principal market, in the most advantageous market for the asset or liability. The principal or the most advantageous market must be accessible by the Sub-funds. The fair value of an asset or a liability is measured using the assumptions that market participants would use when pricing the asset or liability, assuming that market participants act in their economic best interest.

The Sub-funds use valuation techniques that are appropriate in the circumstances and for which sufficient data are available to measure fair value, maximising the use of relevant observable inputs and minimising the use of unobservable inputs.

All assets and liabilities for which fair value is measured or disclosed in the financial statements are categorised within the fair value hierarchy, described as follows, based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement as a whole:

- Level 1 based on quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities
- Level 2 based on valuation techniques for which the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement is observable, either directly or indirectly
- Level 3 based on valuation techniques for which the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement is unobservable

For assets and liabilities that are recognised in the financial statements on a recurring basis, the Subfunds determine whether transfers have occurred between levels in the hierarchy by reassessing categorisation (based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement as a whole) at the end of each reporting period.

Investments and other financial assets

Initial recognition and measurement

Financial assets are classified, at initial recognition, as subsequently measured at amortised cost, fair value through other comprehensive income, and fair value through profit or loss.

The classification of financial assets at initial recognition depends on the financial asset's contractual cash flow characteristics and the Sub-funds' business model for managing them. With the exception of trade receivables that do not contain a significant financing component or for which the Sub-funds have applied the practical expedient of not adjusting the effect of a significant financing component, the Sub-funds initially measure a financial asset at its fair value, plus in the case of a financial asset not at fair value through profit or loss, transaction costs.

In order for a financial asset to be classified and measured at amortised cost or fair value through other comprehensive income, it needs to give rise to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest ("SPPI") on the principal amount outstanding. Financial assets with cashflows that are not SPPI are classified and measured at fair value through profit or loss, irrespective of the business model.

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2.4 MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

<u>Investments and other financial assets (continued)</u>

Initial recognition and measurement (continued)

The Sub-funds' business model for managing financial assets refers to how it manages its financial assets in order to generate cash flows. The business model determines whether cash flows will result from collecting contractual cash flows, selling the financial assets, or both. Financial assets classified and measured at amortised cost are held within a business model with the objective to hold financial assets in order to collect contractual cash flows, while financial assets classified and measured at fair value through other comprehensive income are held within a business model with the objective of both holding to collect contractual cash flows and selling. Financial assets which are not held within the aforementioned business models are classified and measured at fair value through profit or loss.

Purchases or sales of financial assets that require delivery of assets within the period generally established by regulation or convention in the marketplace are recognised on the trade date, that is, the date that the Sub funds commit to purchase or sell the asset.

Subsequent measurement

The subsequent measurement of financial assets depends on their classification as follows:

Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss

Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss include financial assets held for trading, financial assets designated upon initial recognition at fair value through profit or loss, or financial assets mandatorily required to be measured at fair value. Financial assets are classified as held for trading if (a) they are acquired for the purpose of selling or repurchasing in the near term, (b) on initial recognition, it is part of a portfolio of identified financial instruments that are managed together for which, there is evidence of a recent actual pattern of short-term profit-taking, or (c) it is a derivative (except for a derivative that is a financial guarantee contract or a designed and effective hedging instruments). Financial assets with cash flows that are not solely payments of principal and interest are classified and measured at fair value through profit or loss, irrespective of the business model. Notwithstanding the criteria for debt instruments to be classified at amortised cost or at fair value through other comprehensive income, debt instruments may be designated at fair value through profit or loss on initial recognition if doing so eliminates, or significantly reduces, an accounting mismatch.

Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss are carried in the statement of financial position at fair value with net changes in fair value recognised in the statement of profit or loss.

This category includes derivative financial instruments and investments which the Sub-funds had not irrevocably elected to classify at fair value through other comprehensive income. Dividends on the equity investments are also recognised as other income in the statement of profit or loss when the right of payment has been established.

Financial assets at amortised cost (debt instruments)

The Sub-funds measures financial assets at amortised cost if both of the following conditions are met:

- The financial asset is held within a business model with the objective to hold financial assets in order to collect contractual cash flows.
- The contractual terms of the financial asset give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are SPPI on the principal amount outstanding.

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2.4 MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Investments and other financial assets (continued)

Financial assets at amortised cost (debt instruments) (continued)

Financial assets at amortised cost are subsequently measured using the effective interest method and are subject to impairment. Gains and losses are recognised in profit or loss when the asset is derecognised, modified or impaired.

Impairment of financial assets

The Sub-funds recognise an allowance for expected credit losses ("ECLs") for all debt instruments not held at fair value through profit or loss. ECLs are based on the difference between the contractual cash flows due in accordance with the contract and all the cash flows that the Sub-funds expect to receive, discounted at an approximation of the original effective interest rate. The expected cash flows will include cash flows from the sale of collateral held or other credit enhancements that are integral to the contractual terms.

General approach

ECLs are recognised in two stages. For credit exposures for which there has not been a significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition, ECLs are provided for credit losses that result from default events that are possible within the next 12 months (a 12-month ECL). For those credit exposures for which there has been a significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition, a loss allowance is required for credit losses expected over the remaining life of the exposure, irrespective of the timing of the default (a lifetime ECL).

At each reporting date, the Sub-funds assess whether the credit risk on a financial instrument has increased significantly since initial recognition. When making the assessment, the Sub-funds compare the risk of a default occurring on the financial instrument as at the reporting date with the risk of a default occurring on the financial instrument as at the date of initial recognition and considers reasonable and supportable information that is available without undue cost or effort, including historical and forward-looking information.

The Sub-funds consider a financial asset in default when contractual payments are 90 days past due. However, in certain cases, the Sub-funds may also consider a financial asset to be in default when internal or external information indicates that the Sub-funds are unlikely to receive the outstanding contractual amounts in full before taking into account any credit enhancements held by the Sub-funds. A financial asset is written off when there is no reasonable expectation of recovering the contractual cash flows.

Financial assets at amortised cost are subject to impairment under the general approach and they are classified within the following stages for measurement of ECLs except for investment contract receivables which apply the simplified approach as detailed below.

- Stage 1 Financial instruments for which credit risk has not increased significantly since initial recognition and for which the loss allowance is measured at an amount equal to 12-month ECLs
- Stage 2 Financial instruments for which credit risk has increased significantly since initial recognition but that are not credit-impaired financial assets and for which the loss allowance is measured at an amount equal to lifetime ECLs

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2.4 MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Impairment of financial assets (continued)

General approach (continued)

Stage 3 – Financial assets that are credit-impaired at the reporting date (but that are not purchased or originated credit-impaired) and for which the loss allowance is measured at an amount equal to lifetime ECLs

Simplified approach

The Sub-funds hold the trade receivables with no significant financing component and which have maturities of less than 12 months at amortised cost and, as such, has chosen to apply the simplified approach for expected credit losses (ECL) under HKFRS 9 to all its trade receivables. Therefore the Sub-funds do not track changes in credit risk, but instead recognizes a loss allowance based on lifetime ECLs at each reporting date.

The Sub-funds' approach to ECLs reflects a probability-weighted outcome, the time value of money and reasonable and supportable information that is available without undue cost or effort at the reporting date about the past events, current conditions and forecasts of future economic conditions.

The Sub-funds use provision matrix as a practical expendient to measuring ECLs on trade receivables, based on days past due for groupings of receivables with similar loss patterns. Receivables are grouped based on their nature. The provision matrix is based on historical observed loss rates over the expected life of the receivables and is adjusted for forward-looking estimates.

Derecognition of financial assets

A financial asset (or, where applicable, a part of a financial asset or part of a group of similar financial assets) is primarily derecognised (i.e., removed from the Sub-funds' statement of net assets available for benefits) when:

- the rights to receive cash flows from the asset have expired; or
- the Sub-fund has transferred its rights to receive cash flows from the asset or has assumed an obligation to pay the received cash flows in full without material delay to a third party under a "pass-through" arrangement; and either (a) the Sub-fund has transferred substantially all the risks and rewards of the asset, or (b) the Sub-fund has neither transferred nor retained substantially all the risks and rewards of the asset, but has transferred control of the asset.

When the Sub-fund has transferred its rights to receive cash flows from an asset or has entered into a pass-through arrangement, it evaluates if and to what extent it has retained the risk and rewards of ownership of the asset. When it has neither transferred nor retained substantially all the risks and rewards of the asset nor transferred control of the asset, the Sub-fund continues to recognise the transferred asset to the extent of the Sub-fund's continuing involvement in the asset. In that case, the Sub-fund also recognises an associated liability. The transferred asset and the associated liability are measured on a basis that reflects the rights and obligations that the Sub-fund has retained.

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2.4 MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Financial liabilities

Initial recognition and measurement

Financial liabilities are classified, at initial recognition, as financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss, loans and borrowings, or as derivatives designated as hedging instruments in an effective hedge, as appropriate.

All financial liabilities are recognised initially at fair value and, in the case of loans and borrowings, net of directly attributable transaction costs.

The Sub-funds' financial liabilities include derivative financial instruments, amounts payable to brokers, amounts payable on redemptions, and accrual and other payables.

Subsequent measurement

Financial liabilities at amortised cost (Loans and borrowings)

After initial recognition, interest-bearing loans and borrowings are subsequently measured at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method unless the effect of discounting would be immaterial, in which case they are stated at cost. Gains and losses are recognised in profit or loss when the liabilities are derecognised as well as through the effective interest rate amortisation process.

Amortised cost is calculated by taking into account any discount or premium on acquisition and fees or costs that are an integral part of the effective interest rate. The effective interest rate amortisation is included in finance costs in profit or loss.

Derecognition of financial liabilities

A financial liability is derecognised when the obligation under the liability is discharged or cancelled, or expires.

When an existing financial liability is replaced by another from the same lender on substantially different terms, or the terms of an existing liability are substantially modified, such an exchange or modification is treated as a derecognition of the original liability and a recognition of a new liability, and the difference between the respective carrying amounts is recognised in profit or loss.

Derivative financial instruments

The Sub-funds use derivative financial instruments, such as forward currency contracts, to hedge its foreign currency risk. Such derivative financial instruments are initially recognised at fair value on the date on which a derivative contract is entered into and are subsequently re-measured at fair value. Derivatives are carried as assets when the fair value is positive and as liabilities when the fair value is negative.

Any gains or losses arising from changes in fair value of derivatives are taken directly to profit or loss.

Offsetting of financial instruments

Financial assets and financial liabilities are offset and the net amount is reported in the statement of financial position if there is a currently enforceable legal right to offset the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis, or to realise the assets and settle the liabilities simultaneously.

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2.4 MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents in the statement of financial position comprise cash on hand and at banks, and short-term highly liquid deposits with a maturity of generally within three months that are readily convertible into known amounts of cash, subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value and held for the purpose of meeting short-term cash commitments.

For the purpose of the statement of cash flows, cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and at banks, and short-term deposits as defined above, less bank overdrafts which are repayable on demand and form an integral part of the Sub funds' cash management.

Revenue recognition

Revenue is recognised when it is probable that the economic benefits will flow to the Sub-funds and when the revenue can be measured reliably, on the following bases:

- (a) Interest income is recognised on an accrual basis using the effective interest rate method by applying the rate that discounts the estimated future cash receipts over the expected life of the financial instrument to the net carrying amount of the financial asset. Interest income on bank deposits is disclosed separately on the face of the statement of comprehensive income. Interest income on debt securities is included in gains on investments.
- (b) Dividend income is recognised when the Sub-funds' right to receive payment has been established. Dividend income relating to exchange-traded equity investments is recognised in profit or loss on the ex-dividend date.
 - In some cases, the Sub-funds may receive or choose to receive dividends in the form of additional shares rather than cash. In such cases the Sub-funds recognise the dividend income for the amount of the cash dividend alternative with the corresponding debit treated as an additional investment. Income distributions from private equity investments and other investment funds are recognised in profit or loss as dividend income when declared.
- (c) Realised and unrealised gains and losses on investments at fair value through profit or loss are dealt with in profit or loss in the year in which they arise.

Expenses

All expenses, including investment management and custodian fees, are recognised in profit or loss on an accrual basis.

Foreign currencies

Transactions in foreign currencies are translated into the functional currency of the Sub-funds using the exchange rates prevailing at the dates of the transactions. Exchange differences arising from the settlement of such transactions and from the retranslation at the year-end exchange rates of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are recognised in the profit or loss.

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2.4 MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Related parties

A party is considered to be related to the Sub-funds if:

- (a) the party is a person or a close member of that person's family and that person:
 - (i) has control or joint control over the Sub-funds;
 - (ii) has significant influence over the Sub-funds;
 - (iii) is a member of the key management personnel of the Sub-funds or of a parent of the Sub-funds:

or

- (b) the party is an entity where any of the following conditions applies:
 - (i) the entity and the Sub-funds are members of the same group;
 - (ii) one entity is an associate or joint venture of the other entity (or of a parent, subsidiary or fellow subsidiary of the other entity);
 - (iii) the entity and the Sub-funds are joint ventures of the same third party;
 - (iv) one entity is a joint venture of a third entity and the other entity is an associate of the third entity;
 - (v) the entity is a post-employment benefit plan for the benefit of employees of either the Sub-funds or an entity related to the Sub-funds;
 - (vi) the entity is controlled or jointly controlled by a person identified in (a);
 - (vii) a person identified in (a)(i) has significant influence over the entity or is a member of the key management personnel of the entity (or of a parent of the entity); and
 - (viii) the entity, or any member of a Sub-funds of which it is a part, provides key management personnel services to the Sub-funds or to the parent of the Sub-funds.

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2.4 MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Taxation

Taxation comprises current tax. Taxation relating to items recognised outside profit or loss is recognised outside profit or loss; therefore, taxation relating to items recognised outside profit or loss is recognised either in other comprehensive income or directly in equity.

Current tax assets and liabilities for the current and prior periods are measured at the amount expected to be recovered from or paid to the taxation authorities, based on tax rates (and tax laws) that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the end of the reporting period, taking into consideration interpretations and practices prevailing in the countries in which the Sub-funds hold the investments.

Units in issue

The Sub-funds classify financial instruments issued as financial liabilities or equity instruments in accordance with the substance of the contractual terms of the instruments.

A puttable financial instrument that includes a contractual obligation for the Sub-funds to repurchase or redeem that instrument for cash or another financial asset is classified as an equity instrument if it meets all of the following conditions:

- it entitles the holder to a pro rata share of the Sub-funds' net assets in the event of its liquidation;
- it is in the class of instruments that is subordinate to all other classes of instruments;
- all financial instruments in the class of instruments that is subordinate to all other classes of instruments have identical features;
- apart from the contractual obligation for the Sub-funds to repurchase or redeem the instrument for
 cash or another financial asset, the instrument does not include any other features that would
 require classification as a liability; and
- the total expected cash flows attributable to the instrument over its life are based substantially on the profit or loss, the change in the recognised net assets or the change in the fair value of the recognised and unrecognised net assets of the Sub-funds over the life of the instrument.

The redeemable units do not provide the unitholders with the right to require redemption for cash at a value proportionate to the unitholders' share in the Sub-funds' net assets at each daily redemption date and also in the event of the Sub-funds' liquidation. Therefore, they do not meet the criteria for equity classification and therefore are classified as financial liabilities. They are measured at the present value of the redemption amounts.

