OUTVEST PROVIDENT PRESERVATION FUND FINANCIAL SECTOR CONDUCT AUTHORITY REGISTRATION NUMBER 12/8/38214

ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS IN TERMS OF SECTION 15 OF THE PENSION FUNDS ACT NO 24. 1956

FOR THE FINANCIAL REPORTING PERIOD ENDED 30 JUNE 2024

# OUTVEST PROVIDENT PRESERVATION FUND

#### **ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

#### For the financial reporting period ended 30 June 2024

| Financial Sector Conduct Authority registration number | 12/8/38214 |
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| South African Revenue Service approval number:         | 7040808265 |

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\*Not subject to any engagement by an auditor

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**Regulatory Information** For the period ended 30 June 2024

#### **Registered office of the Fund**

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|--|--|
| Postal address:  | Physical address:  |
| PO Box 8443  | 1241 Embankment Road   |
| Centurion  | Zwatrkop Ext 7   |
| 0046   | Centurion  |
| South Africa   | 0157   |
|  | South Africa   |
|  |  |
| (Changed to PO Box 787240, Sandton, 2146 on 01<br>July 2024) | (Changed to 115 West Street, Sandown, 2196 on 01<br>July 2024) |
|  |  |
| July 2024)   |  |
| July 2024)<br>Financial reporting periods                    | July 2024)   |

| Email address                 | Capacity  | Date<br>appointed<br>or re- Date<br>appointed resigned   |
|-------------------------------|---|--|
| Member                        |   |  |
| vuyo.memani_sedile@icloud.com | Board Member  | 01/07/2021   |
| cheryl.mestern@petalon.co.za  | Chairperson   | 01/07/2024   |
| sandy.oberholzer@gmail.com    | Board Member  | 01/06/2020   |
| nber                          |   |  |
| esilvae@alexforbes.com        | Board Member  | 01/02/2024   |
| prinsloom2@alexforbes.com     | Board Member  | 01/02/2024   |
| pretoriusle@out.co.za         | Board Member  | 01/07/2021 01/02/2024  |
| vanderwattm@out.co.za         | Board Member<br>Board Member  | 01/06/2020 01/02/2024<br>01/09/2023  |
|                               | Member<br>vuyo.memani_sedile@icloud.com<br>cheryl.mestern@petalon.co.za<br>sandy.oberholzer@gmail.com<br>mber<br>esilvae@alexforbes.com<br>prinsloom2@alexforbes.com<br>pretoriusle@out.co.za | Member       vuyo.memani_sedile@icloud.com       Board Member         cheryl.mestern@petalon.co.za       Chairperson         sandy.oberholzer@gmail.com       Board Member         mber       esilvae@alexforbes.com       Board Member         prinsloom2@alexforbes.com       Board Member         pretoriusle@out.co.za       Board Member         vanderwattm@out.co.za       Board Member |

# Governance note: schedule of meetings held by the Board of Fund in terms of the Rules of the Fund

| Meeting date | e Place of meeting | Quorum<br>(yes/no) |
|--------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| 13/09/2023   | Hybrid             | Yes                |
| 29/11/2023   | Hybrid             | Yes                |
| 07/12/2023   | Hybrid             | Yes                |
| 19/02/2024   | Hybrid             | Yes                |
| 28/05/2024   | Hybrid             | Yes                |

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#### **Regulatory Information**

For the period ended 30 June 2024

#### **Fund Officers**

#### **Principal Officer** Name: M De Klerk Postal address: Physical address: PO Box 8443 1241 Embankment Road Centurion Zwartkop Ext 7 0046 Centurion 0157 Telephone number: +27 (0)12 749 5621 Email address: deklerkma@alexforbes.com Date appointed: 11/07/2019 **Professional service providers**

# Valuator

Name: Qualifications: Organisation:

Postal address: P O Box 413266 Craighall 2024 South Africa C Hendriks BSc (Hons), FASSA, FIA SNG ARGEN Actuarial Solutions Proprietary Limited

> Physical address: Ground floor Edinburgh Gate Hyde Lane Hyde Park 2024 South Africa

Telephone number: Email address: Date appointed: +27 (0)11 441 2700 chendriks@sng-argen.com 11/07/2019

#### Auditors

Full name: Qualifications: PricewaterhouseCoopers Inc. Registered Auditor

Postal address: Private Bag X36 Sunninghill 2157 South Africa Physical address: 4 Lisbon Lane Waterfall City Jukskei View 2090 South Africa

Telephone number: Email address: Date appointed: +27 (0)11 797 4000 johannes.grove@pwc.com 11/07/2019

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| Benefit administrator                          |  |
|--|--|
| Full name:                                     | OUTvest Proprietary Limited                              |
| Section 13B registration number:               | 24/786   |
| Postal address:<br>P O Box 8443                | Physical address:<br>1241 Embankment Road                |
| Centurion                                      | Zwartkop Ext 7   |
| 0046   | Centurion  |
| South Africa                                   | 0157<br>South Africa                                     |
| Telephone number:                              | +27(0)86 068 8387<br>11/07/2019                          |
| Date appointed:                                | 11/07/2019   |
| Investment administrator                       |  |
| Full name:<br>FAIS registration number:        | Coreshares Asset Management Proprietary Limited<br>46695 |
| Postal address:                                | Physical address:  |
| P O Box 78011                                  | 4th Floor, Grindrod Tower                                |
| Sandton<br>2145                                | 8A Protea Place<br>Sandton                               |
| South Africa                                   | 2146   |
|  | South Africa   |
| Telephone number:                              | +27 (0)11 459 1866                                       |
| Investment administrator                       |  |
| Full name:<br>FAIS registration number:        | Granate Asset Management Proprietary Limited<br>46189    |
| Postal address:                                | Physical address:  |
| 2nd Floor , Josophine Mill<br>13 Boundary Road | 2nd Floor , Josophine Mill<br>13 Boundary Road           |
| Newlands                                       | Newlands   |
| 7700   | 7700   |
| South Africa                                   | South Africa   |
| Telephone number:                              | +27 (0)21 276 3450                                       |

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| Investment advisor<br>Full name:                                     | Alexforbes Invest Proprietary Limited   |
|--|---|
| FAIS registration number:  | 47234   |
| Postal address:<br>P O Box 787240<br>Sandton<br>2146<br>South Africa | Physical address:<br>Alexander Forbes<br>115 West Street<br>Sandown<br>2196<br>South Africa |
| Telephone number:<br>Date appointed:                                 | +27 (0)11 269 0000<br>11/07/2019  |
| Custodian/Nominee  |   |
| Full name:<br>FSP approval number:                                   | Alexforbes Invest Nominees RF Proprietary Limited<br>47234                                  |
| Postal address:<br>P O Box 787240<br>Sandton<br>2146<br>South Africa | Physical address:<br>Alexander Forbes<br>115 West Street<br>Sandown<br>2196<br>South Africa |
| Telephone number:  | +27 (0)11 269 0000  |

#### SCHEDULE B **OUTVEST PROVIDENT PRESERVATION FUND** Registration number: 12/8/38214

## Statement of Responsibility by the Board of Fund

For the period ended 30 June 2024

#### Responsibilities

The Board of Fund hereby confirms to the best of their knowledge and belief that, during the period under review, in the execution of their duties they have complied with the duties imposed by the Pension Funds Act of South Africa and the Rules of the Fund, including the following:

- ensured that proper registers, books and records of the operations of the Fund were kept, inclusive of proper minutes of all resolutions passed by the Board of Fund;
- ensured that proper internal control systems were employed by or on behalf of the Fund:
- ensured that adequate and appropriate information was communicated to the members of the Fund. informing them of their rights, benefits and duties in terms of the Rules of the Fund:
- took all reasonable steps to ensure that contributions, where applicable, were paid timeously to the Fund or reported where necessary in accordance with Section 13A and FSCA Conduct Standard 1 of 2022 (RF): Requirements related to the payment of pension fund contributions ("Conduct Standard") of the Pension Funds Act of South Africa;
- obtained expert advice on matters where they lacked sufficient expertise;
- ensured that the Rules and the operation and administration of the Fund complied with the Pension Funds Act of South Africa and all applicable legislation;
- ensured that fidelity cover was maintained and that this cover was deemed adequate and in compliance with the Rules of the Fund; and
- ensured that investments of the Fund were implemented and maintained in accordance with the Fund's investment strategy.

#### Approval of the annual financial statements

The annual financial statements of OUTvest Provident Preservation Fund are the responsibility of the Board of Fund. The Board of Fund fulfils this responsibility by ensuring the implementation and maintenance of accounting systems and practices adequately supported by internal financial controls. These controls, which are implemented and executed by the Fund and/or its benefit administrator, provide reasonable assurance that:

- the Fund's assets are safeguarded:
- transactions are properly authorised and executed; and
- the financial records are reliable.

The annual financial statements set out on pages 13 to 32 have been prepared for regulatory purposes in accordance with the Regulatory Reporting Requirements for Retirement Funds in South Africa, the Rules of the Fund and the Pension Funds Act of South Africa.

These annual financial statements have been reported on by the independent auditors, PricewaterhouseCoopers Inc., who were given unrestricted access to all financial records and related data, including minutes of all relevant meetings. The Board of Fund believes that all representations made to the independent auditors in the management representation letter during their audit were valid and appropriate. The report of the independent auditors is presented on pages 10 to 12.

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#### Statement of Responsibility by the Board of Fund

For the period ended 30 June 2024

#### Instances of non-compliance

We are not aware of instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations, including the provisions of laws and regulations that determine the reported amounts and disclosures in the annual financial statements.

These annual financial statements:

#### 20 November 2024

- were approved by the Board of Fund on \_\_\_\_
- are, to the best of the Board members' knowledge and belief, confirmed to be complete and correct;
- fairly represent the net assets of the Fund as at 30 June 2024 as well as the results of its activities for the period then ended; and
- are signed on behalf of the Board of Fund by:

C Mestern Chairperson Sandton

20 November 2024 Date:

Name: Michael Prinsloo **Board Member** Sandton

Date: 20 November 2024

Name: Elio E'Silva Board Member Sandton 20 November 2024 Date: \_

#### SCHEDULE C **OUTVEST PROVIDENT PRESERVATION FUND** Registration number: 12/8/38214

# Statement of Responsibility by the Principal Officer

For the period ended 30 June 2024

I confirm that, for the period under review, OUTvest Provident Preservation Fund has timeously submitted all regulatory and other returns, statements, documents and any other information as required in terms of the Pension Funds Act and, to the best of my knowledge, all applicable legislation.