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3. GAINS AND LOSSES ON INVESTMENTS

	2023										
	Principal Asian Bond Fund	Principal Asian Equity Fund	Principal China Equity Fund	Principal European Equity Fund	Principal Hong Kong Bond Fund	Principal Hong Kong Dollar Savings Fund	Principal Hong Kong Equity Fund	Principal International Bond Fund	Principal International Equity Fund	Principal Pension Bond Fund	Principal U.S. Equity Fund
	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$
Realised gains Unrealised gains	30,926,387 38,812,683	568,886,342 722,107,354	133,607,382 355,495,386	229,631,457 509,130,081	157,388,879 363,208,274	91,732,905 57,849,692	398,743,468 870,100,842	710,181,356 872,809,889	340,182,526 1,002,704,913	85,190,597 _198,064,992	173,050,443 1,484,914,453
Total gains on investments	69,739,070	1,290,993,696	489,102,768	738,761,538	520,597,153	149,582,597	1,268,844,310	1,582,991,245	1,342,887,439	283,255,589	1,657,964,896
Realised losses Unrealised losses	(26,329,025) (2,295,433)	(620,250,608) (405,074,575)	(693,131,177) (432,246,355)	(208,324,673) (153,613,894)	(197,330,844) (582,982)		(1,646,044,357) (1,386,197,411)	(1,184,105,762) (21,506,518)	(279,912,607) (162,523,791)	(182,932,370) (1,729,641)	(232,878,515) (185,590,484)
Total losses on investments	(28,624,458)	(1,025,325,183)	(1,125,377,532)	(361,938,567)	(197,913,826)	(8,175,780)	(3,032,241,768)	(1,205,612,280)	(442,436,398)	(184,662,011)	(418,468,999)
						2022					
	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	2022 Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal
	Asian	Asian	China	European	Hong Kong	Principal Hong Kong	Hong Kong	International	International	Pension	U.S.
						Principal					
	Asian Bond	Asian Equity	China Equity	European Equity	Hong Kong Bond	Principal Hong Kong Dollar Savings	Hong Kong Equity	International Bond	International Equity	Pension Bond	U.S. Equity
Realised gains	Asian Bond Fund	Asian Equity Fund	China Equity Fund	European Equity Fund	Hong Kong Bond Fund	Principal Hong Kong Dollar Savings Fund	Hong Kong Equity Fund	International Bond Fund	International Equity Fund	Pension Bond Fund	U.S. Equity Fund
Realised gains Unrealised gains	Asian Bond Fund HK\$	Asian Equity Fund HK\$	China Equity Fund HK\$	European Equity Fund HK\$	Hong Kong Bond Fund HK\$	Principal Hong Kong Dollar Savings Fund HK\$	Hong Kong Equity Fund HK\$	International Bond Fund HK\$	International Equity Fund HK\$	Pension Bond Fund HK\$	U.S. Equity Fund HK\$
\mathcal{E}	Asian Bond Fund HK\$	Asian Equity Fund HK\$	China Equity Fund HK\$	European Equity Fund HK\$	Hong Kong Bond Fund HK\$	Principal Hong Kong Dollar Savings Fund HK\$	Hong Kong Equity Fund HK\$	International Bond Fund HK\$	International Equity Fund HK\$	Pension Bond Fund HK\$ 82,049,468	U.S. Equity Fund HK\$
Unrealised gains _	Asian Bond Fund HK\$ 16,084,153 4,256,574 20,340,727 (35,783,623)	Asian Equity Fund HK\$ 416,451,349 406,661,297	China Equity Fund HK\$ 120,325,167 503,822,671 624,147,838 (1,213,920,256)	European Equity Fund HK\$ 128,052,674 117,399,171 245,451,845	Hong Kong Bond Fund HK\$ 164,252,515 6,940,657	Principal Hong Kong Dollar Savings Fund HK\$ 52,497,957 14,434,729 66,932,686 (30,339,776)	Hong Kong Equity Fund HK\$ 327,758,594 1,635,993,294	International Bond Fund HK\$ 134,924,929 23,264,131	International Equity Fund HK\$ 154,421,937 154,768,687	Pension Bond Fund HK\$ 82,049,468 2,950,531 84,999,999 (51,620,005)	U.S. Equity Fund HK\$ 42,650,294 182,896,983

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4. INVESTMENTS MEASURED AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH PROFIT OR LOSS

	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal
	Asian Bond	Asian Equity	China Equity	European Equity	Hong Kong Bond	Hong Kong Dollar Savings	Hong Kong Equity	International Bond	International Equity	Pension Bond	U.S. Equity
	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund
	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$
(a) Investment Fund	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
(b) Equities	_	5,226,339,480	3,182,945,287	2,226,575,125			11,202,033,315		4,604,432,300		6,126,351,142
(c) Debt securities											
Listed/quoted debt											
instruments	713,024,804	-	-	-	3,059,489,401	2,430,770,354	-	5,213,906,196	-	770,028,212	-
Certificates of deposit	-				561,593,756	142,071,856					
	713,024,804				3,621,083,157	2,572,842,210		5,213,906,196		770,028,212	
	713,024,804	5,226,339,480	3,182,945,287	2,226,575,125	3,621,083,157	2,572,842,210	11,202,033,315	5,213,906,196	4,604,432,300	770,028,212	6,126,351,142
						2022					
	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal
	Asian	Asian	China	European	Hong Kong	Hong Kong	Hong Kong	International	International	Pension	U.S.
	Bond Fund	Equity Fund	Equity Fund	Equity Fund	Bond Fund	Dollar Savings Fund	Equity Fund	Bond Fund	Equity Fund	Bond Fund	Equity Fund
	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$
(a) Investment Fund	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	41,019,704
(b) Equities		5,081,103,574	3,767,550,925	2,714,351,405			11,034,449,100		3,477,959,886		4,859,372,305
(c) Debt securities											
Listed/quoted debt											
instruments	411,958,119	-	-	-	4,813,467,316	2,239,672,593	-	4,929,401,190	-	2,106,377,263	-
Certificates of deposit	-				515,323,776	121,690,663			-		
	411,958,119				5,328,791,092	2,361,363,256		4,929,401,190		2,106,377,263	
	411,958,119	5,081,103,574	3,767,550,925	2.714.351.405	5,328,791,092	2,361,363,256	11,034,449,100	4,929,401,190	3,477,959,886	2,106,377,263	4,900,392,009
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5. FORMATION COSTS

The cost of establishing the Trust and the Sub-funds including the preparation of the prospectus, inception fees, the costs of seeking and obtaining the listing and authorization by the SFC and all initial legal and printing costs including, if considered appropriate by the Manager, any additional costs of determining the stock code, will be borne by the Sub-funds and amortised over the first five financial years of the respective Sub-funds or such other period as determined by the Manager. However, with respect to the preparation of the Sub-funds' financial statements in compliance with HKFRS, establishment costs are recognized as an expense in the period in which they are incurred.

Formation cost for establishing the Sub-funds will be fully amortised over five financial years and as of 31 December 2023, the remaining amortization period and amount of Principal Asian Bond Fund, which was launched on 17 August 2020, are two years and HK\$34,179 respectively.

6. INVESTMENT TRANSACTION COSTS

The costs represent commission fee and handling fee to broker, transaction fees and charges paid to bank.

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7. INTEREST AND DIVIDEND RECEIVABLES

						2023					
	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal
	Asian	Asian	China	European	Hong Kong	Hong Kong	Hong Kong	International	International	Pension	U.S.
	Bond	Equity	Equity	Equity	Bond	Dollar Savings	Equity	Bond	Equity	Bond	Equity
	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund
	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$
Interest receivables	8,222,227	-	-	-	43,750,610	54,586,732	-	44,172,374	-	6,602,870	-
Dividend receivables		3,489,246	3,161,676	1,089,665			10,713,212		2,906,460	<u>-</u>	3,790,892
	8,222,227	3,489,246	3,161,676	1,089,665	43,750,610	54,586,732	10,713,212	44,172,374	2,906,460	6,602,870	3,790,892
						2022					
	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal
	Asian	Asian	China	European	Hong Kong	Hong Kong	Hong Kong	International	International	Pension	U.S.
	Bond	Equity	Equity	Equity	Bond	Dollar Savings	Equity	Bond	Equity	Bond	Equity
	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund
	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$
Interest receivables	3,764,485	-	-	-	45,424,288	36,021,796	-	36,317,733	-	17,648,636	-
Dividend receivables		1,609,929	<u> </u>	563,200		<u>-</u>			2,170,897		3,056,023
	3,764,485	1,609,929	_	563,200	45,424,288	36,021,796	_	36,317,733	2,170,897	17,648,636	3,056,023
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8. CASH AT BANKS

						2023					
	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal
	Asian	Asian	China	European	Hong Kong	Hong Kong	Hong Kong	International	International	Pension	U.S.
	Bond	Equity	Equity	Equity	Bond	Dollar Savings	Equity	Bond	Equity	Bond	Equity
	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund
	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$
Deposits with banks	-	-	-	-	-	327,033,480	-	-	-	-	-
Cash at banks	12,010,328	177,504,625	105,936,505	83,332,523	43,899,800	20,264,937	534,560,289	360,583,070	149,432,546	22,521,188	120,927,147
	12,010,328	177,504,625	105,936,505	83,332,523	43,899,800	347,298,417	534,560,289	360,583,070	149,432,546	22,521,188	120,927,147
						2022					
	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal
	Asian	Asian	China	European	Hong Kong	Hong Kong	Hong Kong	International	International	Pension	U.S.
	Bond	Equity	Equity	Equity	Bond	Dollar Savings	Equity	Bond	Equity	Bond	Equity
	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund
	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$
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Deposits with banks	-	-	-	-	-	893,362,511	-	-	-	-	-
Cash at banks	28,675,231	363,269,255	102,651,195	65,456,124	110,556,169	43,388,997	337,471,279	157,446,138	_134,427,382	99,237,639	81,230,722
	28,675,231	363,269,255	102,651,195	65,456,124	110,556,169	936,751,508	337,471,279	157,446,138	134,427,382	99,237,639	81,230,722

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9. TAXATION

Taxation in the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income represents:

						2023					
	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal
	Asian	Asian	China	European	Hong Kong	Hong Kong	Hong Kong	International	International	Pension	U.S.
	Bond Fund	Equity Fund	Equity Fund	Equity Fund	Bond Fund	Dollar Savings Fund	Equity Fund	Bond Fund	Equity Fund	Bond Fund	Equity Fund
	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$
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Overseas capital gain tax	-	33,937,104	-	-	-	-	-	-	268,350	-	-
Overseas withholding tax		7,447,805	6,962,367	12,645,809			16,671,618	112,788	11,727,872		25,785,599
		41,384,909	6,962,367	12,645,809			16,671,618	112,788	11,996,222		25,785,599
						2022					
	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal
	Asian	Asian	China	European	Hong Kong	Hong Kong	Hong Kong	International	International	Pension	Ú.S.
	Bond	Equity	Equity	Equity	Bond	Dollar Savings	Equity	Bond	Equity	Bond	Equity
	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund
	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$
Overseas capital gain tax	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Overseas withholding tax		25,335,194	7,367,118	13,602,567			17,428,433	249,269	12,140,401		24,721,013
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		25 225 104	7.267.110	12 602 567			17 420 422	240.260	12 1 40 401		24 721 012
		25,335,194	7,367,118	13,602,567			17,428,433	249,269	12,140,401		24,721,013

No provision for Hong Kong profits tax has been made as interest, distribution income and realised gains on disposals of investments of the Sub-funds are excluded from the charge to profits tax under either sections 14, 26 or 26A of the Hong Kong Inland Revenue Ordinance. A reconciliation of the tax expense/credit applicable to income/loss for the year using the statutory rate to tax expense/credit at the effective tax rate has not been presented as the income/loss of the Sub-funds is excluded from the charge to profits tax.

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10. UNITS IN ISSUE

	2023										
	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal
	Asian	Asian	China	European	Hong Kong	Hong Kong	Hong Kong	International	International	Pension	U.S.
	Bond Fund	Equity Fund	Equity Fund	Equity Fund	Bond Fund	Dollar Savings	Equity Fund	Bond Fund	Equity Fund	Bond	Equity Fund
	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund
Pension Class											
Balance brought forward	49,107,840.3609	94,934,508.9561	186,155,821.3841	141,106,172.6544	261,506,079.5667	219,703,244.8301	284,161,677.5065	282,900,239.9307	80,442,529.4927	121,594,169.4980	93,573,149.7405
Issued during the year	49,813,623.0590	10,524,316.6390	50,130,862.5037	15,015,186.9130	66,293,150.2199	113,062,995.9138	122,262,344.4089	37,432,100.8689	22,782,984.0616	38,306,462.3793	29,657,004.5474
Redeemed during the year	(23,683,004.5834)	(16,889,737.4402)	(48,011,673.5853)	(57,607,022.3770)	(178,853,944.7677)	(146,393,373.4431)	(69,454,668.0962)	(21,852,309.4816)	(18,119,387.8069)	(119,176,067.7606)	(29,553,751.5815)
Balance as at 31 December 2023	75,238,458.8365	88,569,088.1549	188,275,010.3025	98,514,337.1904	148,945,285.0189	186,372,867.3008	336,969,353.8192	298,480,031.3180	85,106,125.7474	40,724,564.1167	93,676,402.7064
Retail Class								100 041 0440			10 510 000 055
Balance brought forward Issued during the year	-	549,598.5608 15.076.7733	32,902,870.6736 1.459,923,7143	-	157,995,241.9174 5.934.575.7385	21,646,982.1085 7.094.212.9552	20,325,219.5861 1,157,668,3994	130,361.3469 43.010.1689	9,496,585.8357 467.055.6164	-	19,519,802.8776 1,190.852,1960
Redeemed during the year	-	(43,393,1115)	(7,315,431.6569)	-	(42,052,085.1731)	(10,095,781.6044)	(5,797,134.5806)	(30,669.1044)	(918,437.3591)	-	(1,598,732.6298)
Redeemed during the year		(43,393.1113)	(7,313,431.0309)		(42,032,063.1731)	(10,093,781.0044)	(3,797,134.3600)	(30,009.1044)	(910,437.3391)		(1,390,732.0290)
Balance as at 31 December 2023		521 282 2226	27 047 262 7210		101 977 720 4909	10 645 412 4502	15 (05 752 4040	142 702 4114	0.045.204.0020		10 111 022 4420
Balance as at 31 December 2023		521,282.2226	27,047,362.7310		121,877,732.4828	18,645,413.4593	15,685,753.4049	142,702.4114	9,045,204.0930		19,111,922.4438
Investment Class											
Balance brought forward	-	688,762.2584	38,423,290.7722	664,148.7251	-	-	16,117,456.8763	40,381,978.9450	-	235,209.1258	-
Issued during the year	-	78,579.0981	4,294,271.6351	48,104.4520	-	-	2,170,608.6785	2,719,834.4816	-	1,687.5276	-
Redeemed during the year		(30,532.6487)	(2,291,757.6515)	(462,278.9102)			_(1,168,147.9785)	(3,832,746.2054)		(236,896.6534)	
Balance as at 31 December 2023		736,808.7078	40,425,804.7558	249,974.2669			17,119,917.5763	39,269,067.2212			
I6 Class											
Balance brought forward	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Issued during the year	_	_	_	_	_	-	_	_	_	_	_
Redeemed during the year	-	-	-	-	-	-	_	-	-	-	-
Balance as at 31 December 2023	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_

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10. UNITS IN ISSUE (continued)

						2023 (continued)					
	Principal Asian Bond Fund	Principal Asian Equity Fund	Principal China Equity Fund	Principal European Equity Fund	Principal Hong Kong Bond Fund	Principal Hong Kong Dollar Savings Fund	Principal Hong Kong Equity Fund	Principal International Bond Fund	Principal International Equity Fund	Principal Pension Bond Fund	Principal U.S. Equity Fund
R6 Class Balance brought forward Issued during the year Redeemed during the year	- 	- - -	6,967,715.7948 722,950.9378 (2,664,637.1351)	- - -	69,146,238.5073 2,796,503.7023 (31,042,256.7812)	- - -	7,153,140.2229 872,207.7044 (615,498.1632)	- - 		- - -	- - -
Balance as at 31 December 2023	=	<u>=</u>	5,026,029.5975		40,900,485.4284		7,409,849.7641	<u> </u>	<u> </u>		
R2 Class Balance brought forward Issued during the year Redeemed during the year		- - -					1,409,886.3275 85,953.4158 (176,844.0518)		<u>:</u> -		- - -
Balance as at 31 December 2023		<u>-</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>		1,318,995.6915	-	=======================================		<u>=</u>
Net asset value per unit	9.7448 - - - - -	60.5195 44.6890 23.6144 10.0000	13.5505 10.1500 10.3803 - 5.9820	23.2588 19.3304 13.3118	12.9661 11.6533 - 8.8331	14.6670 12.8945	31.9548 24.5425 25.1899 13.3368 6.6599 8.1904	17.4205 11.4196 13.0174	51.8465 37.9892 10.0000	19.5990 - **9.0996 - -	60.3601 31.6337 - -

^{**} Investment class was fully redeemed on 8 November 2023.