Marks de Klerk

M De Klerk **Principal Officer** Sandton

Date: \_\_\_\_ 20 November 2024



## Schedule D

#### **Independent Auditor's Report**

To the Board of Fund of the OUTvest Provident Preservation Fund

#### **Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements**

#### Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of OUTvest Provident Preservation Fund (the Fund) set out on pages 18 to 32, which comprise the statement of net assets and funds as at 30 June 2024 and the statement of changes in net assets and funds for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the financial statements of the Fund for the year ended 30 June 2024 are prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with the Regulatory Reporting Requirements for Retirement Funds in South Africa.

#### Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (ISAs). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of the Fund in accordance with the Independent Regulatory Board for Auditors' Code of Professional Conduct for Registered Auditors (IRBA Code) and other independence requirements applicable to performing audits of financial statements in South Africa. We have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the IRBA Code and in accordance with other ethical requirements applicable to performing audits in South Africa. The IRBA Code is consistent with the corresponding sections of the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants' International Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including International Independence Standards). We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

#### Emphasis of matter - Financial reporting framework and restriction on use

We draw attention to the Basis of preparation note to the financial statements, which describes the basis of preparation of the financial statements. The financial statements have been prepared for the purpose of the Fund's reporting to the Financial Sector Conduct Authority (the Authority) in terms of section 15(1) of the Pension Funds Act No. 24 of 1956, as amended (the Pension Funds Act of South Africa), and have been prepared in accordance with the Regulatory Reporting Requirements for Retirement Funds in South Africa. As a result, the financial statements may not be suitable for another purpose. Our report is intended solely for the Board of Fund and the Authority and should not be used by parties other than the Board of Fund or the Authority. Our opinion is not modified in respect of these matters.

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#### Other information

The Board of Fund is responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the Annual Financial Statements in terms of section 15 of the Pension Funds Act of South Africa, of the Fund for the period 01 July 2023 to 30 June 2024, but does not include the financial statements (schedules F, G and HA) and our auditor's report thereon (schedule D).

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express an audit opinion or 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 the Board of Fund for the Financial Statements

The Board of Fund is responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the Regulatory Reporting Requirements for Retirement Funds in South Africa and for such internal control as the Board of Fund determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. The Board of Fund is also responsible for compliance with the requirements of the Rules of the Fund and the Pension Funds Act of South Africa.

In preparing the financial statements, the Board of Fund is responsible for assessing the Fund's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Board of Fund either intends to liquidate the Fund or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

#### 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 ISAs 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.

As part of an audit in accordance with ISAs, we exercise professional judgement 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 Fund's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the Board of Fund.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the Board of Fund'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 Fund's ability 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 Fund to cease to continue as a going concern.

We communicate with the Board of Fund 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 Other Legal and Regulatory Requirements

The Statement of Responsibility by the Board of Fund describes no instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations, including those that determine the reported amounts and disclosures in the financial statements that have come to the attention of the Board of Fund and the corrective action taken by the Board of Fund. There are no additional instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations that came to our attention during the course of our audit of the financial statements.

#### Pricewaterhouse Coopers Inc

PricewaterhouseCoopers Inc Director: JJ Grové Registered Auditor Johannesburg, South Africa 9 December 2024

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#### Report of the Board of Fund

For the period ended 30 June 2024

#### 1. Description of the Fund

#### Type of Fund

In terms of Section 1 of the Income Tax Act, 1962 the Fund is classified as a provident preservation fund. The Fund is a defined contribution fund.

#### **Benefits**

#### Fund benefits

The Fund will, in accordance with its Rules provide benefits at retirement, ill health or in the case of death to dependents and/or nominated beneficiary(ies) of members. All benefits are payable in South Africa, in South African rand, via Electronic Fund Transfer (EFT) only to a current, savings or transmission account and will be subject to anti-money laundering checks.

#### Unclaimed benefits

The Pension Funds Act refers to unclaimed benefits as all claims in excess of 24 months from the date on which the benefit became legally due and payable. Unclaimed benefits may be placed into an unclaimed benefit fund.

#### Beneficiary benefits

Beneficiary benefits are paid in terms of the Rules of the Fund.

#### Rule amendments

| Rule amendment no. | Date of Board of Fund's resolution | Effective date | Date registered by<br>the Financial Sector<br>Conduct Authority |
|--------------------|------------------------------------|----------------|---|
| Amendment no. 7    | 28/05/2024                         | 01/07/2024     | 25/06/2024  |
| Amendment no. 8    | 28/05/2024                         | 01/09/2024     | 23/08/2024  |

#### Amendment no. 7

(1) To change the name of the Fund;

(2) To change the registered address of the Fund;

(3) To reflect that the name of the Sponsor for the purposes of these rules has changed, by replacing the definition of "Sponsor" in rule 2.3.45;

(4) To correct 3.10.8 to reflect the correct definition of Annuity Strategy Policy as defined in the rules of the Fund; by

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(i) Replacing rule 1.1 with the following:

1.1 Name

The Fund known as the OUTvest Provident Preservation Fund was established with effect from 04 December 2019.

With effect from 01 July 2024 the Fund shall be known as the Alexforbes Invest Provident Preservation Fund.

(ii) Replacing rule 1.4 with the following:

#### 1.4 Registered Office

The registered office of the Fund is: Alexforbes, 115 West Street, Sandown;

(iii) Replacing rule 2.3.45 with the following:

2.3.45 "Sponsor" means Alexforbes Invest;

(iv) Replacing rule 3.10.8 with the following:

3.10.8 To establish an annuity strategy which will be recorded in the annuity strategy policy as defined in the rules.

#### Amendment no. 8

To ensure that the member's share as at 31 August 2024 will form the member's vested component and may be available to the member should he exit the Fund prior to retirement. To make provision for a withdrawal from the savings component should the member so elect and to ensure that members may not access their total value of their member's share prior to retirement.

#### Reserves and specified accounts established in terms of the Rules of the Fund

#### Expense reserve

Interest earned in the Fund's bank account which is not for the benefit of members, shall be credited to an expense account. Expenses payable by the Fund may be debited to the expense account.

The balance of this account as at 30 June 2024 is R17 282 (2023: R16 592).

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#### Report of the Board of Fund

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#### Management of investments

The Board has worked with their asset consultant to design a series of graduated investment portfolios using four portfolios that aim to cover the vast majority of investment types in the South African and global investment universe, suitable for our members' pre-retirement needs and compliant with applicable regulation.

Each of the investment portfolios are managed as a single unit trust and governed by a single index, or in the case of the money market fund, actively managed. Each retirement goal for a member will consist of one of the four unit trusts rather than a blend of the unit trusts. This aids the simplicity of administration and ensures the main driver of the investment returns, in this case the asset allocation, is identical to all members in the same unit trust.

The four unit trusts are designed to operate as a spectrum of investment return and risk, graduating from low risk and low return (Granate SCI Money Market Fund) to high risk and high return (CoreShares OUTmoderate Index Fund) in four steps. It is for this reason the portfolio construction of the investment portfolios are linked, and the underlying investment types are closely related.

The first portfolio is a money market fund that is actively managed, by Granate Asset Management, a specialist Fixed Income Manager.

The following two portfolios, CoreSolutions OUTmoderate Index Fund and CoreSolutions OUTstable Index Fund are managed by CoreShares Asset Management, are constructed by following a set of multiasset indices designed by Alexforbes Invest in conjunction with CoreShares ad S&P Dow Jones Indices. Each of these indices contain a collection of sub-indices representing different asset types, for example, the Local Equity allocation in the OUTcautious Index is represented by the S&P SA To 50 Index.

Each of the three multi-asset indices contain similar sub-indices. For example, the OUTcautious, OUTstable and OUTmoderate Index all contain the S&P SA Top 50 Index (the 50 largest listed companies in South Africa) in increasing allocations.

The allocations within the multi-asset indices will drift in line with the performance of the underlying subindices and rebalanced twice per year in March and September, as the aim is to minimise transaction costs, which negatively impact performance.

The objective of this portfolio construction approach is to create a low cost investment allocation where the performance and risk characteristics of the portfolios show clear differentiation from one another.

The investments of the Fund are held on its behalf by Alexforbes Invest Nominees RF Proprietary Limited.

The funds available in the reserve account will be held in the bank account of the Fund.

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#### Report of the Board of Fund

For the period ended 30 June 2024

#### 2. Membership

| Active members                                       |          |
|--|----------|
| At beginning of period                               | 143      |
| Transferred from other funds                         | 16       |
| Less:  |          |
| Withdrawals  | 5        |
| Retirements  | 5        |
| Transfers to other funds                             | 4        |
| Adjustments  | 33       |
| At end of period                                     | 112      |
| South African citizens<br>non-South African citizens | 109<br>3 |

#### Adjustments

In the prior period the membership reconciliation total was based on the number of policies and not the amount of members. There were various members with more than one policy in the fund, thus the member total was over stated. In order to bring the member total in line with the actual number of members in the Fund, there is an adjustment of -33.

#### 3. Actuarial valuation

The Fund has been exempted from the provisions of sections 9A and 16 of the Pension Act in South Africa until 30 June 2024. The valuation exemption was granted by the Financial Sector Conduct Authority on 05 July 2022 and the Fund is in compliance with the conditions prescribed. The Fund has subsequently applied for a further valuation exemption on 21 August 2024, under case 601159, and is awaiting feedback from the Financial Sector Conduct Authority.

#### 4. Housing loan facilities

The Fund does not grant housing loans or guarantee facilities to members in terms of Section 19(5) of the Pension Funds Act.

#### 5. Significant matters

#### Acquisition of OUTvest by Alexander Forbes Group Holdings Limited

Alexander Forbes Group Holding Limited (Alexforbes), has concluded an agreement with OUTsurance Holdings Limited (OUTsurance) in November 2023 for it to acquire 100% of OUTvest Proprietary Limited, effective 01 February 2024.