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10. UNITS IN ISSUE (continued)

						2022					
	Principal Asian Bond Fund	Principal Asian Equity Fund	Principal China Equity Fund	Principal European Equity Fund	Principal Hong Kong Bond Fund	Principal Hong Kong Dollar Savings Fund	Principal Hong Kong Equity Fund	Principal International Bond Fund	Principal International Equity Fund	Principal Pension Bond Fund	Principal U.S. Equity Fund
Pension Class Balance brought forward Issued during the year Redeemed during the year	50,176,688.3192 11,337,830.2903 (12,406,678.2486)	95,467,298.0118 12,489,604.0169 (13,022,393.0726)	181,104,079.0640 54,931,228.1030 (49,879,485.7829)	176,287,709.5032 18,753,550.5954 (53,935,087.4442)	276,940,266.6519 34,589,969.5258 (50,024,156.6110)	232,820,560.7703 95,489,418.8896 (108,606,734.8298)	258,823,982.5487 81,315,209.9199 (55,977,514.9621)	282,530,398.4919 35,683,146.7350 (35,313,305.2962)	77,143,133.7070 21,712,066.9745 (18,412,671.1888)	129,873,844.1088 18,042,338.3255 (26,322,012.9363)	94,102,863.9479 28,322,364.1925 (28,852,078.3999)
Balance as at 31 December 2022	49,107,840.3609	94,934,508.9561	186,155,821.3841	141,106,172.6544	261,506,079.5667	219,703,244.8301	284,161,677.5065	282,900,239.9307	80,442,529.4927	121,594,169.4980	93,573,149.7405
Retail Class Balance brought forward Issued during the year Redeemed during the year Balance as at 31 December 2022	: 	545,068.6139 11,800.2011 (7,270.2542) 549,598.5608	33,031,728.6913 3,185,205.2306 (3,314,063.2483) 32,902,870.6736	: 	194,032,912.6359 8,696,189.7753 (44,733,860.4938) 157,995,241.9174	28,799,514.0898 4,680,307.9762 (11,832,839.9575) 21,646,982.1085	21,358,355.4329 3,392,168.4192 (4,425,304.2660) 20,325,219.5861	138,448.5654 (8,087.2185) 130,361.3469	9,906,603.8532 599,359.7502 (1,009,377.7677) 9,496,585.8357	: 	24,220,077.4956 15,713.2187 (4,715,987.8367) 19,519,802.8776
Investment Class Balance brought forward Issued during the year Redeemed during the year Balance as at 31 December 2022	<u>:</u> :	692,848.5165 7,026.5912 (11,112.8493) 688,762.2584	36,084,755,6170 4,186,183,5302 (1,847,648,3750) 38,423,290,7722	980,868.1651 6,659.6659 (323,379.1059) 664,148.7251		<u>:</u> 	14,703,759.6048 2,407,245.8429 (993,548.5714) 16,117,456.8763	42,345,512.2146 2,972,418.8846 (4,935,952.1542) 40,381,978.9450		233,473.7094 1,735.4164 	
I6 Class Balance brought forward Issued during the year Redeemed during the year	- - -	- - 	- - 	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - 	- 		- - -	- - -
Balance as at 31 December 2022	<u> </u>		_	<u> </u>	-	<u> </u>	-		<u> </u>		<u> </u>

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10. UNITS IN ISSUE (continued)

	2022 (continued)											
	Principal Asian	Principal Asian	Principal China	Principal European	Principal Hong Kong	Principal Hong Kong	Principal Hong Kong	Principal International	Principal International	Principal Pension	Principal U.S.	
	Bond	Equity	Equity	Equity	Bond	Dollar Savings	Equity	Bond	Equity	Bond	Equity	
	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	
R6 Class												
Balance brought forward	-	-	6,084,578.7342	-	88,394,014.5399	-	5,496,254.4042	-	-	-	-	
Issued during the year	=	-	4,554,363.0673	=	11,079,778.4957	=	2,926,017.3214	=	-	=	=	
Redeemed during the year			(3,671,226.0067)		(30,327,554.5283)		(1,269,131.5027)	-				
Balance as at 31 December 2022			6,967,715.7948		69,146,238.5073		7,153,140.2229					
Barance as at 31 December 2022			0,707,713.7748		07,140,238.3073		7,133,140.222)					
R2 Class												
Balance brought forward	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,039,530.1902	-	-	-	-	
Issued during the year	=	-	=	-	-	-	920,709.5878	-	-	-	-	
Redeemed during the year							(550,353.4505)					
Balance as at 31 December 2022							1,409,886.3275					
Barance as at 31 December 2022							1,409,880.3273		=======================================			
Net asset value per unit												
- Pension class	9.0748	56.8997	15.8396	19.6060	12.0649	13.9572	36.1012	16.2552	41.3037	18.2678	48.0027	
 Retail class 	-	42.6420	12.0879	_	10.9212	12.3257	28.1552	10.7870	30.7102	-	25.5261	
 Investment class 	-	22.4617	12.2936	16.5022	-	=	28.8305	12.2711	=	8.9713	-	
- I6 class	-	10.0000	-	13.3118	-	-	13.3368	-	10.0000	-	-	
 R6 class 	-	-	7.3957	-	8.6199	-	7.9415	-	-	-	-	
- R2 class	=	=		=	=		9.4819	=			=	
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11. NET ASSET VALUE FOR THE SUB-FUNDS

The Trustee and the Manager would like to highlight that the net asset value ("NAV") presented in the financial statements and that quoted for pricing purposes at the year end ("Dealing NAV") are the same since the adoption of HKFRS 13 in 2013. Difference noted in 2023 and 2022 was due to the principles for calculating the Dealing NAV as set out in the Explanatory Memorandum document being different from that required for financial reporting purposes under HKFRSs. The following reconciliation provides details of these differences for 2023 and 2022:

		2023											
	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal		
	Asian	Asian	China	European	Hong Kong	Hong Kong	Hong Kong	International	International	Pension	U.S.		
	Bond	Equity	Equity	Equity	Bond	Dollar Savings	Equity	Bond	Equity	Bond	Equity		
	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund		
	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$		
NAV as reported in the													
financial statements													
as at 31 December 2023/													
Dealing NAV as at													
31 December 2023	733,185,700	5,400,853,714	3,275,462,864	2,296,157,811	3,712,805,537	2,973,965,442	11,644,168,623	5,712,502,477	4,756,076,045	798,163,884	6,258,905,487		
=													
						2022							
	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal		
	Asian	Asian	China	European	Hong Kong	Hong Kong	Hong Kong	International	International	Pension	Ú.S.		
	Bond	Equity	Equity	Equity	Bond	Dollar Savings	Equity	Bond	Equity	Bond	Equity		
	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund		
	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$		
NAV as reported in the financial statements as at 31 December 2022/ Dealing NAV as at													
31 December 2022	445,644,991	5,440,655,571	3,870,270,817	2,777,498,711	5,476,614,678	3,333,274,562	11,365,694,114	5,095,548,491	3,614,222,431	2,223,373,691	4,990,037,946		

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12. NET INCOME/(LOSS) TO BE CARRIED FORWARD FOR DISTRIBUTION

						2023					
	Principal Asian Bond Fund HK\$	Principal Asian Equity Fund HK\$	Principal China Equity Fund HK\$	Principal European Equity Fund HK\$	Principal Hong Kong Bond Fund HK\$	Principal Hong Kong Dollar Savings Fund HK\$	Principal Hong Kong Equity Fund HK\$	Principal International Bond Fund HK\$	Principal International Equity Fund HK\$	Principal Pension Bond Fund HK\$	Principal U.S. Equity Fund HK\$
Net income/(loss) for the year before distribution to unitholders	40,864,777	_327,532,700	_(579,043,670)	440,980,642	307,164,110	170,386,038	(1,503,311,051)	368,536,386	938,138,634	96,241,939	1,294,559,757
Distributions to unitholders	-		(1,036,050)		(14,348,938)		(1,489,614)			-	-
Increase/(decrease) in net assets attributable to unitholders	40,864,777	327,532,700	_(580,079,720)	440,980,642	292,815,172	170,386,038	(1,504,800,665)	368,536,386	938,138,634	96,241,939	1,294,559,757
						2022					
-	Principal Asian Bond Fund HK\$	Principal Asian Equity Fund HK\$	Principal China Equity Fund HK\$	Principal European Equity Fund HK\$	Principal Hong Kong Bond Fund HK\$	Principal Hong Kong Dollar Savings Fund HK\$	Principal Hong Kong Equity Fund HK\$	Principal International Bond Fund HK\$	Principal International Equity Fund HK\$	Principal Pension Bond Fund HK\$	Principal U.S. Equity Fund HK\$
Net loss for the year before distribution to unitholders	(54,030,760)	(1,202,636,551)	(1,357,471,228)	(924,539,835)	_(553,022,127)	(12,160,741)	(2,688,176,622)	_(900,597,058)	_(930,541,735)	_(235,935,064)	(1,125,074,089)
Distributions to unitholders			(1,518,964)		(18,851,565)		(1,575,995)			-	
Decrease in net assets attributable to unitholders	(54,030,760)	(1,202,636,551)	(1,358,990,192)	(924,539,835)	(571,873,692)	(12,160,741)	(2,689,752,617)	(900,597,058)	(930,541,735)	(235,935,064)	(1,125,074,089)

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13. DISTRIBUTION

The Manager currently does not intend to make distributions in respect of the Investment Class Units, I6 Class Units, Pension Class Units, Retail Class Units and R2 Class Unit of any Sub-fund and any income earned by such classes of a Sub-fund will be reinvested in the relevant class or classes of that Sub-fund and reflected in the value of units of the relevant class or classes of that Sub-fund.

For R6 Class Units of any Sub-fund, the Manager at present intends to distribute all income or any part thereof received by the relevant Sub-fund and attributable to such Units generally on a quarterly basis in March, June, September and December each year. However, this is not a guarantee that such distributions will be made or that there will be a target level of income distribution for any Sub-fund. The level and frequency of the income distributed by any Sub-fund does not necessarily indicate the total return and income of such Sub-fund. However, the Manager may determine at its absolute discretion that no distribution shall be made (whether by way of interim distribution or final distribution) in respect of R6 Class Units of any Sub-fund.

The distributions made by Principal China Equity Fund, Principal Hong Kong Bond Fund and Principal Hong Kong Equity Fund for the year ended 31 December 2023 and 2022 are as follows:

	2023									
	<u>Princi</u>	oal China Equity	Fund - R6 Class	Principal Ho	ng Kong Bond	Fund - R6 Class	Principal Hong	Kong Equity F	und - R6 Class	
	Unit	HK\$/Unit	HK\$	Unit	HK\$/Unit	HK\$	Unit	HK\$/Unit	HK\$	
Undistributed profit/(loss) brought forward										
Net (loss)/profit for the year			(579,043,670)			307,164,110		(1,503,311,051)	
Distribution for Q1 2023 (paid at 11 April 2023)	6,967,951.2389	0.0029	(20,207)	61,077,992.1609	0.0649	(3,963,962)	6,777,632.2833	0.0258	(174,863)	
Distribution for Q2 2023 (paid at 10 July 2023)	6,704,725.6912	0.0822	(551,128)	53,231,620.6631	0.0745	(3,965,756)	6,587,088.6936	0.0944	(621,821)	
Distribution for Q3 2023 (paid at 09 October 2023)	4,463,117.2346	0.0932	(415,963)	46,025,130.7696	0.0754	(3,470,295)	7,002,322.7318	0.0761	(532,877)	
Distribution for Q4 2023 (paid at 09 January 2024)	5,026,029.5975	0.0097	(48,752)	40,900,485.4284	0.0721	(2,948,925)	7,409,849.7641	0.0216	(160,053)	
Transfer to capital			580,079,720			(292,815,172)			1,504,800,665	
Undistributed profit/(loss) carried forward						<u> </u>			<u>-</u>	

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13. DISTRIBUTION (continued)

	Princip	al China Equity	y Fund - R6 Class	Principal Ho	ng Kong Bond	Fund - R6 Class	Principal Hong Kong Equity Fund - R6 Class		
	Unit	HK\$/Unit	HK\$	Unit	HK\$/Unit	HK\$	Unit	HK\$/Unit	HK\$
Undistributed loss brought forward									
Net loss for the year			(1,357,471,228)			(553,022,127)			(2,688,176,622)
Distribution for Q1 2022	7,342,286.7199	0.0019	(13,951)	87,503,626.3245	0.0526	(4,602,691)	5,911,003.2327	0.0237	(140,091)
(paid at 11 April 2022)									
Distribution for Q2 2022	7,295,204.0271	0.1386	(1,011,115)	87,220,984.8005	0.0578	(5,041,373)	7,109,575.1638	0.1197	(851,016)
(paid at 11 July 2022)	0.500.005.4446	0.0550	(472.005)	76 000 602 5746	0.0640	(4,000,500)	7 1 40 602 0171	0.0604	(406 100)
Distribution for Q3 2022	8,599,905.4446	0.0550	(472,995)	76,999,693.5746	0.0648	(4,989,580)	7,149,692.9171	0.0694	(496,189)
(paid at 10 October 2022) Distribution for Q4 2022	6,967,715.7937	0.0030	(20,903)	69,146,238.5070	0.0610	(4,217,921)	7,153,140,2229	0.0124	(88,699)
(paid at 09 January 2023)	0,707,713.7737	0.0030	(20,703)	07,140,230.3070	0.0010	(4,217,721)	7,133,140.2227	0.0124	(00,077)
Transfer to capital			1,358,990,192			571,873,692			2,689,752,617
									
Undistributed loss carried forward			-			_			-

14. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The following is a summary of transactions with related parties during the year which were entered into in the ordinary course of business and on normal commercial terms:

(a) Principal Asset Management Company (Asia) Limited is the Manager of the Sub-funds. The Manager is entitled to receive management fees for each Sub-fund, calculated at the following percentage of the NAV of the relevant class of units of each Sub-fund. The maximum management fee for each class of units of each Sub-fund is 2% per annum of its NAV.

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14. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS (continued)

(a) (continued)

	Management fee (p.a.)							
	Pension	Retail	Investment	I6	R6	R2		
	Class	Class	Class	Class	Class	Class		
Principal Asian Bond Fund	Nil	N/A	0.80%	0.80%	N/A	N/A		
Principal Asian Equity Fund	Nil	1.20%	0.90%	0.80%	1.20%	1.20%		
Principal China Equity Fund	Nil	1.50%	1.00%	0.80%	1.50%	1.50%		
Principal European Equity Fund	Nil	1.50%	1.00%	0.80%	1.50%	1.50%		
Principal Hong Kong Bond Fund	Nil	0.50%	N/A	0.80%	0.50%	0.50%		
Principal Hong Kong Dollar Savings Fund	Nil	0.25%	0.60%	0.80%	0.25%	0.25%		
Principal Hong Kong Equity Fund	Nil	1.20%	1.00%	0.80%	1.20%	1.20%		
Principal International Bond Fund	Nil	1.00%	0.80%	0.80%	1.00%	1.00%		
Principal International Equity Fund	Nil	1.20%	1.00%	0.80%	1.20%	1.20%		
Principal Pension Bond Fund	Nil	1.00%	0.80%	0.80%	1.00%	1.00%		
Principal U.S. Equity Fund	Nil	1.20%	1.00%	0.80%	1.20%	1.20%		

The management fee is accrued daily, calculated on each dealing day and is paid monthly in arrears.

(b) Principal Trust Company (Asia) Limited acts as the Trustee and the Registrar of the Subfunds. The Trustee is entitled to receive a trustee fee from each Sub-fund at the following percentage of the NAV of the relevant class of units of each Sub-fund. The maximum trustee fee for each class of units of each Sub-fund is 1% per annum of its NAV.

<u> </u>	Trustee fee (p.a.)						
	Pension	Retail	Investment	I6	R6	R2	
	Class	Class	Class	Class	Class	Class	
Principal Asian Bond Fund	Nil	N/A	0.20%	0.20%	N/A	N/A	
Principal Asian Equity Fund	Nil	0.20%	0.20%	0.20%	0.20%	0.20%	
Principal China Equity Fund	Nil	0.20%	0.20%	0.20%	0.20%	0.20%	
Principal European Equity Fund	Nil	0.20%	0.20%	0.20%	0.20%	0.20%	
Principal Hong Kong Bond Fund	Nil	0.20%	N/A	0.20%	0.20%	0.20%	
Principal Hong Kong Dollar Savings Fund	Nil	0.20%	0.20%	0.20%	0.20%	0.20%	
Principal Hong Kong Equity Fund	Nil	0.20%	0.20%	0.20%	0.20%	0.20%	
Principal International Bond Fund	Nil	0.20%	0.20%	0.20%	0.20%	0.20%	
Principal International Equity Fund	Nil	0.20%	0.20%	0.20%	0.20%	0.20%	
Principal Pension Bond Fund	Nil	0.20%	0.20%	0.20%	0.20%	0.20%	
Principal U.S. Equity Fund	Nil	0.20%	0.20%	0.20%	0.20%	0.20%	

The trustee fee is accrued daily, calculated on each dealing day and is paid monthly in arrears.

- (c) During the year, the Manager has delegated part of its responsibilities to a fellow subsidiary, Principal Global Investors, LLC.
- (d) The transactions with related parties as stated above are within the definition of transactions with associates in accordance with the Ordinance and MPF Guidelines on Reporting Requirements II.5 Annex A I(E)2.

The amounts of related party transactions during the year are disclosed in the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income.