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#### Report of the Board of Fund

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#### Board of Fund

The following Board Members resigned in the financial period:

- L van der Merwe;
- M van der Watt.

The following Board Members were appointed in the financial period:

- E E'Silva;
- M Prinsloo.

#### Change in Fund Officers

At the date of preparation of the annual financial statements, the Financial Sector Conduct Authority had assigned the FSP No 47234 to Alexforbes Invest Proprietary Limited. Therefore the Investment advisor and Custodian/Nominee listed in the Regulatory Information section of the financial statements is Alexforbes Invest Proprietary Limited and Alexforbes Invest Nominees RF Proprietary Limited, although in the current financial period these positions were held by OUTvest Proprietary Limited and OUTvest Nominees Proprietary Limited.

The Benefit administrator with Section 13B registration number 24/786 remained listed as OUTvest Proprietary Limited and will be changed in the new period.

#### 6. Subsequent event/(s)

Since the end of the period the following significant event/(s) occurred:

#### Two-pot Retirement System

On 21/07/2024, the president of South Africa assented the Pension Funds Amendment Bill which amends pension-related legislation to enable the implementation of the recently legislated two-pot retirement system. This amendment arose as a result of financial difficulties experienced during the Covid 19 lock down period and it seeks to remedy any future such difficulties, that may be experienced by members.

The effective date of the two-pot retirement system is from 01/09/2024 and what this effectively means is that one-third of retirement contributions will be split into a savings component and two-thirds into a retirement component. The ability to unconditionally access amounts from the 'savings component' will be provided without the member having to cease employment or having to resign. A member will be allowed to make a single withdrawal within a year of assessment amounting to a minimum withdrawal of R 2000. These annual withdrawals will be subject to tax, at a marginal tax rate. Over and above, when a member withdraws, they will be entitled to receive any amount accrued to them before 01/09/2024 as cash.

#### Board of Fund

V Memani-Sedile resigned as a Board Member, effective 01 October 2024. At time of preparation of the financial statements the appointment of a replacement Board Member was under way.

#### Fund Name change

As a result of the acquisition of OUTvest Proprietary Limited by Alexander Forbes Group Holding Limited (Alexforbes) in November 2023, the name of the Fund was changed to Alexforbes Invest Preservation Provident Fund, effective 1 July 2024, following the approval of rule amendment 7.

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# Statement of Net Assets and Funds

At 30 June 2024

|                              | Notes | Current period<br>R               | Previous period<br>R              |
|------------------------------|-------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| ASSETS                       |       |                                   |                                   |
| Non-current assets           |       |                                   |                                   |
| Investments                  | 1_    | <u>161 920 176</u><br>161 920 176 | <u>139 846 528</u><br>139 846 528 |
| Current assets               |       | 161 920 176                       | 139 846 528                       |
| Transfers receivable         | 2     | 1 307 083                         | 0                                 |
| Accounts receivable          | 3     | 15 518                            | 0                                 |
| Cash at bank                 |       | 90 055                            | 214 477                           |
|                              |       | 1 412 656                         | 214 477                           |
| Total assets                 | _     | 163 332 832                       | 140 061 005                       |
| FUNDS AND LIABILITIES        |       |                                   |                                   |
| Members' individual accounts |       | 161 920 175                       | 139 846 528                       |
| Amounts to be allocated      | 9     | 1 315 739                         | 0                                 |
|                              |       | 163 235 914                       | 139 846 528                       |
| Reserve accounts             |       |                                   |                                   |
| Reserve accounts             | 4     | 17 282                            | 16 592                            |
|                              |       | 17 282                            | 16 592                            |
| Total funds and reserves     | _     | 163 253 196                       | 139 863 120                       |
| Current liabilities          |       |                                   |                                   |
| Benefits payable             | 6     | 79 636                            | 197 885                           |
|                              | _     | 79 636                            | 197 885                           |
| Total funds and liabilities  | _     | 163 332 832                       | 140 061 005                       |

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# Statement of Changes in Net Assets and Funds For the period ended 30 June 2024

|  |    | Members' individual<br>ccounts and amounts<br>to be allocated<br>R | Reserve<br>account/(s)<br>R | Current period<br>R | Previous period<br>R |
|--|----|--|-----------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| Net investment income                                      | 7  | 16 126 762   | 690                         | 16 127 452          | 19 969 435           |
| Net income before expenses                                 |    | 16 126 762   | 690                         | 16 127 452          | 19 969 435           |
| Less   |    |  |                             |                     |                      |
| Administration expenses                                    | 8  | 771 918  | 0                           | 771 918             | 692 459              |
| Net income before transfers and benefits                   |    | 15 354 844   | 690                         | 15 355 534          | 19 276 976           |
| Transfers and benefits                                     |    |  |                             |                     |                      |
| Transfers from other funds                                 | 2  | 21 028 935   | 0                           | 21 028 935          | 32 858 797           |
| Transfers to other funds                                   | 5  | (3 741 665)  | 0                           | (3 741 665)         | (874 293)            |
| Benefits   | 6  | (9 290 479)  | 0                           | (9 290 479)         | (12 809 971)         |
| Net income before funds and reserves<br>Funds and reserves |    | 23 351 635   | 690                         | 23 352 325          | 38 451 509           |
| Balance at beginning of period                             |    | 139 846 528  | 16 592                      | 139 863 120         | 101 411 611          |
|  |    | 163 198 163  | 17 282                      | 163 215 445         | 139 863 120          |
| Net investment return allocated                            |    |  |                             |                     |                      |
| Benefits payable to current members                        | 6  | (6 811)  | 0                           | (6 811)             | 0                    |
| Transfers to other funds                                   | 5_ | 44 562   | 0                           | 44 562              | 0                    |
| Balance at end of period                                   |    | 163 235 914  | 17 282                      | 163 253 196         | 139 863 120          |

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#### **Basis of preparation**

The annual financial statements are prepared in accordance with the Regulatory Reporting Requirements for Retirement Funds in South Africa, the Rules of the Fund and the provisions of the Pension Funds Act.

The annual financial statements are prepared on the historical cost and going concern basis, except where specifically indicated in the accounting policies below:

#### Principal accounting policies

The following are the principal accounting policies adopted by the Fund. These policies have been applied consistently to all years presented, unless otherwise stated.

#### **Financial instruments**

A financial instrument is recognised when the Fund becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. Financial instruments are initially measured at fair value plus directly attributable transaction costs other than those classified at fair value through the Statement of Changes in Net Assets and Funds. Gains or losses arising from changes in the fair value are presented in the Statement of Changes in Net Assets and Funds in the period in which they arise.

Financial instruments include financial assets, cash and cash equivalents, accounts receivable, accounts payable, other financial liabilities and derivative financial instruments.

Financial instruments include the following instruments per category:

#### Financial assets at fair value through Statement of Changes in Net Assets and Funds

- Collective investment schemes

#### Loans and receivables

- Cash
- Accounts receivable

#### Other financial liabilities

- Accounts payable

#### **Collective investment schemes**

All investments held by the Fund are Collective Investment Schemes which are classified at fair value through the statement of changes in net assets and funds and are measured at fair value. This is the quoted unit values as derived by the collective investment scheme manager with reference to the rules of each particular collective investment scheme multiplied by the number of units.

#### Cash

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash balances and call deposits. Cash equivalents are short-term, highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in fair value. Cash and cash equivalents are initially measured at fair value and subsequently at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

#### Accounts receivable

Accounts receivable are financial assets measured initially at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method, less any allowance for impairment.

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#### Transfers from other funds

#### Section 14 (1) transfers from other funds

Section 14 transfers from a fund are recognised on the date of approval of the scheme/arrangement of transfer of business by the Financial Sector Conduct Authority, as contained in the approval certificate obtained from the Financial Sector Conduct Authority. Section 14 transfers are measured at the values according to the Section 14 application at effective date of transfer, adjusted for investment return or late payment interest, and any members who exited the Fund after the effective date of the transfer but prior to the approval of the application from the Financial Sector Conduct Authority.

#### Section 14(8) transfers from other funds

Form H and J transfers, in accordance with Section 14(8) of the Pension Funds Act, are recognised when the transfer is signed off by the duly authorised officials of both the transferor and transferee Funds respectively (i.e. the Chairperson or another member of the Board of Fund and the Principal Officer of the Fund).

#### Individual transfers

Individual transfers are recognised on the earlier of receipt of the written notice of transfer (Recognition of Transfer) or receipt of the actual transfer value. Individual transfers are measured at the value of the transfer at effective date of the transfer, adjusted for investment return or late payment interest.

#### **Reserves and specified accounts**

Reserve accounts are accounted for in terms of the Rules of the Fund.

#### Transfers to other funds

#### Section 14 (1) transfers to other funds

Section 14 transfers to other funds are recognised on the date of approval of the scheme/arrangement of transfer of business by the Financial Sector Conduct Authority, as contained in the approval certificate obtained from the Financial Sector Conduct Authority. Section 14 transfers are measured at the values according to the Section 14 application at effective date of transfer adjusted for investment return or late payment interest, and any members who exited the Fund after the effective date of the transfer but prior to the approval of the application from the Financial Sector Conduct Authority.

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#### Individual transfers

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#### Benefits

Benefits payable are measured in terms of the Rules of the Fund. Benefit payments are recognised as an expense when they are due and payable in terms of the Rules of the Fund. Any benefits not paid at the end of the reporting period are recognised as a current liability – benefits payable.

#### Investment income

#### Interest

Interest income in respect of financial assets held at amortised cost is accounted for in the Statement of Changes in Net Assets and Funds using the effective interest rate method.

#### Collective investment schemes' distribution

Distributions from collective investment schemes are recognised in the Statement of Changes in Net Assets and Fund when the right to receive payment is established.

#### Adjustment to fair value

Gains or losses arising from changes in the fair value of 'financial assets at fair value through the Statement of Changes in Net Assets and Funds' are presented in the Statement of Changes in Net Assets and Funds in the period in which they arise.

#### Administration expenses

Expenses incurred in the administration of the Fund are recognised in the Statement of Changes in Net Assets and Funds in the reporting period in which it occurred. An expense is recognised if it is probable that any future economic benefit associated with the item will flow from the Fund and the cost can be reliably measured. In the event that an expense has not yet been paid at the end of the reporting period, the liability will be reflected in the accounts payable note. If an expense has been paid in advance or has been overpaid, the asset will be disclosed in the accounts receivable note.