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14. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS (continued)

						2023					
	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal
	Asian	Asian	China	European	Hong Kong	Hong Kong	Hong Kong	International	International	Pension	U.S.
	Bond	Equity	Equity	Equity	Bond	Dollar Savings	Equity	Bond	Equity	Bond	Equity
	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund
	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$
Management fees payable	_	36,049	731,818	4,026	756,580	51,952	806,173	343,852	344,819	-	620,106
Trustee fee payable		6,727	120,907	805	302,632	41,561	146,645	85,894	57,470		103,351
		42,776	852,725	4,831	1,059,212	93,513	952,818	429,746	402,289		723,457
						2022					
	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal
	Asian	Asian	China	European	Hong Kong	Hong Kong	Hong Kong	International	International	Pension	U.S.
	Bond	Equity	Equity	Equity	Bond	Dollar Savings	Equity	Bond	Equity	Bond	Equity
	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund
	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$
Management fees payable	-	35,521	954,701	9,276	991,230	57,957	1,034,859	340,060	299,151	1,095	510,451
Trustee fee payable		6,574	162,302	1,855	396,492	46,366	185,729	84,953	49,859	701	85,075
Trustee fee payable	_	6,574 42,095	162,302 1,117,003	1,855 11,131	396,492 1,387,722	<u>46,366</u> 104,323	1,220,588	84,953 425,013	49,859 349,010		85,075 595,526

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15. SOFT COMMISSION ARRANGEMENTS

During the year, the Manager, delegate and sub-delegates of the Manager, and/or their connected parties, had soft commission arrangements with brokers in respect of which certain goods and services used to support investment decision making were received. The Manager, delegate and sub-delegates of the Manager, and/or their connected parties, do not make direct payment for these services but transacts an agreed amount of HK\$48,615,238,497 (2022: HK\$51,911,232,665) of business with the brokers on behalf of the Sub-funds and commission of HK\$15,502,928 (2022: HK\$15,660,095) is paid on these transactions.

The services utilised for the Sub-funds include research and trading related items.

The Manager is satisfied that such soft commission arrangements comply with the relevant requirements under the UT Code.

16. BANKING FACILITIES, BANK LOANS, OVERDRAFTS AND OTHER BORROWINGS

The Sub-funds had no bank loans, overdrafts or other borrowings as at 31 December 2023 (2022: Nil).

17. SECURITY LENDING ARRANGEMENTS

During the year ended 31 December 2023, the Sub-funds did not enter into any security lending arrangements (2022: Nil).

18. NEGOTIABILITY OF ASSETS

At 31 December 2023, there was no statutory or contractual requirement restricting the negotiability of the assets of the Sub-funds (2022: Nil).

19. COMMITMENTS

The Sub-funds had no commitments as at 31 December 2023 (2022: Nil).

20. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

The Sub-funds had no contingent liabilities as at 31 December 2023 (2022: Nil).

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21. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS BY CATEGORY

The carrying amounts of each of the categories of financial instruments as at the end of the reporting period are as follows:

Principal Asian Bond Fund

Financial assets						
_		2023			2022	
	At fair value			At fair value		
	through profit	At amortised		through profit	At amortised	
	or loss	cost	Total	or loss	cost	Total
	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$
Investments at fair value						
through profit or loss	713,024,804	-	713,024,804	411,958,119	-	411,958,119
Derivative financial instruments	-	-	-	416,538	-	416,538
Interest and dividend receivables	-	8,222,227	8,222,227	-	3,764,485	3,764,485
Amounts receivable from brokers	-	-	-	-	1,979,690	1,979,690
Amounts receivable on subscriptions	-	849,631	849,631	-	994,932	994,932
Cash at banks	-	12,010,328	12,010,328	-	28,675,231	28,675,231
	713,024,804	21,082,186	734,106,990	412,374,657	35,414,338	447,788,995
<u>Financial liabilities</u>						
<u>-</u>		2023			2022	
	At fair value			At fair value		
	through profit	At amortised		through profit	At amortised	
	or loss	cost	Total	or loss	cost	Total
	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$
Derivative financial instruments	-	-	-	466,429	-	466,429
Amounts payable on redemptions	-	759,015	759,015	-	1,583,965	1,583,965
Accrual and other payables		162,275	162,275		93,610	93,610
	-	921,290	921,290	466,429	1,677,575	2,144,004

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21. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS BY CATEGORY (continued)

Principal Asian Equity Fund

Financial assets		2023			2022	
-	At fair value through profit or loss HK\$		Total HK\$	At fair value through profit or loss HK\$	-	Total HK\$
Investments at fair value through profit or loss Interest and dividend receivables Amounts receivable on subscriptions Cash at banks	5,226,339,480	3,489,246 2,518,246 177,504,625	5,226,339,480 3,489,246 2,518,246 177,504,625	5,081,103,574	1,609,929 7,430,269 363,269,255	5,081,103,574 1,609,929 7,430,269 363,269,255
	5,226,339,480	<u>183,512,117</u>	5,409,851,597	5,081,103,574	<u>372,309,453</u>	5,453,413,027
Financial liabilities			2023			2022
		Α	at amortised cost HK\$		A	At amortised cost HK\$
Amounts payable to brokers Amounts payable on redemptions Accrual and other payables			8,270,082 727,801			6,870,894 5,344,820 541,742
			8,997,883			12,757,456
Principal China Equity Fund						
Financial assets		2023			2022	
	At fair value through profit or loss HK\$		Total HK\$	At fair value through profit or loss HK\$		Total HK\$
Investments at fair value through profit or loss Interest and dividend receivables Amounts receivable on subscriptions Cash at banks	3,182,945,287	3,161,676 2,699,968 105,936,505	3,182,945,287 3,161,676 2,699,968 105,936,505	3,767,550,925	- 11,495,819 102,651,195	3,767,550,925 11,495,819 102,651,195
	3,182,945,287	111,798,149	3,294,743,436	3,767,550,925	114,147,014	3,881,697,939
Financial liabilities			2023			2022
		A	at amortised cost HK\$		P	At amortised cost HK\$
Amounts payable to brokers Amounts payable on redemptions Distribution payables Accrual and other payables			8,443,656 9,231,206 48,752 1,556,958			9,933,605 20,903 1,472,614
			19,280,572			11,427,122

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21. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS BY CATEGORY (continued)

Principal European Equity Fund

Financial assets		2022			2022	
	At fair value	2023		At fair value	2022	
	through profit	At amortised		through profit	At amortised	
	or loss	cost	Total	or loss	costs	Total
	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$
Investments at fair value						
through profit or loss	2,226,575,125	_	2,226,575,125	2,714,351,405	-	2,714,351,405
Derivative financial instruments	9,011,968	-	9,011,968	5,593,721	-	5,593,721
Interest and dividend receivables	-	1,089,665	1,089,665	-	563,200	563,200
Amounts receivable from brokers Amounts receivable on subscriptions	_	838 4,775,275	838 4,775,275	-	35,116,737 263,655	35,116,737 263,655
Cash at banks	-	83,332,523	83,332,523	_	65,456,124	65,456,124
	2,235,587,093	89,198,301	2,324,785,394	2,719,945,126	101,399,716	2,821,344,842
Financial liabilities						
		2023			2022	
	At fair value	A 4		At fair value	A 4 1	
	through profit or loss	cost	Total	through profit or loss	costs	Total
	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$
Derivative financial instruments	27,502,238	839	27,502,238	7,068,672	26 201 510	7,068,672
Amounts payable to brokers Amounts payable on redemptions	_	351,860	839 351,860	-	36,381,518 249,368	36,381,518 249,368
Accrual and other payables	-	772,646	772,646	-	146,573	146,573
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	27,502,238	1,125,345	28,627,583	7,068,672	36,777,459	43,846,131
Principal Hong Kong Bond Fund						
Principal Hong Kong Bond Fund Financial assets						
	At fair value	2023		At fair value	2022	
	At fair value			At fair value	-	
	At fair value through profit or loss		Total	At fair value through profit or loss	-	Total
	through profit	At amortised	Total HK\$	through profit	At amortised	Total HK\$
Financial assets	through profit or loss	At amortised cost		through profit or loss	At amortised costs	
Financial assets Investments at fair value	through profit or loss HK\$	At amortised cost	HK\$	through profit or loss HK\$	At amortised costs	HK\$
Financial assets	through profit or loss	At amortised cost HK\$		through profit or loss	At amortised costs	
Investments at fair value through profit or loss Interest and dividend receivables Amounts receivable from brokers	through profit or loss HK\$	At amortised cost HK\$ - 43,750,610 40,947,335	HK\$ 3,621,083,157 43,750,610 40,947,335	through profit or loss HK\$	At amortised costs HK\$	HK\$ 5,328,791,092 45,424,288
Investments at fair value through profit or loss Interest and dividend receivables Amounts receivable from brokers Amounts receivable on subscriptions	through profit or loss HK\$	At amortised cost HK\$ 43,750,610 40,947,335 1,836,263	HK\$ 3,621,083,157 43,750,610 40,947,335 1,836,263	through profit or loss HK\$	At amortised costs HK\$	HK\$ 5,328,791,092 45,424,288 - 5,999,442
Investments at fair value through profit or loss Interest and dividend receivables Amounts receivable from brokers	through profit or loss HK\$	At amortised cost HK\$ - 43,750,610 40,947,335	HK\$ 3,621,083,157 43,750,610 40,947,335	through profit or loss HK\$	At amortised costs HK\$	HK\$ 5,328,791,092 45,424,288
Investments at fair value through profit or loss Interest and dividend receivables Amounts receivable from brokers Amounts receivable on subscriptions	through profit or loss HK\$	At amortised cost HK\$ 43,750,610 40,947,335 1,836,263 43,899,800	HK\$ 3,621,083,157 43,750,610 40,947,335 1,836,263 43,899,800	through profit or loss HK\$ 5,328,791,092	At amortised costs HK\$	5,328,791,092 45,424,288 5,999,442 110,556,169
Investments at fair value through profit or loss Interest and dividend receivables Amounts receivable from brokers Amounts receivable on subscriptions	through profit or loss HK\$	At amortised cost HK\$ 43,750,610 40,947,335 1,836,263 43,899,800	HK\$ 3,621,083,157 43,750,610 40,947,335 1,836,263	through profit or loss HK\$	At amortised costs HK\$	HK\$ 5,328,791,092 45,424,288 - 5,999,442
Investments at fair value through profit or loss Interest and dividend receivables Amounts receivable from brokers Amounts receivable on subscriptions Cash at banks	through profit or loss HK\$	At amortised cost HK\$ 43,750,610 40,947,335 1,836,263 43,899,800	HK\$ 3,621,083,157 43,750,610 40,947,335 1,836,263 43,899,800	through profit or loss HK\$ 5,328,791,092	At amortised costs HK\$	5,328,791,092 45,424,288 5,999,442 110,556,169
Investments at fair value through profit or loss Interest and dividend receivables Amounts receivable from brokers Amounts receivable on subscriptions	through profit or loss HK\$	At amortised cost HK\$ 43,750,610 40,947,335 1,836,263 43,899,800	HK\$ 3,621,083,157 43,750,610 40,947,335 1,836,263 43,899,800	through profit or loss HK\$ 5,328,791,092	At amortised costs HK\$	5,328,791,092 45,424,288 5,999,442 110,556,169
Investments at fair value through profit or loss Interest and dividend receivables Amounts receivable from brokers Amounts receivable on subscriptions Cash at banks	through profit or loss HK\$	At amortised cost HK\$ 43,750,610 40,947,335 1,836,263 43,899,800 -130,434,008	HK\$ 3,621,083,157 43,750,610 40,947,335 1,836,263 43,899,800 3,751,517,165	through profit or loss HK\$ 5,328,791,092	At amortised costs HK\$ 45,424,288 5,999,442 110,556,169 161,979,899	5,328,791,092 45,424,288 5,999,442 110,556,169 5,490,770,991
Investments at fair value through profit or loss Interest and dividend receivables Amounts receivable from brokers Amounts receivable on subscriptions Cash at banks	through profit or loss HK\$	At amortised cost HK\$ 43,750,610 40,947,335 1,836,263 43,899,800 -130,434,008	HK\$ 3,621,083,157 43,750,610 40,947,335 1,836,263 43,899,800 3,751,517,165	through profit or loss HK\$ 5,328,791,092	At amortised costs HK\$ 45,424,288 5,999,442 110,556,169 161,979,899	HK\$ 5,328,791,092 45,424,288 5,999,442 110,556,169 5,490,770,991
Investments at fair value through profit or loss Interest and dividend receivables Amounts receivable from brokers Amounts receivable on subscriptions Cash at banks Financial liabilities	through profit or loss HK\$	At amortised cost HK\$ 43,750,610 40,947,335 1,836,263 43,899,800 -130,434,008	HK\$ 3,621,083,157 43,750,610 40,947,335 1,836,263 43,899,800 3,751,517,165 2023 at amortised cost HK\$	through profit or loss HK\$ 5,328,791,092	At amortised costs HK\$ 45,424,288 5,999,442 110,556,169 161,979,899	5,328,791,092 45,424,288 5,999,442 110,556,169 5,490,770,991 2022 at amortised cost
Investments at fair value through profit or loss Interest and dividend receivables Amounts receivable from brokers Amounts receivable on subscriptions Cash at banks Financial liabilities Amounts payable to brokers	through profit or loss HK\$	At amortised cost HK\$ 43,750,610 40,947,335 1,836,263 43,899,800 -130,434,008	HK\$ 3,621,083,157 43,750,610 40,947,335 1,836,263 43,899,800 3,751,517,165 2023 at amortised cost HK\$ 41,507	through profit or loss HK\$ 5,328,791,092	At amortised costs HK\$ 45,424,288 5,999,442 110,556,169 161,979,899	5,328,791,092 45,424,288 5,999,442 110,556,169 5,490,770,991 2022 at amortised cost HK\$
Investments at fair value through profit or loss Interest and dividend receivables Amounts receivable from brokers Amounts receivable on subscriptions Cash at banks Financial liabilities	through profit or loss HK\$	At amortised cost HK\$ 43,750,610 40,947,335 1,836,263 43,899,800 -130,434,008	HK\$ 3,621,083,157 43,750,610 40,947,335 1,836,263 43,899,800 3,751,517,165 2023 at amortised cost HK\$	through profit or loss HK\$ 5,328,791,092	At amortised costs HK\$ 45,424,288 5,999,442 110,556,169 161,979,899	5,328,791,092 45,424,288 5,999,442 110,556,169 5,490,770,991 2022 at amortised cost
Investments at fair value through profit or loss Interest and dividend receivables Amounts receivable from brokers Amounts receivable on subscriptions Cash at banks Financial liabilities Amounts payable to brokers Amounts payable on redemptions	through profit or loss HK\$	At amortised cost HK\$ 43,750,610 40,947,335 1,836,263 43,899,800 -130,434,008	HK\$ 3,621,083,157 43,750,610 40,947,335 1,836,263 43,899,800 3,751,517,165 2023 at amortised cost HK\$ 41,507 32,732,971	through profit or loss HK\$ 5,328,791,092	At amortised costs HK\$ 45,424,288 5,999,442 110,556,169 161,979,899	HK\$ 5,328,791,092 45,424,288 5,999,442 110,556,169 5,490,770,991 2022 at amortised cost HK\$ 7,268,727
Investments at fair value through profit or loss Interest and dividend receivables Amounts receivable from brokers Amounts receivable on subscriptions Cash at banks Financial liabilities Amounts payable to brokers Amounts payable on redemptions Distribution payables	through profit or loss HK\$	At amortised cost HK\$ 43,750,610 40,947,335 1,836,263 43,899,800 -130,434,008	HK\$ 3,621,083,157 43,750,610 40,947,335 1,836,263 43,899,800 3,751,517,165 2023 at amortised cost HK\$ 41,507 32,732,971 2,948,925 2,988,225	through profit or loss HK\$ 5,328,791,092	At amortised costs HK\$ 45,424,288 5,999,442 110,556,169 161,979,899	HK\$ 5,328,791,092 45,424,288 5,999,442 110,556,169 5,490,770,991 2022 amortised cost HK\$ 7,268,727 4,217,921 2,669,665
Investments at fair value through profit or loss Interest and dividend receivables Amounts receivable from brokers Amounts receivable on subscriptions Cash at banks Financial liabilities Amounts payable to brokers Amounts payable on redemptions Distribution payables	through profit or loss HK\$	At amortised cost HK\$ 43,750,610 40,947,335 1,836,263 43,899,800 -130,434,008	HK\$ 3,621,083,157 43,750,610 40,947,335 1,836,263 43,899,800 3,751,517,165 2023 at amortised cost HK\$ 41,507 32,732,971 2,948,925	through profit or loss HK\$ 5,328,791,092	At amortised costs HK\$ 45,424,288 5,999,442 110,556,169 161,979,899	HK\$ 5,328,791,092 45,424,288 5,999,442 110,556,169 5,490,770,991 2022 at amortised cost HK\$ 7,268,727 4,217,921

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21. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS BY CATEGORY (continued)