#### Member individual accounts

Member individual accounts comprise of the Funds attributable to individual members, represented by investments and cash balances.

#### Amounts to be allocated

Amounts to be allocated represents transactions through the Fund which have not been allocated to members or reserves.

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## 1. Investments

#### 1.1. Investment summary

|   | Local                   | Foreign    | Total current period | Total previous period | Fair value current<br>period |
|---|-------------------------|------------|----------------------|-----------------------|------------------------------|
|   | R                       | R          | R                    | R                     | R                            |
| Fair value through Statement of Changes | in Net Assets and Funds |            |                      |                       |                              |
| Collective investment schemes           | 117 164 989             | 44 755 187 | 161 920 176          | 139 846 528           | 161 920 176                  |
|   | 117 164 989             | 44 755 187 | 161 920 176          | 139 846 528           | 161 920 176                  |

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## 2. Transfers from other funds

|  | Effective<br>date | No. of<br>members | At beginning<br>of period<br>R | Transfers<br>approved<br>R | Net investment<br>return<br>R | Assets<br>transferred<br>R | At end of<br>period<br>R |
|--|-------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|
| Total transfers in terms of Section 14   |                   | 7                 | 0                              | 4 985 990                  | 18 521                        | (4 832 656)                | 171 855                  |
| 10X Provident Preservation Fund          | 09/05/2024        | 1                 | 0                              | 12 295                     | 0                             | (12 295)                   | 0                        |
| Classic Preservation Provident Plan      | 01/06/2023        | 1                 | 0                              | 188                        | 0                             | (188)                      | 0                        |
| 10X Provident Preservation Fund          | 26/07/2023        | 1                 | 0                              | 2 288 160                  | 30 466                        | (2 318 626)                | 0                        |
| Allan Gray Provident Preservation Fund   | 04/09/2024        | 1                 | 0                              | 2 258 152                  | (12 508)                      | (2 245 644)                | 0                        |
| Protektor Preservation Provident Fund    | 22/11/2023        | 1                 | 0                              | 223 050                    | 384                           | (223 434)                  | 0                        |
| Protektor Preservation Provident Fund    | 09/05/2024        | 1                 | 0                              | 32 290                     | 179                           | (32 469)                   | 0                        |
| PPS Preservation Provident Fund (vested) | 10/06/2024        | 1                 | 0                              | 171 855                    | 0                             | Ó                          | 171 855                  |
| Individual transfers                     |                   | 18                | 0                              | 15 985 084                 | 39 340                        | (14 889 196)               | 1 135 228                |
|  |                   |                   | 0                              | 20 971 074                 | 57 861                        | (19 721 852)               | 1 307 083                |

# Movement on Statement of Changes in Net Assets and Funds

| Transfers approved         | 20 971 074 |
|----------------------------|------------|
| Net investment return      | 57 861     |
| Transfers from other funds | 21 028 935 |

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# 3. Accounts receivable

|  | Current period<br>R | Previous period<br>R |
|--|---------------------|----------------------|
| Granate BCI Money Market Fund D accrued distribution | 8 656               | 0                    |
| Incorrect SARS Payment                               | 6 862               | 0                    |
|  | 15 518              | 0                    |

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#### 4. Reserve accounts

|                 | Current period<br>R | Previous period<br>R |
|-----------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| Expense reserve | 17 282              | 16 592               |
|                 | 17 282              | 16 592               |

# Expense reserve

|                                      | Current period | Previous period |
|--------------------------------------|----------------|-----------------|
|                                      | R              | R               |
| Net investment income                | 690            | 13 308          |
| Net income before funds and reserves | 690            | 13 308          |
| Funds and reserves                   |                |                 |
| Balance at beginning of period       | 16 592         | 3 284           |
| Balance at end of period             | 17 282         | 16 592          |

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## 5. Transfers to other funds

|                   |  |                           |  |   | Assets  |  |
|-------------------|--|---------------------------|--|---|---|--|
| Effective<br>date | No. of<br>members                              | At beginning<br>of period | Transfers<br>approved  | Net investment tr<br>return   | ansferred and paid  | At end of<br>period  |
|                   |  | R                         | R  | R   | R   | R  |
|                   | 4  | 0                         | 3 741 665  | 5 (44 562)  | (3 697 103)   | 0  |
| 12/03/2024        | . 1  | 0                         | 1 476 055  | 5 8 980   | (1 485 035)   | 0  |
| 19/01/2024        | . 1  | 0                         | 177 119  | 9 2 915   | (180 034)   | 0  |
| 04/09/2023        | 5 1  | 0                         | 1 314 488  | 3 (63 381)  | (1 251 107)   | 0  |
| 22/01/2024        | . 1  | 0                         | 774 003  | 6 924   | (780 927)   | 0  |
|                   |  | 0                         | 3 741 665  | 5 (44 562)  | (3 697 103)   | 0  |
|                   | date<br>12/03/2024<br>19/01/2024<br>04/09/2023 |                           | date         members         of period<br>R           4         0           12/03/2024         1         0           19/01/2024         1         0           04/09/2023         1         0 | date         members         of period<br>R         approved<br>R           4         0         3 741 665           12/03/2024         1         0         1 476 055           19/01/2024         1         0         177 115           04/09/2023         1         0         1 314 485           22/01/2024         1         0         774 003 | date         members         of period<br>R         approved<br>R         return<br>R           4         0         3 741 665         (44 562)           12/03/2024         1         0         1 476 055         8 980           19/01/2024         1         0         177 119         2 915           04/09/2023         1         0         1 314 488         (63 381)           22/01/2024         1         0         774 003         6 924 | Effective<br>date         No. of<br>members         At beginning<br>of period<br>R         Transfers<br>approved<br>R         Net investment<br>return         transferred and<br>paid           4         0         3 741 665         (44 562)         (3 697 103)           12/03/2024         1         0         1 476 055         8 980         (1 485 035)           19/01/2024         1         0         177 119         2 915         (180 034)           04/09/2023         1         0         774 003         6 924         (780 927) |

# Movement on Statement of Changes in Net Assets and Funds

| Transfers approved       | 3 741 665 |
|--------------------------|-----------|
| Net investment return    | (44 562)  |
| Transfers to other funds | 3 697 103 |

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# 6. Benefits

|   | At beginning of<br>period<br>R | Benefits for<br>current period<br>R | Net investment<br>return<br>R | Payments<br>R | Transferred<br>unclaimed<br>benefits<br>R | At en | d of period<br>R |
|---|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------|---|-------|------------------|
| On retirement                                 | 143 550                        | 5 825 411                           | 6 811                         | (5 896 136)   |   | 0     | 79 636           |
| Lump sums on retirement                       |                                |                                     |                               |               |   |       |                  |
| Full benefit                                  | 143 550                        | 5 825 411                           | 6 811                         | (5 896 136)   |   | 0     | 79 636           |
| Pre-retirement<br>Lump sums before retirement | 54 335                         | 3 465 068                           | 0                             | (3 519 403)   |   | 0     | 0                |
| Withdrawal benefits                           | 54 335                         | 3 465 068                           | 0                             | (3 519 403)   |   | 0     | 0                |
|   | 197 885                        | 9 290 479                           | 6 811                         | (9 415 539)   |   | 0     | 79 636           |

Movement on Statement of Changes in Net Assets and Funds

| Benefits awarded      | 9 290 479 |
|-----------------------|-----------|
| Net investment return | 6 811     |
| Benefits              | 9 297 290 |

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## 7. Net investment income

|                                      | Current period | Previous period |
|--------------------------------------|----------------|-----------------|
|                                      | R              | R               |
| Collective investment schemes income | 6 797 442      | 5 770 541       |
| Fair value adjustments               | 9 304 297      | 14 185 588      |
| Interest received                    | 25 713         | 13 306          |
|                                      | 16 127 452     | 19 969 435      |

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# 8. Administration expenses

|  | Current period | Previous period |
|--|----------------|-----------------|
|  | R              | R               |
| Administration fees                            | 600 278        | 496 343         |
| Advice Fees                                    | 164 937        | 196 116         |
| South African Revenue Services Penalty payment | 6 703          | 0               |
|  | 771 918        | 692 459         |

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## 9. Amounts to be allocated

|  | Current period | Previous period |
|--|----------------|-----------------|
|  | R              | R               |
| Granate BCI Money Market Fund D accrued distribution | 8 656          | 0               |
| Transfers in receivable                              | 1 307 083      | 0               |
|  | 1 315 739      | 0               |

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#### 10. Related party transactions

| Related party | Relationship/Description | Current Period C<br>Transactions | urrent Period<br>Balance | Previous<br>Period<br>Transactions | Previous<br>Period<br>Balance |
|---------------|--------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Administrator | Administration fees      | <b>R</b><br>600 278              | <u>к</u><br>0            | 496 343                            | <u>R</u><br>0                 |

#### Administrator

Alexforbes Invest Proprietary Limited (formerly OUTvest Proprietary Limited)

#### Sponsor paid expenses

The Sponsor paid expenses on behalf of the Fund as provided for in the Rules, consisting, among others, of audit fees, insurance, levies, Board members' fees and the Principal Officer fees.

The Sponsor has created a special fee model known as the ONEfee, which aims to create a single point where fees are deducted from member values for services provided to the Fund and its members. The result is that members do not pay separately for administration, investment management, governance or any other charges. The expenses for each service provided to members are paid for by the Sponsor and recovered from the ONEfee. The benefit for members is that the Sponsor is responsible for cost control on behalf of the members, and providing low, clear and simple fee arrangement for members. The implementation and approval of the ONEfee arrangement is subject to the approval of the Board of Fund. The Board of Fund exercised oversight over the expenses paid from the ONEfee.

#### Nominee company

The investments of the Fund are held on its behalf by Alexforbes Invest Nominees RF Proprietary Limited. The portfolios and values as at 30/06/2024 are:

CoreSolutions OUTmoderate Index Fund R135 112 245.21 CoreSolutions OUTstable Index Fund R21 014 990.15 Granate BCI Money Market Fund R1 226 851.67

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#### SCHEDULE I

#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES REPORT TO THE BOARD OF FUND AND THE FINANCIAL SECTOR CONDUCT AUTHORITY IN RESPECT OF THE AUDITED ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND OTHER SPECIFIED INFORMATION IN THE GENERAL LEDGER AND MANAGEMENT INFORMATION COMPRISING THE ACCOUNTING RECORDS (THE "SUBJECT MATTER") OF OUTVEST PROVIDENT PRESERVATION FUND ("THE FUND") FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024

#### Purpose of this Agreed-Upon Procedures Report and Restriction on Use and Distribution

Our report on the Subject Matter is provided in accordance with Section 15(1) of the Pension Funds Act, No. 24 of 1956 of South Africa (the "Act"), solely for the purpose of assisting the Financial Sector Conduct Authority (the "Authority") and Board of Fund in evaluating whether there are any instances of noncompliance with the requirements of the specified sections of the Act, Regulations of the Act, 1962, and the registered Rules of the Fund during the year ended 30 June 2024, and may not be suitable for another purpose. This report is intended solely for the Board of Fund and the Authority and should not be used by, or distributed to, any other parties.

#### Responsibilities of the Board of Fund and the Authority

The Board of Fund and the Authority have acknowledged that the agreed-upon procedures are appropriate for the purpose of the engagement.

The Board of Fund is responsible for the subject matter on which the agreed-upon procedures are performed.

#### Auditor's Responsibilities

We have conducted the agreed-upon procedures engagement in accordance with the International Standard on Related Services (ISRS) 4400 (Revised), Agreed-Upon Procedures Engagements. An agreed-upon procedures engagement involves us performing the procedures that have been agreed with the Board of Fund, and reporting the findings, which are the factual results of the agreed- upon procedures performed. We make no representation regarding the appropriateness of the agreed-upon procedures.

This agreed-upon procedures engagement is not an assurance engagement. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion or an assurance conclusion.

Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported.

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#### **Professional Ethics and Quality Management**

We have complied with the ethical requirements of the Code of Professional Conduct for Registered Auditors issued by the Independent Regulatory Board for Auditors (IRBA Code). The IRBA Code is founded on fundamental principles of integrity, objectivity, professional competence and due care, confidentiality and professional behaviour; and it is consistent with the corresponding sections of the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants' *International Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including International Independence Standards)*. For the purpose of this engagement, there are no independence requirements with which we are required to comply.

The firm applies the International Standard on Quality Management 1, *Quality Management for Firms that Perform Audits or Reviews of Financial Statements, or Other Assurance or Related Services Engagements,* which requires the firm to 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.

#### **Procedures and Findings**

We have performed the procedures described in the table below, which were agreed upon with the Board of Fund in respect of the audited annual financial statements and other specified information in the general ledger and management information comprising the accounting records of the Fund for the year ended 30 June 2024.

Unless otherwise indicated, all balances, lists, schedules and other relevant documents referred to in the table below relate to the accounts/balances reflected in the audited annual financial statements of the Fund for the year ended 30 June 2024.

#### Sample size and selection criteria:

Unless otherwise stated in the procedure, the sample should be selected as follows:

Sort the list by member number or other numerical identifier, if no member number is applicable, and divide the total number of items on the list by the number of items to be selected to obtain the variable rounded off to the nearest whole number (the "nth item"). Select a sample starting from the first to the nearest nth item on the list, then select every nth item until the required sample size is reached.

|     | Procedures  | Findings   |
|-----|---|--|
|     | Statement of Net Assets and Funds   |  |
| 1   | Investments   |  |
| 1.1 | Obtain a list of all investments as at 30 June<br>2024 from the Fund administrator and agree<br>the total investment balance per the list to the<br>amount reflected in the Statement of Net<br>Assets and Funds per the audited annual | We obtained a list of investments as at 30<br>June 2024 from the and agreed the total<br>investment balance per the list to the amount<br>reflected in the Statement of Net Assets and |



|       | Procedures  | Findings   |
|-------|---|--|
|       | financial statements as at 30 June 2024 and note any differences.   | Funds per the annual financial statements as at 30 June 2024.  |
| 1.1.1 | <ul> <li>a) Obtain external confirmations of all investment balances per the list of investments obtained in procedure 1.1, from the investment managers as at 30 June 2024. Where the auditor is unable to obtain these external confirmations, note this fact.</li> <li>b) For external confirmations that are in a foreign currency, obtain the exchange rate(s) applied by the Fund to translate the investment value to South African rands (ZAR) from the Fund administrator and recalculate the ZAR value using the exchange rate. Agree the recalculated values to the investment balances as per the list of investments obtained in procedure 1.1 and note any differences.</li> <li>c) For external confirmations, that are in ZAR, agree the values of the investment balances as per the list of investments obtained to the investment balances as per the list of investments obtained to the investment balances as per the list of investments obtained to the investment balances as per the list of investments obtained to the investment balances as per the list of investments obtained to the investment balances as per the list of investments obtained to the investment balances as per the list of investments obtained to the investment balances as per the list of investments obtained in procedure 1.1 and note any differences.</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>a) We obtained external confirmations of all investment balances per the list of investments obtained in procedure 1.1, from the investment managers as at 30 June 2024.</li> <li>b) Not applicable. All confirmations were Rand denominated.</li> <li>c) For external confirmations that are in ZAR, we agreed the values of the investments per the external confirmations obtained to the investment balances as per the list of investments obtained in procedure 1.1.</li> </ul> |
| 1.1.2 | From the list of investments obtained in<br>procedure 1.1, by inspection of the list or<br>inquiry with the Fund administrator, note new<br>investments made during the year ended 30<br>June 2024. Select a sample of 10 of the<br>largest value new investments (if there are<br>less than 10 new investments, select all)<br>from the list of investments obtained in<br>procedure 1.1, and perform the following<br>procedures:   | We inspected the list obtained in procedure<br>1.1 or inquired with the Fund administrator and<br>did not note any new investments made during<br>the year ended 30 June 2024.   |



|         | Procedures  | Findings   |
|---------|---|--|
| 1.1.2.1 | Inquire from the Principal Officer the date on<br>which the investment policy statement of the<br>Fund was last reviewed/approved by the<br>Board of Fund. Note the date.   | Not applicable. No new investments noted during the year ended 30 June 2024. |
| 1.1.2.2 | Obtain the latest approved policy statement<br>from the Principal Officer. Inspect the<br>investment policy statement and document<br>the different categories of investments which<br>are within the scope of the investment policy<br>statement.  | Not applicable. No new investments noted during the year ended 30 June 2024. |
| 1.1.2.3 | Inspect the investment note 2 of the audited<br>annual financial statements for the year<br>ended 30 June 2024 and document the<br>categories of investments that the Fund has<br>invested in.  | Not applicable. No new investments noted during the year ended 30 June 2024. |
| 1.1.2.4 | Compare the categories documented in procedure 1.1.2.2 with the categories documented in procedure 1.1.2.3 and note instances where the investment categories per the audited annual financial statements do not agree to the investment policy statement.  | Not applicable. No new investments noted during the year ended 30 June 2024. |
| 1.2.    | Calculate the total value of direct<br>investments held by the Fund in the<br>participating employer as reflected in the<br>investment note 2 of the audited annual<br>financial statements, as a percentage of the<br>total assets reflected in the Statement of Net<br>Assets and Funds per the audited annual<br>financial statements and note the calculated<br>percentage. | Not applicable. The fund has no participating employer.                      |
| 1.2.1   | Where the calculated percentage in procedure 1.2 exceeds 5%, obtain from the Fund administrator the exemption letter received by the Fund from the Authority for these investments.   | Not applicable. The fund has no participating employer.                      |



|     | Procedures   | Findings   |
|-----|--|--|
|     | Note the date of the exemption letter;<br>alternatively, note if no exemption letter<br>could be obtained.   |  |
| 1.3 | Section 19(5B) Investments   |  |
|     | Inquire from the Principal Officer about the matters specified below as they relate to the year ended 30 June 2024 and note the following:   | We inquired from the Principal Officer about<br>the matters specified below as they relate to<br>the year ended 30 June 2024. Based on our<br>inquiries performed, we noted the following:                   |
|     | <ul> <li>Any loans or guarantees have been<br/>granted to a member of the Fund other<br/>than for the purposes of Section 19(5);<br/>and</li> </ul>  | <ul> <li>i. There were no loans or guarantees granted to a member of the Fund; and</li> <li>ii. There were no loans granted to, and investments made in the shares of the</li> </ul>                         |
|     | ii. Any loans that have been granted to, and<br>investments that were made in the shares<br>of the following:  | following:<br>a. A company controlled by an officer or<br>a member of the fund or a director of a  |
|     | <ul> <li>a. A company controlled by an officer<br/>or a member of the fund or a<br/>director of a company which is an<br/>employer participating in the<br/>scheme or arrangement whereby<br/>the fund has been established; or</li> </ul> | company which is an employer<br>participating in the scheme or<br>arrangement whereby the fund has<br>been established; or<br>b. A subsidiary (as defined in the<br>Companies Act) of such a first-          |
|     | <ul> <li>b. A subsidiary (as defined in the<br/>Companies Act) of such a first-<br/>mentioned company.</li> </ul>  | mentioned company.   |
|     | Where loans of this nature have been granted, note the following details of the loans granted: date, amounts and name of borrower.   |  |
| 1.4 | Section 19(5D) Investments<br>Inquire from the Principal Officer about the<br>matters specified below as they relate to the<br>year ended 30 June 2024 and document the<br>responses obtained:   | We inquired from the Principal Officer about<br>the matters specified below as they relate to<br>the year ended 30 June 2024. Based on our<br>inquiries performed, the following responses<br>were obtained: |
|     | a. The Fund, directly or indirectly, acquired<br>or held shares or any other financial<br>interest in another entity at year-end,  | a. The Fund has not acquired or held any shares or financial interest in another entity which results in the exercising of control.  |