Principal Hong Kong Dollar Savings Fund

Financial assets		2023			2022	
	At fair value through profit or loss HK\$		Total HK\$	At fair value through profit or loss HK\$		Total HK\$
Investments at fair value through profit or loss Interest and dividend receivables Amounts receivable on subscriptions Cash at banks	2,572,842,210	54,586,732 12,200,304 347,298,417	2,572,842,210 54,586,732 12,200,304 347,298,417	2,361,363,256	36,021,796 14,034,132 936,751,508	2,361,363,256 36,021,796 14,034,132 936,751,508
	2,572,842,210	414,085,453	2,986,927,663	2,361,363,256	986,807,436	3,348,170,692
<u>Financial liabilities</u>		F	2023 At amortised cost HK\$		1	2022 At amortised cost HK\$
Amounts payable on redemptions Accrual and other payables			12,270,657 691,564			14,590,667 305,463
			12,962,221			14,896,130
Principal Hong Kong Equity Fund						
Financial assets		2023			2022	
Financial assets	At fair value through profit or loss HK\$	2023 At amortised cost HK\$	Total HK\$	At fair value through profit or loss HK\$	2022 At amortised costs HK\$	Total HK\$
Investments at fair value through profit or loss Interest and dividend receivables Amounts receivable from brokers Amounts receivable on subscriptions Cash at banks	through profit or loss	At amortised cost HK\$		through profit or loss	At amortised costs	
Investments at fair value through profit or loss Interest and dividend receivables Amounts receivable from brokers Amounts receivable on subscriptions	through profit or loss HK\$	At amortised cost HK\$ 10,713,212 26,399,563 6,292,817 534,560,289	HK\$ 11,202,033,315 10,713,212 26,399,563 6,292,817	through profit or loss HK\$	At amortised costs HK\$	HK\$ 11,034,449,100
Investments at fair value through profit or loss Interest and dividend receivables Amounts receivable from brokers Amounts receivable on subscriptions	through profit or loss HK\$	At amortised cost HK\$ 10,713,212 26,399,563 6,292,817 534,560,289 577,965,881	HK\$ 11,202,033,315 10,713,212 26,399,563 6,292,817 534,560,289	through profit or loss HK\$ 11,034,449,100	At amortised costs HK\$	HK\$ 11,034,449,100 21,112,675 337,471,279
Investments at fair value through profit or loss Interest and dividend receivables Amounts receivable from brokers Amounts receivable on subscriptions Cash at banks	through profit or loss HK\$	At amortised cost HK\$ 10,713,212 26,399,563 6,292,817 534,560,289 577,965,881	HK\$ 11,202,033,315	through profit or loss HK\$ 11,034,449,100	At amortised costs HK\$	HK\$ 11,034,449,100 21,112,675 337,471,279 11,393,033,054 2022 At amortised cost

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21. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS BY CATEGORY (continued)

Principal International Bond Fund

Financial assets		2023			2022	
	At fair value through profit	At amortised	T-4-1	At fair value through profit	At amortised	T-4-1
	or loss HK\$	cost HK\$	Total HK\$	or loss HK\$	costs HK\$	Total HK\$
Investments at fair value through profit or loss Derivative financial instruments Interest and dividend receivables	5,213,906,196 387,007	- - 44,172,374	5,213,906,196 387,007 44,172,374	4,929,401,190 1,827,390	36,317,733	4,929,401,190 1,827,390 36,317,733
Amounts receivable from brokers Amounts receivable on subscriptions Cash at banks	- - -	173,556,937 6,775,622 360,583,070	173,556,937 6,775,622 360,583,070		93,730,963 6,219,348 157,446,138	93,730,963 6,219,348 157,446,138
	5,214,293,203	<u>585,088,003</u>	5,799,381,206	4,931,228,580	<u>293,714,182</u>	5,224,942,762
Financial liabilities						
	At fair value	2023		At fair value	2022	
	through profit			through profit		
	or loss HK\$	cost HK\$	Total HK\$	or loss HK\$	cost HK\$	Total HK\$
Derivative financial instruments	4,366,710	-	4,366,710	4,235,782	-	4,235,782
Amounts payable to brokers Amounts payable on redemptions	-	75,751,274 5,659,485	75,751,274 5,659,485	-	121,135,828 3,304,570	121,135,828 3,304,570
Accrual and other payables		1,101,260	1,101,260		718,091	718,091
	4,366,710	82,512,019	86,878,729	4,235,782	125,158,489	129,394,271
Principal International Equity Fund						
Financial assets		2023			2022	
•	At fair value	2023		At fair value	2022	
	through profit		m . 1	through profit		
	or loss HK\$	cost HK\$	Total HK\$	or loss HK\$	costs HK\$	Total HK\$
Investments at fair value through profit or loss	4,604,432,300	-	4,604,432,300	3,477,959,886	-	3,477,959,886
Interest and dividend receivables Amounts receivable from brokers	-	2,906,460 446,818	2,906,460 446,818	-	2,170,897 1,054,274	2,170,897 1,054,274
Amounts receivable from brokers Amounts receivable on subscriptions	-	9,070,216	9,070,216	-	9,496,576	9,496,576
Cash at banks		149,432,546	149,432,546		134,427,382	134,427,382
	4,604,432,300	161,856,040	4,766,288,340	3,477,959,886	147,149,129	3,625,109,015
Financial liabilities						2022
			2022			
			2023		,	2022
		Α	2023 at amortised cost HK\$		A	At amortised cost HK\$
Amounts payable to brokers		A	at amortised cost HK\$ 250,787		A	At amortised cost HK\$ 1,003,918
Amounts payable on redemptions		Α	250,787 9,057,036		A	At amortised cost HK\$ 1,003,918 9,196,530
		Α	at amortised cost HK\$ 250,787		A	At amortised cost HK\$ 1,003,918

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21. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS BY CATEGORY (continued)

Principal Pension Bond Fund

Financial asset		2023			2022	
-	At fair value through profit or loss HK\$		Total HK\$	At fair value through profit or loss HK\$		Total HK\$
Investments at fair value through profit or loss Interest and dividend receivables Amounts receivable on subscriptions Cash at banks	770,028,212	6,602,870 1,808,632 22,521,188	770,028,212 6,602,870 1,808,632 22,521,188	2,106,377,263	17,648,636 5,657,972 99,237,639	2,106,377,263 17,648,636 5,657,972 99,237,639
	770,028,212	30,932,690	800,960,902	2,106,377,263	122,544,247	2,228,921,510
Financial liabilities		A	2023 at amortised cost HK\$		A	2022 at amortised cost HK\$
Amounts payable on redemptions Accrual and other payables			2,317,194 479,824			5,446,691 101,128
			2,797,018			5,547,819
Principal U.S. Equity Fund						
Financial assets		2022			2022	
<u>Financial assets</u>	At fair value through profit or loss HK\$	2023 At amortised cost HK\$	Total HK\$	At fair value through profit or loss HK\$	2022 At amortised costs HK\$	Total HK\$
Investments at fair value through profit or loss Interest and dividend receivables Amounts receivable on subscriptions Rebate receivable Cash at banks	through profit or loss HK\$ 6,126,351,142	At amortised cost HK\$ 3,790,892 23,490,155 13,438 120,927,147	HK\$ 6,126,351,142 3,790,892 23,490,155 13,438 120,927,147	through profit or loss HK\$ 4,900,392,009	At amortised costs HK\$ 3,056,023 15,532,472 11,276 81,230,722	HK\$ 4,900,392,009 3,056,023 15,532,472 11,276 81,230,722
Investments at fair value through profit or loss Interest and dividend receivables Amounts receivable on subscriptions Rebate receivable	through profit or loss HK\$ 6,126,351,142	At amortised cost HK\$ 3,790,892 23,490,155 13,438 120,927,147 148,221,632	HK\$ 6,126,351,142 3,790,892 23,490,155 13,438 120,927,147 6,274,572,774 2023 at amortised cost	through profit or loss HK\$ 4,900,392,009	At amortised costs HK\$ 3,056,023 15,532,472 11,276 81,230,722 99,830,493	HK\$ 4,900,392,009 3,056,023 15,532,472 11,276 81,230,722 5,000,222,502 2022 at amortised cost
Investments at fair value through profit or loss Interest and dividend receivables Amounts receivable on subscriptions Rebate receivable Cash at banks	through profit or loss HK\$ 6,126,351,142	At amortised cost HK\$ 3,790,892 23,490,155 13,438 120,927,147 148,221,632	HK\$ 6,126,351,142 3,790,892 23,490,155 13,438 120,927,147 6,274,572,774	through profit or loss HK\$ 4,900,392,009	At amortised costs HK\$ 3,056,023 15,532,472 11,276 81,230,722 99,830,493	HK\$ 4,900,392,009 3,056,023 15,532,472 11,276 81,230,722 5,000,222,502

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22. FAIR VALUE AND FAIR VALUE HIERARCHY OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The major methods and assumptions used in estimating the fair values of financial instruments in accordance to the accounting policy, as stated in note 2.4, are disclosed below.

The carrying amounts of all the Sub-funds' financial assets and financial liabilities at the year end date approximated their fair values. For investment in securities, the fair values are based on their quoted market prices at the year end date without any deduction for estimated future selling costs. For other financial instruments, including amounts due from/to brokers, other account receivables and accounts payables, the carrying amounts approximate their fair values due to the immediate or short-term nature of these financial instruments.

The following tables illustrate the fair value measurement hierarchy of the fund's financial statements:

		2023		
	Quoted price in active	Significant observable	Significant unobservable	
	markets	inputs	inputs	
	(Level 1)	(Level 2)	(Level 3)	Total
	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$
Assets				
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss:				
- Investments at fair value through profit or loss - Derivative financial instruments	32,568,676,649	12,890,884,579 9,398,975	-	45,459,561,228 9,398,975
- Derivative intalicial instruments				
	32,568,676,649	12,900,283,554		45,468,960,203
Liabilities				
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss: - Derivative financial instruments		21 969 049		21 979 049
- Derivative financial instruments		31,868,948	<u>-</u>	31,868,948
<u>-</u>	0	2022	C::C:	
	Quoted price in active	Significant observable	Significant unobservable	
	markets	inputs	inputs	
	(Level 1)	(Level 2)	(Level 3)	Total
				Total HK\$
Assets	(Level 1)	(Level 2)	(Level 3)	
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss:	(Level 1) HK\$	(Level 2) HK\$	(Level 3)	HK\$
	(Level 1)	(Level 2)	(Level 3)	
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss: - Investments at fair value through profit or loss	(Level 1) HK\$	(Level 2) HK\$	(Level 3)	HK\$ 46,113,697,819
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss: - Investments at fair value through profit or loss	(Level 1) HK\$	(Level 2) HK\$	(Level 3)	HK\$ 46,113,697,819
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss: - Investments at fair value through profit or loss - Derivative financial instruments	(Level 1) HK\$	(Level 2) HK\$ 15,137,890,920 7,837,649	(Level 3)	HK\$ 46,113,697,819 7,837,649
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss: - Investments at fair value through profit or loss - Derivative financial instruments Liabilities	(Level 1) HK\$	(Level 2) HK\$ 15,137,890,920 7,837,649	(Level 3)	HK\$ 46,113,697,819 7,837,649
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss: - Investments at fair value through profit or loss - Derivative financial instruments	(Level 1) HK\$	(Level 2) HK\$ 15,137,890,920 7,837,649	(Level 3)	HK\$ 46,113,697,819 7,837,649

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23. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES

The Sub-funds' investing activities expose them to various types of risks that are associated with the financial instruments and markets in which they invest. The most important types of financial risks to which the Sub-funds are exposed are market risk, credit risk and liquidity risk.

Asset allocation is determined by the Sub-funds' Manager who manages the distribution of the assets to achieve the investment objectives as stated in the "Investment objective and policies" section of the investment report of the Sub-funds. Divergence from target asset allocations and the composition of the portfolio is monitored by the Sub-funds' Manager. In instances where the Sub-funds have diverged from target asset allocations, the Sub-funds' Manager will rebalance the portfolios to fall in line with the target asset allocations.

(a) Market risk

Market risk embodies the potential for both loss and gain and includes currency risk, interest rate risk and other price risk. To control risk, investment decisions are based on risk/reward analysis, with the adoption of diversification policies. Investment decisions are taken in accordance with the investment objectives of the concerned portfolios so that unwarranted deviations (risks) are controlled. For example, exposure to long-term bonds is limited in the case of short-medium bond funds so that the price risk from a change in market interest rates is limited. Conversely, for long-term bond funds, a close watch is kept not only on duration but also on the amount of cash/near cash assets as an excess of such assets too can deviate from the portfolio objectives. For equity portfolios too, composition is based on risk-return objectives, in consideration of internally selected benchmarks.

The securities markets of emerging markets tend to be more volatile, less liquid, subject to substantial currency fluctuations and can experience sudden economic and political developments. They may have less government regulations and are probably less subject to extensive accounting and financial reporting requirements than the markets of more developed countries. At times, the Sub-funds may not be able to sell certain portfolio securities without a substantial drop in price, if at all.

The Sub-funds are also subject to the risk of concentration of investments in issuers located in a particular country or region which may be susceptible to adverse securities markets, exchange rates and social, political, regulatory or economic events which may occur in that country or region.

Currency risk

The Sub-funds may invest in financial instruments denominated in currencies other than their functional currencies. Consequently, the portfolios are exposed to the risk that the exchange rate of their currency relative to other foreign currencies may change in a manner that has an adverse effect on the value of that portion of the portfolios' assets or liabilities denominated in currencies other than the functional currency.

The Sub-funds do not generally hedge currency exposures beyond what is required to achieve the minimum Hong Kong Dollar ("HKD") currency exposure set by the Authority. Such Sub-funds' effective HKD exposure is monitored on a daily basis, based on which additional hedges may be put in place from time to time.

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23. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (continued)

(a) Market risk (continued)

Currency risk (continued)

At the end of the reporting period the Sub-funds had the following net currency exposure:

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		cipal Asian		incipal Asian		rincipal China		ipal European		pal Hong Kong		pal Hong Kong
~		ond Fund		Equity Fund		Equity Fund		quity Fund		Bond Fund		r Savings Fund
Currency	HK\$	% of net assets		% of net assets	HK\$	% of net assets	HK\$	% of net assets	HK\$	% of net assets	HK\$	% of net assets
Australian Dollar	-	-	874,479,374	16.19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Brazilian Real	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
British Pound	-	-	71	-	-	-	435,198,174	18.95	-	-	-	-
Canadian Dollar	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Chinese Yuan	66,455	0.01	23,957,942	0.44	657,994,721	20.09	-	-	-	-	-	-
Czech Koruna	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Danish Krone	-	-	-	-	-	-	101,769,292	4.43	-	-	-	-
Euro	1,941	0.00	-	-	-	-	723,883,198	31.53	560	0.00	-	-
India Rupee	-	-	913,270,153	16.91	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Indonesia Rupiah	-	-	149,335,963	2.77	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Israeli New Sheqel	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Japanese Yen	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Malaysian Ringgit	-	-	34,367,043	0.64	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mexican Peso	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
New Zealand Dollar	-	-	24,720	0.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Norwegian Kroner	-	-	-	-	-	-	13,040,893	0.57	-	-	-	-
Philippines Peso	-	-	90,842,651	1.68	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Poland Zlotych	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Singapore Dollar	165,723	0.02	110,825,325	2.05	44,638,137	1.36	-	-	-	-	-	-
South African Rand	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
South Korean Won	-	-	678,882,132	12.57	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Swedish Krona	-	-	-	-	-	-	98,480,319	4.29	-	-	-	-
Swiss Franc	-	-	-	-	-	-	100,874,433	4.39	-	-	-	-
Taiwan Dollar	-	-	715,614,174	13.25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Thai Baht	-	-	83,962,558	1.55	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
United States Dollar	727,607,756	99.24_	465,426,865	8.62	106,348,920	3.25	29,171,522	1.27	126,151,891	3.40		-
Total value	727,841,875	99.27_	4,140,988,971	76.67	808,981,778	24.70	1,502,417,831	65.43	126,152,451	3.40		-

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(a) Market risk (continued)

Currency risk (continued)

As at 31 December 2023 (continued)