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|     | which resulted in the Fund exercising<br>control over that entity without obtaining<br>the prior approval from the Authority; and  | b. Not applicable.   |  |
|     | b. The approval referred to in paragraph (a) was given, subject to any conditions, and note these conditions.  |  |  |
| 2   | Member individual accounts   |  |  |
| 2.1 | Obtain a list of the member individual accounts for members (including contributing, paid-up and deferred members) as at 30 June 2024 and as at 1 July 2023 from the Fund administrator, and perform procedure 2.3.  | We obtained a list of the mer<br>accounts for members as at 30<br>as at 1 July 2023 from the Fund<br>and performed procedure 2.3.  | June 2024 and  |
| 2.2 | Obtain a reconciliation of the total value of<br>the list of member individual accounts as at<br>30 June 2024 obtained in procedure 2.1 to<br>the Members' individual accounts balance as<br>per the Statement of Net Assets and Funds<br>as at 30 June 2024 from the Fund<br>administrator. Note the reconciling items. | We obtained a reconciliation of<br>of the list of member individual<br>30 June 2024 obtained in proce<br>Members' individual accounts<br>the Statement of Net Assets an<br>30 June 2024 from the Fund ac | accounts as at<br>edure 2.1 to the<br>balance as per<br>nd Funds as at |
|     |  |  | R  |
|     |  | Total as per the list of member individual accounts  | 161 928 832  |
|     |  | Accrued income   | (8 657)  |
|     |  | Subtotal   | 161 920 175  |
|     |  | Member individual account<br>as reflected on the<br>Statement of Net Assets and<br>Funds as at 30 June 2024  | 161 920 175  |
|     |  | Difference   | -  |
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| 2.3     | Select a sample of the lesser of 50 or 10% of<br>the number of members from the list of<br>members at the end of the year obtained in<br>procedure 2.1 (selected based on the<br>selection criteria provided above) and<br>perform the following procedures for each<br>member selected and for each of the<br>following three months selected, based on<br>the sample selection criteria described below<br>(months selection only applicable to<br>retirement annuity funds):<br>• month x;<br>• month y; and<br>• June 2024  | We selected a sample of 15 members from the<br>list of members at the end of the year obtained<br>in procedure 2.1 .<br>We performed the following procedures for<br>each member:  |
| 2.4     | Inquire from the Fund administrator whether<br>the Fund is a unitised or non-unitised fund,<br>and note the type of fund.   | We inquired from the Fund administrator<br>whether the Fund is a unitised or non-unitised<br>fund, and noted that the fund is unitised.  |
| 2.4.1   | If the fund is a unitised fund, as noted in procedure 2.4<br>For the sample of members selected in procedure 2.3, perform the following procedures:   | For the members selected with unitised investment products, we performed the following procedures:   |
| 2.4.1.1 | Recalculate the units allocated to the member for the specific month (for retirement annuity funds), as per the fund administration system, by dividing the contributions and/or lump sum transfer received (for preservation funds, that is the lump sum transfer amount received) by the unit price, using both inputs as per the administration system on the dates that the contributions and/or lump sum transfers received were unitised. Agree the recalculated units to the units allocated to the member for the specific month as per the fund administration system. Note any differences. | We recalculated the units allocated to the<br>member as per the fund administration system<br>by dividing the lump sum transfer received by<br>the unit price, using both inputs as per the<br>administration system on the dates that the<br>lump sum transfers received were unitised.<br>The recalculated units agreed to the units<br>allocated to the member for the specific month<br>as per the fund administration system. |
| 2.4.1.2 | Obtain an external confirmation of the unit prices from the Alexforbes Invest Nominees  | We obtained an external confirmation of the unit prices from the Alexforbes Invest   |



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|         | company throughout the year ended 30 June 2024. Note any exceptions of confirmations not obtained.   | Nominees company throughout the year ended 30 June 2024.  |
| 2.4.1.3 | Agree the unit price per the administration system in 2.4.1.1 to the unit price per the external confirmation in 2.4.1.2, and note any differences.  | We agreed the unit price per the administration system in 2.4.1.1 to the unit price per the external confirmation in 2.4.1.2. No exceptions were noted.   |
| 2.4.1.4 | Recalculate the member's fund credit as at 30 June 2024 by multiplying the number of units with the unit price, using both inputs as per the administration system. Agree the recalculated amount to the member's fund credit per the listing obtained in procedure 2.1, and note any differences. | We recalculated the member's fund credit as<br>at 30 June 2024 by multiplying the number of<br>units with the unit price, using both inputs as<br>per the administration system. The<br>recalculated amount agreed to the member's<br>fund credit per the listing obtained in<br>procedure 2.1. |
|         |  | No exceptions were noted.   |
| 2.4.1.5 | Agree the 30 June 2024 unit price as per the administration system used in procedure 2.4.1.1 to the unit price obtained from the Alexforbes Invest Nominees company in procedure 2.4.1.2, and note any differences.  | The 30 June 2024 unit price as per the administration system used in procedure 2.4.1.1 agreed to the unit price obtained from the Alexforbes Invest Nominees company in procedure 2.4.1.2.  |
|         |  | No exceptions were noted.   |
| 2.4.2   | If the fund is a non-unitised fund as noted in procedure 2.4   |   |
|         | For the sample of members selected in procedure 2.3, perform the following procedures:   | Not applicable. The Fund does not offer non-<br>unitised investment products.   |
| 2.4.2.1 | Obtain the resolution of the Board of Fund or<br>the rules of the Fund or the approved<br>recommendation by the investment<br>consultant / asset manager / fund valuator<br>that indicates the rate of investment returns<br>to be allocated to members from the Fund<br>administrator.            | Not applicable. The Fund does not offer non-<br>unitised investment products.   |



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| 2.4.2.2 | Inquire from the Fund administrator about<br>how the investment returns as per resolution<br>of the Board of Fund or the rules of the Fund<br>or the approved recommendation by the<br>investment consultant / asset manager / fund<br>valuator obtained in procedure 2.4.2.1 are<br>allocated to the members of the Fund.  | Not applicable. The Fund does not offer non-<br>unitised investment products.  |
| 2.4.2.3 | Recalculate the member's closing fund credit as at 30 June 2024 by:   | Not applicable. The Fund does not offer non-<br>unitised investment products.  |
|         | • Taking the member's opening fund credit from the opening listing obtained in procedure 2.1;   |  |
|         | • Adding the contributions and/or lump sum transfer received (for preservation funds, that is the lump sum transfer amount received) allocated as per the administration system; and  |  |
|         | • Adding/subtracting the returns allocated to the member as calculated using the basis provided by the Fund administrator in procedure 2.4.2.2.   |  |
|         | Agree the recalculated amount to the member's fund credit per the closing listing obtained in procedure 2.1. and note any differences.  |  |
| 2.5     | Switches  |  |
|         | Obtain a list from the Fund administrator of<br>the members who switched investment<br>portfolios during the year-end (including<br>lifestage switches). Select a sample of the<br>lesser of 50 or 10% of the members who<br>switched between investment portfolios<br>during the year (selected based on the<br>selection criteria provided above), and<br>perform the following procedures: | We obtained a list from the Fund administrator<br>of the members who switched investment<br>portfolios during the year-end, selected a<br>sample of 1 member, and performed the<br>following procedures: |



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| 2.5.1   | Obtain the service level agreement from the Fund administrator and note the following terms:  | We obtained the service level agreement from<br>the Fund administrator. We noted the following<br>terms:  |
|         | • Days indicated to process a member-<br>elected switch.  | <ul> <li>5 Days to process a member-elected<br/>switch.</li> </ul>  |
|         | • Timing to effect a lifestage switch.  | <ul> <li>Not applicable, the fund does not offer a<br/>lifestage investment strategy.</li> </ul>  |
|         | • Fees deductible from the member individual accounts to process a switch.  | <ul> <li>No fee is deductible from the member<br/>individual accounts to process a switch.</li> </ul>   |
| 2.5.2   | Member-elected switches   | Member-elected switches   |
|         | For member-elected switches included in<br>the sample selected in procedure 2.5,<br>obtain the member's instruction to switch<br>investment portfolios from the Fund<br>administrator, and perform the following<br>procedures: | Not applicable. The member who switched<br>during the year was not a member elected<br>switch but rather a correction made by the<br>administrator. |
| 2.5.2.1 | Inspect the member's instruction for details<br>of the required switch and note the following<br>details per the instruction:   | Not applicable. Refer to 2.5.2  |
|         | • Date of receipt of the member's instruction by the Fund administrator;  |   |
|         | • Effective date of the switch; and   |   |
|         | Investment portfolio to be switched into.   |   |
| 2.5.2.2 | Inspect the member's fund credit transactions on the administration system obtained from the Fund administrator and note the following details about the switch:  | Not applicable. Refer to 2.5.2  |
|         | • Date when the switch was processed by the Fund administrator;   |   |
|         | • Effective date of the switch; and   |   |
|         | Investment portfolios switched into.  |   |
| 2.5.2.3 | Agree the effective date of the switch and the investment portfolios switched into, as noted  | Not applicable. Refer to 2.5.2  |



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|         | in procedure 2.5.2.1, to the effective date of<br>the switch and the investment portfolios<br>switched into noted in procedure 2.5.2.2, and<br>note any exceptions with regard to the date<br>of switch and/or when the portfolios<br>switched. |  |
| 2.5.2.4 | Calculate the number of days taken to process the switch using the following:   | Not applicable. Refer to 2.5.2   |
|         | • Date of receipt of the member's instruction by the Fund administrator noted in procedure 2.5.2.1.   |  |
|         | • Date when the switch was processed by the Fund administrator noted in procedure 2.5.2.2.  |  |
| 2.5.2.5 | Agree the number of days taken to process<br>the switch per procedure 2.5.2.4 with the<br>number of days in terms per the service level<br>agreement in procedure 2.5.1.  | Not applicable. Refer to 2.5.2   |
|         | Note any differences in timing where the<br>number of days taken to process the switch<br>is greater than the terms per the service level<br>agreement.   |  |
| 2.5.3   | Lifestage switches  | Lifestage switches   |
|         | Obtain the Fund's lifestage investment strategy from the Fund administrator.  | Not applicable, the fund does not offer a lifestage investment strategy. |
| 2.5.3.1 | For lifestage switches included in the sample selected in procedure 2.5, perform the following procedures:  | Not applicable, the fund does not offer a lifestage investment strategy. |
| 2.5.3.2 | Inspect the member's fund credit transactions on the administration system obtained from the Fund administrator and note the following details about the lifestage switch:  | Not applicable, the fund does not offer a lifestage investment strategy. |



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|         | • Date when the lifestage switch was processed by the Fund administrator; and  |   |
|         | Investment portfolios switched into.   |   |
| 2.5.3.3 | Agree the investment portfolios switched into<br>and noted in procedure 2.5.3.2 to the Fund's<br>lifestage investment strategy obtained in<br>procedure 2.5.3.   | Not applicable, the fund does not offer a lifestage investment strategy.  |
| 2.5.3.4 | Agree the timing of the lifestage switch per 2.5.3.2 with the terms per the service level agreement in 2.5.1.<br>Note any difference in timing.  | Not applicable, the fund does not offer a lifestage investment strategy.  |
| 2.5.4.  | For all switches selected in procedure 2.5, inspect the member's record on the administration system for fees deducted for switches, and agree the fees deducted to the fee due in terms of the service level agreement (obtained in procedure 2.5.1). Note any differences.                                 | Not applicable. There were no switches during the year.   |
| 2.6     | Obtain the Asset Liability Match ("ALM") reconciliation per investment portfolio as at 30 June 2024 from the Fund administrator, and perform the following procedures:   | We obtained the ALM reconciliation per<br>investment portfolio as at 30 June 2024 from<br>the Fund administrator, and performed the<br>following procedures:  |
| 2.6.1   | Obtain a reconciliation of the total investment<br>balance per investment portfolio as reflected<br>on the ALM reconciliation to the total balance<br>per the list of investments obtained in<br>procedure 1.1 from the Fund administrator.<br>Note any reconciling items.                                   | We obtained a reconciliation of the total<br>investment balance per investment portfolio as<br>reflected on the ALM reconciliation to the total<br>balance per the list of investments obtained in<br>procedure 1.1 from the Fund administrator. No<br>reconciling items were noted.                                  |
| 2.6.2   | Obtain a reconciliation of the total member<br>individual accounts value per investment<br>portfolio as reflected on the ALM<br>reconciliation to the total member individual<br>accounts value as per the listing obtained in<br>procedure 2.1. from the Fund administrator.<br>Note any reconciling items. | We obtained a reconciliation of the total<br>member individual accounts value per<br>investment portfolio as reflected on the ALM<br>reconciliation to the total member individual<br>accounts value as per the listing obtained in<br>procedure 2.1 from the Fund administrator. No<br>reconciling items were noted. |



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| 2.6.3 | Inspect the total difference between assets<br>and liabilities reflected on the ALM and note<br>whether the variance is larger than 2% of<br>total assets of the Fund per the Statement of<br>Net Assets and Funds.  | We inspected the total difference between<br>assets and liabilities reflected on the ALM and<br>noted that the variance is not larger than 2%<br>of total assets of the Fund per the Statement<br>of Net Assets and Funds. |
| 3     | Surplus apportionment in terms of Section distributions)   | 15C (this will include reserve account   |
| 3.1   | Inquire from the Fund administrator when the actuarial valuation of the Fund was last performed and approved by the Board of Fund. Note the date of the last valuation and when it was approved by the Board of Fund.  | Not applicable, this Fund is valuation exempt.   |
| 3.1.1 | Obtain the actuarial valuation report of the<br>Fund from the Fund administrator and<br>inspect the valuation report for a Section 15C<br>surplus apportionment. If applicable, note the<br>surplus apportionment amount/value.  | Not applicable, this Fund is valuation exempt.   |
| 3.1.2 | If a surplus apportionment was<br>recommended per the actuarial valuation<br>report in procedure 3.1.1, obtain the minutes<br>of meetings of the Board of Fund from the<br>Fund administrator and inspect for the<br>approval of the Section 15C surplus.                    | Not applicable, this Fund is valuation exempt.   |
| 3.2   | Surplus apportionment allocation   |  |
|       | Obtain a list of approved surplus allocations<br>to active and/or former members and/or<br>pensioners in the current year noted in<br>procedure 3.1.1, from the Fund<br>administrator, and perform the following<br>procedures:  | Not applicable. No surplus allocations to active<br>or former members in the current year were<br>noted in procedure 3.1.1.  |
| 3.2.1 | Active members   |  |
|       | Select a sample of the lesser of 50 or 10% of<br>the number of active members to whom<br>surplus has been allocated in the current<br>year per the approved surplus apportionment<br>listing obtained in procedure 3.2 (selected<br>based on the selection criteria provided | Not applicable. No surplus allocations to active members in the current year were noted in procedure 3.2.  |



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|         | above), and perform the following procedures:  |   |
| 3.2.1.1 | Inspect the listing for the date of allocations<br>to active members in the current year and<br>note whether any investment return was<br>allocated from the surplus apportionment<br>approval date to the date of allocation.   | Not applicable. No surplus allocations to active members in the current year were noted in procedure 3.2.               |
| 3.2.1.2 | Agree the surplus amount allocated as per<br>the listing (including investment return) in the<br>current year per member to the allocation on<br>the member records per the administration<br>system, and note any differences.  | Not applicable. No surplus allocations to active<br>members in the current year were noted in<br>procedure 3.2.         |
| 3.2.2   | Former members and pensioners allocations  |   |
|         | Select a sample of the lesser of 50 or 10% of<br>the number of former members or<br>pensioners to whom surplus has been<br>allocated in the current year per the<br>approved surplus apportionment listing<br>obtained in procedure 3.2 (selected based<br>on the selection criteria provided above), and<br>perform the following procedures: | Not applicable. No surplus allocations to former members or pensioners in the current year were noted in procedure 3.2. |
| 3.2.2.1 | Inspect the listing for the date of allocations<br>to former members and pensioners in the<br>current year and note whether any<br>investment return was allocated from the<br>surplus apportionment approval date to the<br>date of allocation.   | Not applicable. No surplus allocations made to former members in the current year were noted in procedure 3.2.          |
| 3.2.2.2 | Agree the surplus amount allocated (including investment return) in the current year per former member and/or pensioner to the allocation on the member records per the administration system, and note any differences.   | Not applicable. No surplus allocations made to former members and in the current year were noted in procedure 3.2.      |
| 3.3     | Surplus apportionment payments   |   |
|         | Obtain a list of all surplus apportionment payments made to members during the year  |   |



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|       | from the Fund administrator and select a sample of the lesser of 50 or 10% of the number of payments (selected based on the selection criteria provided above), and perform the following procedures:   | Not applicable. No surplus apportionment payments were made to members during the year.  |
| 3.3.1 | Agree the amount paid to the member as per<br>the list of surplus apportionment payments<br>obtained in procedure 3.3 to the member's<br>record on the administration system, and<br>note any differences.  | Not applicable. No surplus apportionment payments were made to members during the year.  |
| 3.3.2 | Obtain the document(s) that indicates<br>authorisation of the payment from the Fund<br>administrator and agree the amount<br>authorised to the amount paid as per the list<br>of surplus apportionment payments obtained<br>in procedure 3.3. Note any differences.   | Not applicable. No surplus apportionment payments were made to members during the year.  |
| 4     | Reserves  |  |
| 4.1   | Obtain a list of reserves and other related<br>accounts (e.g. pensioner accounts) and the<br>movements (including debit and credit<br>transactions) per the reserves note 4 to the<br>audited annual financial statements from the<br>Fund administrator, and perform the<br>following procedures:  | We obtained a list of reserves and other<br>related accounts and the movements<br>(including debit and credit transactions) per<br>reserves note 4 to the audited annual financial<br>statements from the Fund administrator, and<br>performed the following procedures:                 |
| 4.2   | Obtain the registered rules of the Fund from the Fund administrator.  | We obtained the registered rules of the Fund from the Fund administrator.  |
| 4.3.  | Inspect the registered rules of the Fund<br>obtained in procedure 4.2 and note the<br>reserve and other related accounts (e.g.<br>pensioner accounts) and the debit and credit<br>transactions allowed in the reserves and<br>other related accounts (e.g. pensioner<br>accounts) listed in rule rule 5.4.1 and 5.2.2 of<br>the registered rules. | We inspected the registered rules of the Fund<br>obtained in procedure 4.2 and noted reserve<br>and other related accounts and the debit and<br>credit transactions allowed in the reserve and<br>other related accounts listed in rule rule 5.4.1<br>and 5.2.2 of the registered rules. |
| 4.3.1 | Compare the description of the reserve and<br>other related accounts (e.g. pensioner<br>accounts) held by the Fund, as reflected in<br>the listing obtained in 4.1 above, to the  | We compared the description of the reserve<br>and other related accounts held by the Fund,<br>as reflected in the listing obtained in 4.1<br>above, to the categories of reserve and other   |



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|       | categories of reserves and other related<br>accounts that are permitted as noted in<br>procedure 4.3. Note any exceptions.  | related accounts permitted as noted in procedure 4.3 and noted no exceptions.  |
| 4.3.2 | Compare the description of all the debit and<br>credit transactions allocated to the reserve<br>and other related accounts, as reflected in<br>the listing obtained in procedure 4.1 above,<br>to the categories of transactions that are<br>permitted to be allocated to the reserves and<br>other related accounts as noted in procedure<br>4.3. Note any exceptions.   | We compared the description of all the debit<br>and credit transactions allocated to the<br>reserve and other related accounts, as<br>reflected in the listing obtained in 4.1 above, to<br>the categories of transactions that are<br>permitted to be allocated to reserves and other<br>related accounts as noted in procedure 4.3<br>and noted no exceptions. |
| 5     | Guarantees  |  |
| 5.1   | Housing loan guarantees<br>Obtain the loan agreement between the<br>Fund and the financial institution from the<br>Fund administrator. Inspect the loan<br>agreement and/or the registered rules as<br>obtained in procedure 4.2 for the maximum<br>allowable percentage of member individual<br>accounts as allowed in terms of rule of the<br>registered rules and/or the loan agreement,<br>and note the percentage. | Not applicable. The Fund does not grant housing loan guarantees to members of the Fund in terms of Section 19(5) of the Act.   |
| 5.2   | Obtain a list of all housing loan guarantee<br>balances granted to members from the loan<br>provider as at 30 June 2024 from the Fund<br>administrator, and select a sample of the<br>lesser of 50 or 10% of the number of housing<br>loan guarantees (selected based on the<br>selection criteria provided above), and<br>perform the following procedures:  | Not applicable. The Fund does not grant housing loan guarantees to its members.  |
| 5.2.1 | Inspect the member's record on the administration system for a flagging of the housing loan guarantee being recorded against the member's name.   | Not applicable. The Fund does not grant housing loan guarantees to its members.  |
| 5.2.2 | Divide the loan amount granted, as noted on<br>the listing in 5.2. above, with the member's<br>individual account balance as per the listing  | Not applicable. The Fund does not grant housing loan guarantees to its members.  |