		Principal Hong Kong Equity Fund		Principal International Bond Fund		cipal International Equity Fund		cipal Pension Bond Fund	Principal U.S. Equity Fund	
Currency	HK\$	% of net assets	HK\$	% of net assets	HK\$	% of net assets	HK\$	% of net assets	HK\$	% of net assets
Australian Dollar	-	-	63,427,760	1.11	9,937,862	0.21	-	-	-	-
Brazilian Real	-	-	-	-	5,446,962	0.11	-	-	-	-
British Pound	-	-	230,641,885	4.04	313,337,971	6.59	-	-	-	-
Canadian Dollar	-	-	118,658,978	2.08	144,659,654	3.04	-	-	-	-
Chinese Yuan	546,028,895	4.69	251,200,012	4.40	-	-	-	-	-	-
Czech Koruna	-	-	78,734,382	1.38	-	-	-	-	-	-
Danish Krone	-	-	14,061,410	0.25	61,141,492	1.29	-	-	-	-
Euro	-	-	1,151,033,078	20.15	481,979,252	10.13	-	-	-	-
Hungarian Forint	-	-	16,811,270	0.29	-	-	-	-	-	-
India Rupee	-	-	-	-	59,056,746	1.24	-	-	-	-
Indonesia Rupiah	-	-	-	-	1,675,563	0.04	-	-	-	-
Israeli New Sheqel	-	-	-	-	10,842	0.00	-	-	-	-
Japanese Yen	-	-	658,506,140	11.53	389,028,748	8.18	-	-	-	-
Malaysian Ringgit	-	-	-	-	792,960	0.02	-	-	-	-
Mexican Peso	-	-	102,924,382	1.80	5,078,984	0.11	-	-	-	-
New Zealand Dollar	-	-	46,989,343	0.82	_	_	-	-	-	-
Norwegian Kroner	-	-	19,663,121	0.34	-	-	-	-	-	-
Philippines Peso	-	-	-	-	2,798,312	0.06	-	-	-	-
Poland Zlotych	-	-	48,074,791	0.84	1,453,691	0.03	-	-	-	-
Romanian Leu	-	-	112,165,043	1.96	-	-	-	-	-	-
Singapore Dollar	136,536,264	1.17	31,007,770	0.54	1,671,226	0.04	-	-	-	-
South African Rand	-	-	-	-	761,668	0.02	-	-	-	-
South Korean Won	-	-	-	-	55,996,746	1.18	-	-	-	-
Swedish Krona	-	-	642,022	0.01	42,901,515	0.90	-	-	-	-
Swiss Franc	-	-	224,762	0.00	6,896,666	0.15	-	-	-	-
Taiwan Dollar	-	-	-	-	102,458,698	2.15	-	-	-	-
Thai Baht	-	-	2,618,207	0.05	998,681	0.02	-	-	-	-
United States Dollar	354,930,579	3.05	2,712,664,523	47.49	3,009,982,027	63.29	791,812,707	99.20	6,153,970,128	98.32
Total value	1,037,495,738	8.91	5,660,048,879	99.08	4,698,066,266	98.80	791,812,707	99.20	6,153,970,128	98.32

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(a) Market risk (continued)

Currency risk (continued)

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	Principal Asian Bond Fund		nd Fund Equity Fund			rincipal China Equity Fund		ipal European quity Fund	Principal Hong Kong Bond Fund		Principal Hong Kong Dollar Savings Fund	
Currency	HK\$	% of net assets	HK\$	% of net assets	HK\$	% of net assets	HK\$	% of net assets	HK\$	% of net assets	HK\$	% of net assets
Australian Dollar	-	-	619,738,462	11.39	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Brazilian Real	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
British Pound	-	-	67	0.00	-	-	508,051,864	18.29	-	-	-	-
Canadian Dollar	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Chinese Yuan	65,109	0.01	61,582,491	1.13	689,545,126	17.81	-	-	-	-	-	-
Czech Koruna	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Danish Krone	-	-	-	-	-	-	122,618,163	4.41	-	-	-	-
Euro	1,527	0.00	-	-	-	-	865,451,450	31.16	-	-	-	-
India Rupee	_	-	787,672,247	14.48	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Indonesia Rupiah	-	-	142,871,605	2.63	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Israeli New Sheqel	_	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Japanese Yen	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Malaysian Ringgit	_	-	81,981,367	1.51	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mexican Peso	_	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
New Zealand Dollar	-	-	31,823,471	0.58	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Norwegian Kroner	_	-	-	-	-	-	36,423,396	1.31	-	-	-	-
Philippines Peso	-	-	96,810,119	1.78	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Poland Zlotych	_	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Singapore Dollar	161,630	0.04	246,089,419	4.52	19,012,627	0.49	-	-	-	-	-	-
South African Rand	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
South Korean Won	_	-	384,153,469	7.06	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Swedish Krona	-	-	-	-	-	-	80,463,707	2.90	-	-	-	-
Swiss Franc	-	-	-	-	-	-	168,161,306	6.05	-	-	-	-
Taiwan Dollar	-	-	384,358,132	7.06	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Thai Baht	_	-	149,056,502	2.74	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
United States Dollar	437,764,952	98.23_	470,197,958	8.64	121,967,158	3.15	19,782,763	0.71	68,873,521	1.26		-
Total value	437,993,218	98.28_	3,456,335,309	63.52	830,524,911	21.45	1,800,952,649	64.83	68,873,521	1.26		-

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23. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (continued)

(a) Market risk (continued)

Currency risk (continued)

As at 31 December 2022 (continued)

	Principal Hong Kong Equity Fund			pal International Bond Fund		cipal International Equity Fund		cipal Pension Bond Fund	Principal U.S. Equity Fund	
Currency	HK\$	% of net assets	HK\$	% of net assets	HK\$	% of net assets	HK\$	% of net assets	HK\$	% of net assets
Australian Dollar	-	-	72,463,710	1.42	31,533,230	0.87	-	-	-	-
Brazilian Real	-	-	-	-	5,179,731	0.14	-	-	-	-
British Pound	-	-	108,082,798	2.12	247,270,186	6.84	-	-	-	-
Canadian Dollar	-	-	112,187,340	2.20	245,263,932	6.79	-	-	-	-
Chinese Yuan	506,320,824	4.45	-	-	28,759,474	0.80	-	-	-	-
Czech Koruna	-	-	2,193,733	0.04	-	-	-	-	-	-
Danish Krone	-	-	14,041,031	0.28	62,811,011	1.74	-	-	-	-
Euro	-	-	669,602,701	13.14	275,655,540	7.63	-	-	-	-
India Rupee	-	-	-	-	8,464,328	0.23	-	-	-	-
Indonesia Rupiah	-	-	-	-	2,196,004	0.06	-	-	-	-
Israeli New Sheqel	-	-	-	-	1,244,312	0.03	-	-	-	-
Japanese Yen	-	-	434,565,917	8.53	142,399,306	3.94	-	-	-	-
Malaysian Ringgit	-	-	-	-	1,698,626	0.05	-	-	-	-
Mexican Peso	-	-	19,397,664	0.38	36,228,436	1.00	-	-	-	-
New Zealand Dollar	-	-	4,245,589	0.08	-	-	-	-	-	-
Norwegian Kroner	-	-	25,482,040	0.50	-	-	-	-	-	-
Philippines Peso	-	-	-	-	2,234,342	0.06	-	-	-	-
Poland Zlotych	-	-	29,672,518	0.58	1,119,253	0.03	-	-	-	-
Singapore Dollar	55,054,546	0.48	6,797,871	0.13	3,667,984	0.10	-	-	-	-
South African Rand	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
South Korean Won	-	-	-	-	51,990,020	1.44	-	-	-	-
Swedish Krona	-	-	7,435,462	0.15	29,535,195	0.82	-	-	-	-
Swiss Franc	-	-	13,672,214	0.27	71,376,885	1.97	-	-	-	-
Taiwan Dollar	-	-	-	-	74,129,225	2.05	-	-	-	-
Thai Baht	-	-	2,661,664	0.05	2,238,602	0.06	-	-	-	-
United States Dollar	323,892,744	2.85	3,495,290,287	68.59	2,151,499,191	59.53	2,195,879,531	98.76_	4,908,129,915	98.36
Total value	885,268,114	7.78	5,017,792,539	98.46	3,476,494,813	96.18	2,195,879,531	98.76_	4,908,129,915	98.36

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23. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (continued)

(a) Market risk (continued)

Currency risk sensitivity analysis

At 31 December 2023, had the Hong Kong dollar strengthened/(weakened) by the following % in relation to all currencies, with all other variables held constant, the net asset value of the Sub-funds and the change in net assets attributable to unitholders per the Revenue Statement would have decreased/(increased) by the amounts shown below.

		As at 31 December 2023										
		Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal
	Percentage	Asian	Asian	China	European	Hong Kong	Hong Kong	Hong Kong	International	International	Pension	U.S.
Currency	change	Bond	Equity	Equity	Equity	Bond	Dollar Savings	Equity	Bond	Equity	Bond	Equity
		Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund
		HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$
Australian Dollar	5%	-	43,723,969	-	-	-	-	-	3,171,388	496,893	-	-
Brazilian Real	5%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	272,348	-	-
British Pound	5%	-	4	-	21,759,909	-	-	-	11,532,094	15,666,899	-	-
Canadian Dollar	5%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,932,949	7,232,983	-	-
Chinese Yuan	5%	3,323	1,197,897	32,899,736	-	-	-	27,301,445	12,560,001	-	-	-
Czech Koruna	5%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,936,719	-	-	-
Danish Krone	5%	-	-	-	5,088,465	-	-	-	703,071	3,057,075	-	-
Euro	5%	97	-	-	36,194,160	28	-	-	57,551,654	24,098,963	-	-
Hungarian Forint	5%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	840,564	-	-	-
India Rupee	5%	-	45,663,508	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,952,837	-	-
Indonesia Rupiah	5%	-	7,466,798	-	-	-	-	-	-	83,778	-	-
Israeli New Sheqel	5%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	542	-	-
Japanese Yen	5%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	32,925,307	19,451,437	-	-
Malaysian Ringgit	5%	-	1,718,352	-	-	-	-	-	-	39,648	-	-
Mexican Peso	5%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,146,219	253,949	-	-
New Zealand Dollar	5%	-	1,236	-	-	-	-	-	2,349,467	-	-	-
Norwegian Kroner	5%	-	-	-	652,045	-	-	-	983,156	-	-	-
Philippines Peso	5%	-	4,542,133	-	-	-	-	-	-	139,916	-	-
Poland Zlotych	5%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,403,740	72,685	-	-
Romanian Leu	5%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,608,252	-	-	-
Singapore Dollar	5%	8,286	5,541,266	2,231,907	-	-	-	6,826,813	1,550,389	83,561	-	-
South African Rand	5%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	38,083	-	-
South Korean Won	5%	-	33,944,107	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,799,837	-	-
Swedish Krona	5%	-	-	-	4,924,016	-	-	-	32,101	2,145,076	-	-
Swiss Franc	5%	-	-	-	5,043,722	-	-	-	11,238	344,833	-	-
Taiwan Dollar	5%	-	35,780,709	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,122,935	-	-

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23. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (continued)

(a) Market risk (continued)

Currency risk sensitivity analysis (continued)

		As at 31 December 2023 (continued)											
		Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	
	Percentage	Asian	Asian	China	European	Hong Kong	Hong Kong	Hong Kong	International	International	Pension	U.S.	
Currency	change	Bond	Equity	Equity	Equity	Bond	Dollar Savings	Equity	Bond	Equity	Bond	Equity	
		Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	
		HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	
Thai Baht	5%		4,198,128						130,910	49,934			
Total		11,706	183,778,107	35,131,643	73,662,317	28	-	34,128,258	147,369,219	84,404,212	-	-	
	. 1	0.00160/	2.40200/	1.070.60/	2.20010/	0.00000/		0.20210/	2.57000/	1.77.470/			
Increase in net ass	ets value	0.0016%	3.4028%	1.0726%	3.2081%	0.0000%		0.2931%	2.5798%	1.7747%			

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23. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (continued)

(a) Market risk (continued)

Currency risk sensitivity analysis

		As at 31 December 2022										
		Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal
	Percentage	Asian	Asian	China	European	Hong Kong	Hong Kong	Hong Kong	International	International	Pension	U.S.
Currency	change	Bond	Equity	Equity	Equity	Bond	Dollar Savings	Equity	Bond	Equity	Bond	Equity
		Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund
		HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$
Australian Dollar	5%	-	30,986,923	-	-	-	-	-	3,623,186	1,576,662	-	-
Brazilian Real	5%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	258,987	-	-
British Pound	5%	-	3	-	25,402,593	-	-	-	5,404,140	12,363,509	-	-
Canadian Dollar	5%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,609,367	12,263,197	-	-
Chinese Yuan	5%	3,255	3,079,125	34,477,256	-	-	-	25,316,041	-	1,437,974	-	-
Czech Koruna	5%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	109,687	-	-	-
Danish Krone	5%	-	-	-	6,130,908	-	-	-	702,052	3,140,551	-	-
Euro	5%	76	-	-	43,272,573	-	-	-	33,480,135	13,782,777	-	-
India Rupee	5%	-	39,383,612	-	-	-	-	-	-	423,216	-	-
Indonesia Rupiah	5%	-	7,143,580	-	-	-	-	-	-	109,800	-	-
Israeli New Sheqel	5%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	62,216	-	-
Japanese Yen	5%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	21,728,296	7,119,965	-	-
Malaysian Ringgit	5%	-	4,099,068	-	-	-	-	-	-	84,931	-	-
Mexican Peso	5%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	969,883	1,811,422	-	-
New Zealand Dollar	5%	-	1,591,174	-	-	-	-	-	212,279	-	-	-
Norwegian Kroner	5%	-	-	-	1,821,170	-	-	-	1,274,102	-	-	-
Philippines Peso	5%	-	4,840,506	-	-	-	-	-	-	111,717	-	-
Poland Zlotych	5%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,483,626	55,963	-	-
Singapore Dollar	5%	8,082	12,304,471	950,631	-	-	-	2,752,727	339,894	183,399	-	-
South African Rand	5%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
South Korean Won	5%	-	19,207,673	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,599,501	-	-
Swedish Krona	5%	-	-	-	4,023,185	-	-	-	371,773	1,476,760	-	-
Swiss Franc	5%	-	-	-	8,408,065	-	-	-	683,611	3,568,844	-	-
Taiwan Dollar	5%	-	19,217,907	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,706,461	-	-

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23. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (continued)

(a) Market risk (continued)

Currency risk sensitivity analysis (continued)

						As at 31 D	ecember 2022 (c	ontinued)				
Currency	Percentage change	Principal Asian Bond Fund	Principal Asian Equity Fund	Principal China Equity Fund	Principal European Equity Fund	Principal Hong Kong Bond Fund	Principal Hong Kong Dollar Savings Fund	Principal Hong Kong Equity Fund	Principal International Bond Fund	Principal International Equity Fund	Principal Pension Bond Fund	Principal U.S. Equity Fund
Thai Baht	5%	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$133,083	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$
Total		11,413	149,306,867	35,427,887	89,058,494		========	28,068,768	76,125,114	66,249,782		-
Increase in net ass	ets value	0.0026%	2.7443%	0.9154%	3.2064%			0.2470%	1.4940%	1.8330%		

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23. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (continued)

(a) Market risk (continued)

Interest rate risk

The Sub-funds holding interest rate debt securities are exposed to interest rate risk, where the value of these securities may fluctuate as a result of changes in interest rates. In general, if interest rates rise, the income potential of the floating interest rate securities also rises but the value of fixed rate securities declines. A fall in interest rates would generally have the opposite effect. Aligning the portfolio maturity profile to that of the benchmark as described in the Manager's report and keeping deviations within certain limits is an important way of controlling relative interest rate risk. For example, if a benchmark has a duration of 5 years, the Manager may keep the portfolio duration in a range of 5 +/-2 years to control interest rate risk relative to the benchmark. The Manager is also aware of the running yield of the portfolio, in absolute and relative terms, based on which he adjusts portfolio holdings with the objective of optimizing total portfolio returns from the two sources i.e. running yield and expected price changes.

Some Sub-funds may not have internal underlying benchmarks. For such Sub-funds (especially money market type funds), the Manager may use a laddering technique to control duration risk. Such a technique involves staggering investment maturities over different time buckets to reduce reinvestment and price risk arising from interest rate changes.

The following table details the Sub-funds' exposure to interest rate risks. It includes the Sub-funds' assets and liabilities at fair values, categorised by the earlier of contractual re-pricing or maturity date measured by the carrying value of the assets and liabilities:

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23. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (continued)

(a) Market risk (continued)

Interest rate risk (continued)

As at 31 December 2023

	Principal Asian Bond Fund HK\$	Principal Asian Equity Fund HK\$	Principal China Equity Fund HK\$	Principal European Equity Fund HK\$	Principal Hong Kong Bond Fund HK\$	Principal Hong Kong Dollar Savings Fund HK\$	Principal Hong Kong Equity Fund HK\$	Principal International Bond Fund HK\$	Principal International Equity Fund HK\$	Principal Pension Bond Fund HK\$	Principal U.S. Equity Fund HK\$
Assets Cash at banks Time deposit - 1 year or less	12,010,328	177,504,625	105,936,505	83,332,523 	43,899,800	20,264,937 327,033,480 347,298,417	534,560,289	360,583,070	149,432,546	22,521,188	120,927,147
Financial assets measured at fair value through profit or loss - 1 year or less - over 1 year to 5 years - over 5 years to 10 years - over 10 years - non-interest bearing investment	48,807,389 310,270,934 258,210,625 95,735,856 ————————————————————————————————————	5,226,339,480 5,226,339,480	3,182,945,287 3,182,945,287	2,235,587,093 2,235,587,093	543,546,457 1,867,119,747 985,400,974 225,015,979 	1,660,318,357 912,523,853 - - - - 2,572,842,210	11,202,033,315 11,202,033,315	697,570,843 1,935,099,112 1,397,038,909 1,184,197,332 387,007 5,214,293,203	4,604,432,300 4,604,432,300	65,501,734 359,212,427 314,090,985 31,223,066 	6,126,351,142 6,126,351,142
Other non-interest-bearing assets	9,071,858	6,007,492 5,409,851,597	5,861,644 3,294,743,436	5,865,778 2,324,785,394	86,534,208 3,751,517,165	66,787,036 2,986,927,663	<u>43,405,592</u> <u>11,779,999,196</u>	<u>224,504,933</u> <u>5,799,381,206</u>	12,423,494 4,766,288,340	8,411,502 800,960,902	<u>27,294,485</u> 6,274,572,774
Liabilities Non-interest-bearing liabilities	921,290	8,997,883	19,280,572	28,627,583	38,711,628	12,962,221	135,830,573	86,878,729	10,212,295	2,797,018	15,667,287
Net assets attributable to unitholders	733,185,700	5,400,853,714	3,275,462,864	2,296,157,811	3,712,805,537	2,973,965,442	11,644,168,623	5,712,502,477	4,756,076,045	798,163,884	6,258,905,487

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23. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (continued)

(a) Market risk (continued)

Interest rate risk (continued)

As at 31 December 2022

	Principal Asian Bond Fund HK\$	Principal Asian Equity Fund HK\$	Principal China Equity Fund HK\$	Principal European Equity Fund HK\$	Principal Hong Kong Bond Fund HK\$	Principal Hong Kong Dollar Savings Fund HK\$	Principal Hong Kong Equity Fund HK\$	Principal International Bond Fund HK\$	Principal International Equity Fund HK\$	Principal Pension Bond Fund HK\$	Principal U.S. Equity Fund HK\$
Assets Cash at banks Time deposit - 1 year or less	28,675,231 	363,269,255 	102,651,195	65,456,124	110,556,169	43,388,997 893,362,511 936,751,508	337,471,279	157,446,138	134,427,382	99,237,639	81,230,722
Financial assets measured at fair value through profit or loss - 1 year or less - over 1 year to 5 years - over 5 years to 10 years - over 10 years - non-interest bearing investment	10,848,003 215,024,806 137,727,142 48,358,168 416,538 412,374,657	5,081,103,574 5,081,103,574	3,767,550,925 3,767,550,925	2,719,945,126 2,719,945,126	555,411,763 2,887,659,093 1,648,701,587 237,018,649 	718,709,125 1,642,654,131 - - - 2,361,363,256	11,034,449,100 11,034,449,100	955,710,209 1,356,240,501 1,273,808,731 1,343,641,749 1,827,390 4,931,228,580	3,477,959,886 3,477,959,886	67,404,723 1,078,859,822 840,617,478 119,495,240 2,106,377,263	4,900,392,009 4,900,392,009
Other non-interest-bearing assets	6,739,107	9,040,198 5,453,413,027	11,495,819 3,881,697,939	35,943,592 2,821,344,842	51,423,730 5,490,770,991	50,055,928 3,348,170,692	21,112,675 11,393,033,054	136,268,044 5,224,942,762	12,721,747 3,625,109,015	23,306,608 2,228,921,510	18,599,771 5,000,222,502
Liabilities Non-interest-bearing liabilities	2,144,004	12,757,456	11,427,122	43,846,131	14,156,313	14,896,130	27,338,940	129,394,271	10,886,584	5,547,819	10,184,556
Net assets attributable to unitholders	445,644,991	5,440,655,571	3,870,270,817	2,777,498,711	5,476,614,678	3,333,274,562	11,365,694,114	5,095,548,491	3,614,222,431	2,223,373,691	4,990,037,946

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23. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (continued)

(a) Market risk (continued)

Interest rate risk sensitivity analysis

A change of 100 basis points in interest rates as at the end of the reporting period would have changed the NAV of the respective Sub-funds and the change in net assets attributable to unitholders by the percentage shown below. The analysis was performed on the same basis for 2022.

	Principal Asian Bond Fund	Principal Asian Equity Fund	Principal China Equity Fund	Principal European Equity Fund	Principal Hong Kong Bond Fund	Principal Hong Kong Dollar Savings Fund	Principal Hong Kong Equity Fund	Principal International Bond Fund	Principal International Equity Fund	Principal Pension Bond Fund	Principal U.S. Equity Fund
As at 31 December 2023											
Increase 100 basis points in interest rate Decrease 100 basis points in interest rate	(4.07)% 4.59%	- 	- 	- 	(2.89)% 3.10%	(0.38)% 0.37%	- 	(4.95)% 5.40%	- 	(3.69)% 3.92%	-
As at 31 December 2022	Principal Asian Bond Fund	Principal Asian Equity Fund	Principal China Equity Fund	Principal European Equity Fund	Principal Hong Kong Bond Fund	Principal Hong Kong Dollar Savings Fund	Principal Hong Kong Equity Fund	Principal International Bond Fund	Principal International Equity Fund	Principal Pension Bond Fund	Principal U.S. Equity Fund
Increase 100 basis points in interest rate Decrease 100 basis points in interest rate	(3.29)%	-	- 	- 	(2.49)% 2.62%	(0.37)% 	- 	(4.70)% 5.23%	- 	(3.02)%	-

Other price risk

Other price risk is the risk that the value of a financial instrument will fluctuate as a result of changes in market prices (other than those arising from interest rate risk or currency risk), whether caused by factors specific to an individual investment (stock-specific) or its issuer, or factors affecting all instruments (generic risks) traded in the market. This risk can be mitigated by constructing a diversified portfolio of investments i.e. diversified by asset class or geographies (global vs. country specific) or both. The Manager manages such risks by regularly monitoring portfolio exposures, both on an absolute basis and relative to underlying benchmarks, if any. For example, if a Sub-fund benchmark has an exposure of x% in a particular stock and of y% in a particular country, the Manager may manage exposure to that stock in his portfolio within x+/-10% and to the country at y+/-10%. Other risks relating to liquidity, sector exposures etc. are also managed in a similar manner.

The percentage breakdown of the investment assets held by each Sub-fund has been stated in the statement of movements in portfolio holdings of the Investment Report.

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23. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (continued)

(a) Market risk (continued)

Other price risk sensitivity analysis

As at year end, the overall market exposures were as follows: a decrease in prices of all the underlying investments of each Sub-fund at the year end by the below percentages would have decreased the NAV of the respective Sub-funds and the change in net assets attributable to unitholders by the amounts shown below; an equal change in the opposite direction would have increased the NAV by an equal but opposite amount. The analysis for 2022 was performed by applying the same percentage change in prices of all the underlying investments as at year end.

As at 31 December 2023

	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal
	Asian	Asian	China	European	Hong Kong	Hong Kong	Hong Kong	International	International	Pension	U.S.
	Bond	Equity	Equity	Equity	Bond	Dollar Savings	Equity	Bond	Equity	Bond	Equity
	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund
	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$
Overall market exposure		5,226,339,480					11,202,033,315			, ,	6,126,351,142
% change in prices	10%	10%	10%	10%	10%	10%	10%	10%	10%	10%	10%
Change in NAV	71,302,480	522,633,948	318,294,529	222,657,513	362,108,316	257,284,221	1,120,203,332	521,390,620	460,443,230	77,002,821	612,635,114
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As at 31 December 2022											
As at 31 December 2022											
As at 31 December 2022	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal	Principal
As at 31 December 2022	Principal Asian	Principal Asian	Principal China	Principal European	1	1	1	Principal International	Principal International	Principal Pension	Principal U.S.
As at 31 December 2022		Asian	China	European	Principal Hong Kong Bond	Hong Kong	Hong Kong	_	International	1	U.S.
As at 31 December 2022	Asian	•		-	Hong Kong	1	Hong Kong	International	•	Pension	-
As at 31 December 2022	Asian Bond	Asian Equity Fund	China Equity	European Equity	Hong Kong Bond	Hong Kong Dollar Savings	Hong Kong Equity Fund	International Bond	International Equity	Pension Bond Fund	U.S. Equity
As at 31 December 2022	Asian Bond Fund	Asian Equity	China Equity Fund	European Equity Fund	Hong Kong Bond Fund	Hong Kong Dollar Savings Fund	Hong Kong Equity Fund	International Bond Fund	International Equity Fund	Pension Bond	U.S. Equity Fund
Overall market exposure	Asian Bond Fund HK\$	Asian Equity Fund	China Equity Fund HK\$	European Equity Fund HK\$	Hong Kong Bond Fund HK\$	Hong Kong Dollar Savings Fund HK\$	Hong Kong Equity Fund HK\$	International Bond Fund HK\$	International Equity Fund	Pension Bond Fund HK\$	U.S. Equity Fund HK\$
	Asian Bond Fund HK\$	Asian Equity Fund HK\$	China Equity Fund HK\$	European Equity Fund HK\$	Hong Kong Bond Fund HK\$	Hong Kong Dollar Savings Fund HK\$	Hong Kong Equity Fund HK\$	International Bond Fund HK\$	International Equity Fund HK\$	Pension Bond Fund HK\$	U.S. Equity Fund HK\$
Overall market exposure	Asian Bond Fund HK\$	Asian Equity Fund HK\$ 5,081,103,574	China Equity Fund HK\$	European Equity Fund HK\$ 2,714,351,405 10%	Hong Kong Bond Fund HK\$ 5,328,791,092	Hong Kong Dollar Savings Fund HK\$ 2,361,363,256 10%	Hong Kong Equity Fund HK\$ 11,034,449,100	International Bond Fund HK\$ 4,929,401,190	International Equity Fund HK\$ 3,477,959,886	Pension Bond Fund HK\$ 2,106,377,263	U.S. Equity Fund HK\$

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23. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (continued)

(b) Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk that a counterparty to a financial instrument will fail to discharge an obligation or commitment to pay amounts due on time. The Sub-funds' Manager has a credit review process in place. This ensures review and monitoring of credit quality and credit risk exposure on an ongoing basis, which helps protect portfolios from anticipated negative credit events. The Manager performs this review on a regular basis. The Sub-funds' credit risk is also mitigated through diversification and control of exposure to any single issuer in the Sub-fund.

The carrying amounts of financial assets best represent the maximum credit risk exposure at the year end date. At the end of the reporting period, each Sub-funds' financial assets exposure to credit risk is equivalent to the amounts shown on the statement of financial position.

Credit risk arising on debt securities is mitigated by investing primarily in rated securities or securities issued by rated counterparties of minimum credit ratings stipulated by the Authority ("BBB-"/"A-2" by S&P or equivalent ratings by other rating agencies). Additionally, there is a risk of downgrading of securities i.e. securities ratings getting downgraded by rating agencies which may cause the value of the securities to drop significantly. Typically, in instances where a holding's credit rating of an investment falls below the above minimum ratings, the Manager will dispose of it as soon as practical.

At the end of the reporting period, the Sub-funds invested in debt securities with the following credit quality expressed as a percentage of net assets:

As at 31 December 2023

		%	of net assets		
	Princiapl	Princiapl	Princiapl	Princiapl	Princiapl
	Asian	Hong Kong	Hong Kong	International	Pension
	Bond	Bond L	Pollar Savings	Bond	Bond
Rating	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund
Aaa/AAA	2.04	1.08	0.00	28.02	2.31
Aa1/AA+	3.27	14.86	4.90	0.88	0.00
Aa2/AA	10.24	0.00	7.66	1.27	1.65
Aa3/AA-	3.10	22.30	16.81	10.87	0.50
A1/A+	13.32	20.21	14.58	18.95	14.66
A2/A	10.85	7.04	15.89	0.90	5.04
A3/A-	10.90	16.92	21.89	5.58	17.35
Baa1/BBB+	7.21	0.00	0.00	9.56	17.73
Baa2/BBB	27.09	0.00	0.00	7.57	25.54
Baa3/BBB-	9.23	0.00	0.00	7.67	11.69
Certificate of deposits					
without credit rating	0.00	15.12	4.78	0.00	0.00
Total	97.25	97.53	86.51	91.27	96.47

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23. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (continued)

(b) Credit risk (continued)

As at 31 December 2022

_	% of net assets								
	Princiapl	Princiapl	Princiapl	Princiapl	Princiapl				
	Asian	Hong Kong	Hong Kong	International	Pension				
	Bond	Bond L	Pollar Savings	Bond	Bond				
Rating	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund				
Aaa/AAA	9.69	0.36	0.00	47.99	1.13				
Aa1/AA+	0.73	12.65	5.53	0.67	0.00				
Aa2/AA	6.22	1.00	5.75	4.05	3.50				
Aa3/AA-	1.23	21.22	11.24	5.05	0.74				
A1/A+	13.45	23.27	21.20	12.43	10.27				
A2/A	11.34	12.96	12.36	3.88	9.40				
A3/A-	8.23	16.43	11.11	3.98	12.77				
Baa1/BBB+	10.69	0.00	0.00	6.65	17.03				
Baa2/BBB	20.26	0.00	0.00	8.53	27.05				
Baa3/BBB-	10.60	0.00	0.00	3.51	12.85				
Certificate of deposits									
without credit rating	0.00	9.41	3.65	0.00	0.00				
Total	92.44	97.30	70.84	96.74	94.74				

Apart from the above Sub-funds, the other Sub-funds did not invest in any debt securities.

Credit risk arising on transactions with brokers relates to transactions awaiting settlement. Risk relating to unsettled transactions is considered small due to the short settlement period involved and the good credit quality of the brokers used. The Manager monitors the credit rating and financial positions of the brokers used to further mitigate this risk.

Substantially all the cash at banks held by the Sub-funds are placed with reputable financial institutions. The Trustee monitors the risk by monitoring the credit rating and financial positions of these financial institutions on a regular basis. If the credit quality or the financial position of these financial institutions deteriorates significantly, the Trustee will move the cash balances to another financial institution.

Substantially all the securities of the Sub-funds are held by Citibank, N.A., as the sub-custodian of the Sub-funds. Bankruptcy or insolvency of the custodian may cause the Sub-funds' rights with respect to securities held by the custodian to be delayed or limited. The Trustee monitors its risk by monitoring the credit quality and financial positions of the custodian.

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23. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (continued)

(b) Credit risk (continued)

Financial assets subject to HKFRS 9's impairment requirements

The Sub-funds' financial assets subject to the expected credit loss model within HKFRS 9 are only short-term trade receivables, other receivables and cash at banks. At 31 December 2023, the total of short-term trade receivables, other receivables and cash at banks was HK\$2,454,174,460 on which no loss allowance had been provided (31 December 2022: total of HK\$2,793,879,861 on which no loss allowance had been provided). There is not considered to be any concentration of credit risk within these assets. No assets are considered impaired and no amounts have been written off in the period.

All trade receivables are expected to be received in three months or less. An amount is considered to be in default if it has not been received 30 days after it is due.

As trade receivables are impacted by the HKFRS 9 ECL model, the Sub-funds have adopted the simplified approach. The loss allowance is therefore based on lifetime ECLs.

In calculating the loss allowance, a provision matrix has been used based on historical observed loss rates over the expected life of the receivables adjusted for forward-looking estimates. Items have been grouped by their nature into the following categories: interest and dividend receivables; amounts receivable from brokers; amounts receivable on subscriptions.

Financial assets not subject to HKFRS 9's impairment requirements

The Sub-funds are exposed to credit risk on debt instruments, money market funds and similar securities and derivative assets. These classes of financial assets are not subject to HKFRS 9's impairment requirements as they are measured at FVPL. The carrying value of these assets, under HKFRS 9 represents the Sub-funds' maximum exposure to credit risk on financial instruments not subject to the HKFRS 9 impairment requirements on the respective reporting dates. Hence, no separate maximum exposure to credit risk disclosure is provided for these instruments.

(c) Liquidity risk

The Sub-funds are exposed to daily liquidity risk on redemptions of units. This arises from the risk that the Manager may not be able to convert investments into cash to meet liquidity needs in a timely manner. To guard against this risk, stock selection considerations include analysis of factors like daily trading volumes, bid-offer spreads, availability of prices from brokers at short notice. The Sub-funds' financial instruments include mainly investments in listed equity securities and quoted debt securities. They are mainly traded either on stock exchanges or over-the-counter markets and are generally liquid. As a result, in most situations, the Sub-funds should be able to reasonably quickly liquidate their investments in these instruments at close to their fair values in order to meet the liquidity requirements. Under extreme market conditions, liquidation of instruments may have to be done at lower prices.

The Sub-funds are not exposed to other activities which give rise to significant liquidity risk.

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23. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (continued)

(d) Specific instruments

Derivatives

The Sub-funds may not enter into any financial futures contracts or financial options contracts. The Manager currently does not undertake any derivatives transactions, except those permitted under the rules of the Authority, i.e. trading in forward contracts for hedging purpose.

As at 31 December 2023

As at the year end, the holdings in derivatives translated into the currencies were listed in the table below:

Investment fund	Type of contract	Expiration	Underlying	Notional amount of contracts outstanding HK\$	Fair value HK\$
Issuer: Australia and I	New Zealand Bar	nking Group Lin	nited		
Principal European	Currency	January	Buy HKD/		
Equity Fund	forward	2024	sell EUR	453,140,197	(11,209,304)
Principal European	Currency	January	Buy HKD/		
Equity Fund	forward	2024	sell EUR	9,121,180	(231,242)
Principal European	Currency	January	Buy EUR/		
Equity Fund	forward	2024	sell HKD	12,026,265	380,477
Principal European	Currency	January	Buy EUR/		
Equity Fund	forward	2024	sell HKD	29,052,617	1,198,556
Principal European	Currency	January	Buy EUR/		
Equity Fund	forward	2024	sell HKD	41,556,609	940,775
Principal European	Currency	January	Buy EUR/		
Equity Fund	forward	2024	sell HKD	7,548,861	356,084
Principal European	Currency	January	Buy EUR/		
Equity Fund	forward	2024	sell HKD	8,048,580	202,686
Principal European	Currency	January	Buy HKD/		
Equity Fund	forward	2024	sell GBP	10,075,332	(41,639)
Principal European	Currency	January	Buy GBP/		
Equity Fund	forward	2024	sell HKD	13,393,010	79,730
Principal European	Currency	January	Buy USD/		
Equity Fund	forward	2024	sell HKD	9,343,045	(12,787)
Principal European	Currency	January	Buy USD/		
Equity Fund	forward	2024	sell HKD	14,206,351	(5,266)
Principal European	Currency	January	Buy USD/		
Equity Fund	forward	2024	sell HKD	14,854,825	(19,572)
Principal European	Currency	January	Buy USD/		
Equity Fund	forward	2024	sell HKD	7,763,804	(8,542)
Principal European	Currency	January	Buy HKD/		
Equity Fund	forward	2024	sell USD	12,552,072	2,338

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23. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (continued)

(d) Specific instruments (continued)

Derivatives (continued)

As at 31 December 2023 (continued)

Investment fund	Type of contract	Expiration	Underlying	Notional amount of contracts outstanding HK\$	Fair value HK\$
Issuer: Royal Bank of	Canada				
Principal European Equity Fund Principal European	Currency forward Currency	January 2024 January	Buy HKD/ sell GBP Buy GBP/	249,717,829	(3,719,805)
Equity Fund Principal European	forward Currency	2024 January	sell HKD Buy HKD/	20,347,180	301,993
Equity Fund	forward	2024	sell USD	36,418,248	8,392
Issuer: State Street Ba	ank and Trust Co	ompany			
Principal European	Currency	January	Buy HKD/		
Equity Fund	forward	2024	sell CHF	93,459,288	(3,981,442)
Principal European	Currency	January	Buy CHF/		
Equity Fund	forward	2024	sell HKD	24,708,384	1,775,930
Principal European	Currency	January	Buy CHF/		
Equity Fund	forward	2024	sell HKD	7,914,866	393,568
Principal European	Currency	January	Buy CHF/		
Equity Fund	forward	2024	sell HKD	8,873,504	374,647
Principal European	Currency	January	Buy HKD/		
Equity Fund	forward	2024	sell DKK	58,792,668	(1,377,849)
Principal European	Currency	January	Buy HKD/		
Equity Fund	forward	2024	sell EUR	7,267,830	(240,871)
Principal European	Currency	January	Buy HKD/		
Equity Fund	forward	2024	sell EUR	7,631,185	(97,638)
Principal European	Currency	January	Buy HKD/		
Equity Fund	forward	2024	sell EUR	9,557,688	(217,040)
Principal European	Currency	January	Buy HKD/		
Equity Fund	forward	2024	sell EUR	9,752,227	(96,661)
Principal European	Currency	January	Buy EUR/		
Equity Fund	forward	2024	sell HKD	34,969,755	857,267
Principal European	Currency	January	Buy HKD/		
Equity Fund	forward	2024	sell GBP	14,324,086	(550,472)
Principal European	Currency	January	Buy HKD/		
Equity Fund	forward	2024	sell GBP	8,441,550	(213,622)

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23. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (continued)

(d) Specific instruments (continued)

Derivatives (continued)

As at 31 December 2023 (continued)

Investment fund	Type of contract	Expiration	Underlying	Notional amount of contracts outstanding HK\$	Fair value HK\$
Issuer: State Street Bar	nk and Trust Co	mpany (continue	d)		
Principal European	Currency	January	Buy GBP/		
Equity Fund	forward	2024	sell HKD	9,713,075	470,258
Principal European	Currency	January	Buy GBP/		
Equity Fund	forward	2024	sell HKD	17,535,205	346,826
Principal European	Currency	January	Buy GBP/		
Equity Fund	forward	2024	sell HKD	7,418,200	85,204
Principal European	Currency	January	Buy NOK/		
Equity Fund	forward	2024	sell HKD	7,967,611	399,503
Principal European	Currency	January	Buy SEK/		
Equity Fund	forward	2024	sell HKD	8,548,262	831,827
Principal European	Currency	January	Buy HKD/		
Equity Fund	forward	2024	sell USD	10,000,000	2,945
Principal European	Currency	January	Buy HKD/		
Equity Fund	forward	2024	sell NOK	17,578,510	(971,441)
Principal European	Currency	January	Buy HKD/		
Equity Fund	forward	2024	sell SEK	46,472,986	(4,507,045)
Principal European	Currency	January	Buy HKD/		
Equity Fund	forward	2024	sell USD	8,254,398	2,962
Assets/(Liabilities)					(18,490,270)
Net asset values % of Net asset values					2,296,157,811 (0.81)

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23. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (continued)

(d) Specific instruments (continued)

Derivatives (continued)

As at 31 December 2023 (continued)

Investment fund	Type of contract	Expiration	Underlying	Notional amount of contracts outstanding HK\$	Fair value HK\$
Issuer: Australia and N	lew Zealand Ba	nking Group Lin	nited		
Principal International	Currency	March	Buy USD/		
Bond Fund	forward	2024	sell AUD	37,446,297	57,470
Principal International	Currency	March	Buy USD/		
Bond Fund	forward	2024	sell CNH	82,435,757	(274,979)
Principal International	Currency	March	Buy USD/		
Bond Fund	forward	2024	sell GBP	48,896,342	(894,927)
Principal International	Currency	March	Buy USD/		
Bond Fund	forward	2024	sell JPY	38,400,427	(858,337)
Principal International	Currency	March	Buy JPY/		
Bond Fund	forward	2024	sell USD	38,771,249	175,187
Principal International	Currency	March	Buy USD/	72 700 200	(1.574.044)
Bond Fund	forward	2024	sell NZD	72,598,290	(1,574,844)
Issuer: Barclays Bank					
Principal International	Currency	March	Buy USD/		
Bond Fund	forward	2024	sell CAD	59,259,720	(24,757)
Principal International	Currency	March	Buy USD/		
Bond Fund	forward	2024	sell EUR	85,969,914	(570,811)
Principal International	Currency	March	Buy GBP/		
Bond Fund	forward	2024	sell USD	49,771,600	(168,055)
Principal International	Currency	March	Buy USD/		
Bond Fund	forward	2024	sell NOK	57,925,097	154,350
Assets/(liabilities)					(3,979,703)
Net asset values % of Net asset values					5,712,502,477 (0.07)

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23. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (continued)

(d) Specific instruments (continued)

Derivatives (continued)

As at 31 December 2022

As at the year end, the holdings in derivatives translated into the currencies were listed in the table below:

Principal Asian Currency January Buy USD Sond Fund forward 2023 sell CNH 298,519 2,586	Investment fund	Type of contract	Expiration	Underlying	Notional amount of contracts outstanding HK\$	Fair value HK\$
Bond Fund	Issuer: Australia and	New Zealand Bar	nking Group Lin	nited		
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23. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (continued)

(d) Specific instruments (continued)

Derivatives (continued)

As at 31 December 2022 (continued)

Investment fund	Type of contract	Expiration	Underlying	Notional amount of contracts outstanding HK\$	Fair value HK\$
Issuer: Royal Bank of	Canada				
Principal European	Currency	March	Buy HKD/		
Equity Fund	forward	2023	sell SEK	43,113,125	370,132
Principal European	Currency	March	Buy HKD/		
Equity Fund	forward	2023	sell DKK	57,961,340	(714,564)
Principal European	Currency	March	Buy HKD/		
Equity Fund	forward	2023	sell NOK	28,844,518	(391,623)
Principal European	Currency	March	Buy HKD/		
Equity Fund	forward	2023	sell CHF	88,447,479	(617,127)
Principal European	Currency	March	Buy HKD/		
Equity Fund	forward	2023	sell USD	29,468,118	(35,736)
Issuer: State Street Ban	nk and Trust Co	ompany			
Principal European	Currency	March	Buy HKD/		
Equity Fund	forward	2023	sell GBP	245,373,009	5,131,605
Principal European	Currency	March	Buy USD/		
Equity Fund	forward	2023	sell HKD	1,175,544	14,470
Principal European	Currency	March	Buy USD/		
Equity Fund	forward	2023	sell HKD	1,297,493	7,231
Principal European	Currency	March	Buy HKD/		
Equity Fund	forward	2023	sell GBP	19,026,541	(13,604)
Principal European	Currency	March	Buy HKD/		
Equity Fund	forward	2023	sell DKK	9,568,717	(3,629)
					
Assets/(Liabilities)					(1,474,951)
Net asset values % of Net asset values					2,777,498,711 (0.05)

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23. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (continued)

(d) Specific instruments (continued)

Derivatives (continued)

As at 31 December 2022 (continued)

	Type of			Notional amount of contracts				
Investment fund	contract	Expiration	Underlying	outstanding HK\$	Fair value HK\$			
Issuer: Australia and New Zealand Banking Group Limited								
Principal International	Currency	March	Buy USD/					
Bond Fund	forward	2023	sell GBP	9,780,520	1,095,914			
Principal International	Currency	March	Buy USD/					
Bond Fund	forward	2023	sell CAD	3,673,718	(143,900)			
Principal International	Currency	March	Buy USD/					
Bond Fund	forward	2023	sell GBP	7,323,780	731,476			
Principal International	Currency	March	Buy JPY/					
Bond Fund	forward	2023	sell USD	500,000,000	(617)			
Principal International	Currency	March	Buy GBP/					
Bond Fund	forward	2023	sell USD	4,000,000	(404,514)			
Issuer: Royal Bank of Ca	anada							
Principal International	Currency	March	Buy USD/					
Bond Fund	forward	2023	sell JPY	12,233,550	(2,995,408)			
Principal International	Currency	March	Buy USD/					
Bond Fund	forward	2023	sell EUR	6,666,276	(691,343)			
Assets/(liabilities)					(2,408,392)			
Net asset values % of Net asset values					5,095,548,491 (0.04)			

24. APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Trustee and Manager on 26 April 2024.



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Independent auditor's assurance report

To the Trustee of Principal Asian Bond Fund, Principal Asian Equity Fund, Principal China Equity Fund, Principal European Equity Fund, Principal Hong Kong Bond Fund, Principal Hong Kong Dollar Savings Fund, Principal Hong Kong Equity Fund, Principal International Bond Fund, Principal International Equity Fund, Principal Pension Bond Fund and Principal U.S. Equity Fund (Sub-funds of Principal Life Style Fund, an open-ended unit trust established as an umbrella fund under the laws of Hong Kong)

We have audited the financial statements of Principal Asian Bond Fund, Principal Asian Equity Fund, Principal China Equity Fund, Principal European Equity Fund, Principal Hong Kong Bond Fund, Principal Hong Kong Dollar Savings Fund, Principal Hong Kong Equity Fund, Principal International Bond Fund, Principal International Equity Fund, Principal Pension Bond Fund and Principal U.S. Equity Fund (each a separate sub-fund of Principal Life Style Fund and referred to individually or collectively as the "Sub-funds") for the year ended 31 December 2023 in accordance with Hong Kong Standards on Auditing and with reference to Practice Note 860.1 (Revised), *The Audit of Retirement Schemes* ("PN 860.1") issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants ("HKICPA"), and have issued an unqualified auditor's report thereon dated 26 April 2024.

Pursuant to Guidelines II.5 and Code on MPF Investment Funds issued by the Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes Authority (the "Authority"), we are required to report whether the Sub-funds complied with certain requirements of the Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes Ordinance (the "Ordinance") and the Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes (General) Regulation (the "General Regulation"), which are made applicable to the Sub-funds through the Code on MPF Investment Funds.

Trustee and the Manager's Responsibility

The General Regulation requires the trustee and the manager to ensure that:

- (a) proper accounting and other records are kept in respect of the Sub-funds' assets and all financial transactions entered into in relation to the Sub-funds;
- (b) the requirements specified in the guidelines made by the Authority under section 28 of the Ordinance with respect to forbidden investment practices and the requirements of sections 37(2), 51 and 52 of, and Schedule 1 to, the General Regulation, which are made applicable to the Sub-funds through the Code on MPF Investment Funds, are complied with; and
- (c) the Sub-funds' assets are not subject to any encumbrance, otherwise than as permitted by section 65 of the General Regulation.



Independent auditor's assurance report (continued)

To the Trustee of Principal Asian Bond Fund, Principal Asian Equity Fund, Principal China Equity Fund, Principal European Equity Fund, Principal Hong Kong Bond Fund, Principal Hong Kong Dollar Savings Fund, Principal Hong Kong Equity Fund, Principal International Bond Fund, Principal International Equity Fund, Principal Pension Bond Fund and Principal U.S. Equity Fund (Sub-funds of Principal Life Style Fund, an open-ended unit trust established as an umbrella fund under the laws of Hong Kong)

Our Independence and Quality Management

We have complied with the independence and other ethical requirements of the *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants* issued by the HKICPA, which is founded on fundamental principles of integrity, objectivity, professional competence and due care, confidentiality and professional behavior.

Our firm applies Hong Kong Standard on Quality Management 1, which requires that we design, implement and operate a system of quality management including policies or procedures regarding compliance with ethical requirements, professional standards and applicable legal and regulatory requirements.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to report on the Sub-funds' compliance with the above requirements based on the results of the procedures performed by us.

We conducted our engagement in accordance with Hong Kong Standard on Assurance Engagements 3000 (Revised), Assurance Engagements Other Than Audits or Reviews of Historical Financial Information and with reference to Practice Note 860.1 (Revised), The Audit of Retirement Schemes issued by the HKICPA. We have planned and performed our work to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the Sub-funds have complied with the above requirements.

We have planned and performed such procedures as we considered necessary with reference to the procedures recommended in PN 860.1 (Revised), which included reviewing, on a test basis, evidence obtained from the Trustee regarding the Sub-funds' compliance with the above requirements.

We believe that the evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.



Independent auditor's assurance report (continued)

To the Trustee of Principal Asian Bond Fund, Principal Asian Equity Fund, Principal China Equity Fund, Principal European Equity Fund, Principal Hong Kong Bond Fund, Principal Hong Kong Dollar Savings Fund, Principal Hong Kong Equity Fund, Principal International Bond Fund, Principal International Equity Fund, Principal Pension Bond Fund and Principal U.S. Equity Fund (Sub-funds of Principal Life Style Fund, an open-ended unit trust established as an umbrella fund under the laws of Hong Kong)

Opinion

Based on the foregoing:

- 1. in our opinion:
 - (a) proper accounting and other records have been kept during the year ended 31 December 2023 in respect of the Sub-funds' assets and all financial transactions entered into in relation to the Sub-funds; and
 - (b) the requirements specified in the guidelines made by the Authority under section 28 of the Ordinance with respect to forbidden investment practices and the requirements of sections 37(2), 51 and 52 of, and Schedule 1 to, the General Regulation, which are made applicable to the Sub-funds through the Code on MPF Investment Funds, have been complied with, in all material respects, as at 31 December 2023, 30 June 2023, and 31 March 2023:
- 2. as at 31 December 2023, the assets of the Sub-funds were not subject to any encumbrance, otherwise than as permitted by section 65 of the General Regulation, which are made applicable to the Sub-funds through the Code on MPF Investments Funds.

Intended Users and Purpose

This report is intended solely for submission by the trustee and the manager to the Authority and is not intended to be, and should not be, used by anyone for any other purpose.

Certified Public Accountants

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Hong Kong 26 April 2024