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|     | in 2.1 and note where the percentage calculated exceeds the maximum allowable percentage noted in 5.1. Note any differences.   |  |
|     | Statement of Changes in Net Assets and Funds   |  |
| 6   | Contributions – not applicable for preservation funds  |  |
| 6.1 | Obtain a list of contributing members' contributions (per month) for the year on the fund administration system, from the Fund administrator (including the investment portfolio(s) selected by the member), that reconcile to the contributions note of the audited annual financial statements, and select a sample of the lesser of 50 or 10% of the number of contributing members (selected based on the selection criteria provided above), and for each member selected perform the following procedures for each of the three months selected under procedure 2.3: | Not applicable as this is a preservation fund. |
| 6.2 | Agree the total amount of contributions per<br>the list above to the general ledger account<br>number and note any differences.  | Not applicable as this is a preservation fund. |
| 6.3 | Inspect the policy/new entrant certificate<br>obtained from the Fund administrator and<br>agree the contributions amount as per the<br>listing obtained in procedure 6.1 to the<br>contributions amount noted on the<br>policy/new entrant certificate. Note any<br>differences.   | Not applicable as this is a preservation fund. |
| 6.4 | Obtain a copy of the member's application<br>form and/or voice recording, detailing the<br>contributions amount and investment<br>portfolios selected, from the Fund<br>administrator and perform the following<br>procedures:   | Not applicable as this is a preservation fund. |



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|       | <ul> <li>Agree the contribution amount per<br/>the copy of the member's application<br/>form and/or voice recording to the<br/>contribution amount reflected on the<br/>listing obtained in 6.1 and note any<br/>differences.</li> </ul>   |   |
|       | • Agree the investment portfolio(s) per<br>the copy of the member's application<br>form and/or voice recording to the<br>investment portfolio(s) reflected on<br>the listing obtained in 6.1 and note<br>any differences.  |   |
| 6.5   | For the sample of members' contributions<br>(per month) selected in 6.1 above, obtain the<br>bank statements from the Fund administrator<br>and inspect the bank statements for a<br>description of or identification of the bank<br>where the contributions were deposited, and<br>perform the following procedure: | Not applicable as this is a preservation fund.  |
| 6.5.1 | Agree the total contribution amount obtained<br>in procedure 6.4 to the total amount reflected<br>on the bank statement obtained in procedure<br>6.5, and note any differences.  | Not applicable as this is a preservation fund.  |
| 7.    | Benefits   |   |
| 7.1   | Obtain a list from the administration system<br>of lump sum benefits per exit type reflected<br>as expenses in the Fund's Statement of<br>Changes in Net Assets and Funds for 30<br>June 2024 from the Fund administrator, and<br>perform the following procedure:   | We obtained a list from the administration<br>system of lump sum benefits per exit type<br>reflected as expenses in the Fund's Statement<br>of Changes in Net Assets and Funds for 30<br>June 2024 from the Fund administrator, and<br>performed the following procedure: |
| 7.1.1 | Agree the list of lump sum benefits per exit<br>type to the respective general ledger benefit<br>expense accounts reconciliation prepared by<br>the Fund administrator. Note any<br>differences.   | The list of lump sum benefits per exit type<br>agreed to the respective general ledger benefit<br>expense accounts reconciliation prepared by<br>the Fund administrator.  |



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| 7.2   | Select a sample of the lesser of 50 or 10% of<br>the total number of lump sum benefits (as per<br>the selection criteria noted above) pro-rated<br>on the number of exits per exit type from the<br>list obtained in 7.1. Obtain the member<br>statements from the administration system<br>from the Fund administrator, and perform the<br>following procedures on the sample<br>selected:                | From the list obtained in 7.1, we selected a<br>sample of 2 exits per type, pro-rated on the<br>number of exits.<br>Withdrawals - 1<br>Retirement - 1<br>We obtained the member statements from the<br>administration system from the Fund<br>administrator, and performed the following<br>procedures on the sample selected:   |
| 7.2.1 | <ul> <li>For each selected benefit compare the following fields:</li> <li>Gross benefit amount;</li> <li>Tax amount;</li> <li>Net benefit amount;</li> <li>Exit date; and</li> <li>Type of benefit</li> <li>to the administration system, signed member exit form and SARS Tax Directives determined by the procedures of the Fund. Note any differences.</li> </ul>                                       | We compared each benefit selected to the<br>administration system signed member exit<br>form and SARS Tax Directives in accordance<br>with the procedures of the Fund for the<br>following fields:<br>• Gross benefit amount;<br>• Tax amount;<br>• Net benefit amount;<br>• Exit date; and<br>• Type of benefit.<br>We noted no differences.  |
|       | <ul> <li>Exit date:</li> <li>i. Agree the exit date per the member's withdrawal form obtained from the Fund administrator to the exit date reflected on the administration system. Note any differences.</li> <li>Tax amount:</li> <li>i. Agree the tax amount related to the benefit per the tax directive obtained from the Fund administrator to the tax amount deducted as reflected on the</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Exit date:</li> <li>The exit date as reflected on the member's withdrawal form obtained from the Fund administrator agreed to the exit date reflected on the administration system.</li> <li>No exceptions were noted.</li> <li>Tax amount:</li> <li>The tax amount related to the benefit per the tax directive obtained from the Fund administrator and agreed to the tax amount deducted as reflected on the administration system.</li> </ul> |



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|       | administration system. Note any differences.  | No exceptions were noted.  |
| 7.2.2 | Retirement annuity funds  |  |
|       | For members who were active during the year ended, perform the following procedures:  | Not applicable. The Fund is a preservation fund.   |
|       | <ul> <li>Obtain the opening fund credit amount<br/>as at the beginning of the year from the<br/>member record on the administration<br/>system from the Fund administrator and<br/>perform procedure iii.</li> </ul>        |  |
|       | <ul> <li>ii. Inspect the member record on the<br/>administration system to confirm that<br/>monthly contributions were added, for<br/>the period up to the date of exit (as per<br/>7.2.1). Note any exceptions.</li> </ul> |  |
|       | iii. Obtain the bank statements reflecting<br>the benefit payments from the Fund<br>administrator and agree the net benefit<br>amount(s) as per procedure 7.2.1 to the<br>bank statements, and note any<br>differences.     |  |
|       | <ul> <li>iv. Inquire with the Fund administrator about<br/>the nature of any differences noted in iii<br/>and note the responses.</li> </ul>  |  |
|       | Preservation funds  |  |
|       | For members who were active, perform the following procedures:  | Preservation funds   |
|       | i. Obtain the bank statements reflecting<br>the benefit payment(s) from the Fund<br>administrator and agree the net benefit<br>amount(s) as per procedure 7.2.1 to the<br>bank statements, and note any<br>differences.     | <ul> <li>For members who were active, we performed the following procedures:</li> <li>i. We obtained the bank statements reflecting the benefit payment(s) from the Fund administrator. The net benefit amount(s) as per procedure 7.2.1 agreed to the bank statements.</li> </ul> |
|       | ii. Inquire with the Fund administrator about<br>the nature of any differences noted in i   |  |



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|       | and note the responses provided (e.g. interest where applicable).   | No exceptions were noted.<br>ii. Not applicable, as no differences were<br>noted in i. |
|       | For members who were paid up and/or deferred, perform the following procedures:   |  |
|       | <ul> <li>Obtain the opening fund credit amount as<br/>at the beginning of the period/year from<br/>the member record on the administration<br/>system.</li> </ul>   | For members who were paid up and/or deferred, we performed the following procedures:   |
|       | ii. Inspect the member record on the administration system to note whether interest was added, for the period up to the date of exit (as per 7.2.1). Note any exceptions.   | Not applicable. There are no paid up or deferred members.                              |
|       | iii. Obtain the bank statements reflecting the<br>benefit payment(s) from the Fund<br>administrator and agree the net benefit<br>amount(s) as per procedure 7.2.1 to the<br>bank statements, and note any<br>differences.   |  |
|       | iv. Inquire with the Fund administrator about<br>the nature of any differences noted in iii<br>and note the responses provided (e.g.<br>interest where applicable).   |  |
| 7.2.3 | In cases where a fund has an investment<br>reserve account and the member was due a<br>surplus amount as per the surplus account<br>listing noted in 3.2, inspect the member's<br>fund credit transactions on the administration<br>system obtained from the Fund administrator<br>to note that the member record was updated<br>with the surplus amount. | Not applicable. The Fund does not have an investment reserve account.                  |
| 7.2.4 | For preservation funds  |  |
|       | From the sample selected in 7.2, determine if the exit related to a withdrawal prior to the   | From the sample selected in 7.2, we determined if the exit related to a withdrawal     |



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|       | retirement age, being 55 years, and perform the following procedures:  | prior to the retirement age, being 55 years, and performed the following procedures:  |
|       | • Inspect the member record on the administration system to note whether the withdrawal prior to the retirement age was the first withdrawal for the member, in line with restrictions on withdrawals as set out in the Income Tax Act.  | • We inspected the member record on the administration system and noted that the withdrawal prior to the retirement age was the first withdrawal for the member, in line with the restrictions on withdrawals as set out in the Income Tax Act.   |
|       | • Inspect the member record on the administration system to confirm that the member record was updated for the reduction in service, the reduction in benefit and appropriately flagged as having received the one withdrawal. Note any exceptions.  | <ul> <li>We inspected the member record on the<br/>administration system and confirmed that<br/>the member record was updated for the<br/>reduction in service, the reduction in<br/>benefit and was appropriately flagged as<br/>having received the one withdrawal.</li> <li>No exceptions were noted.</li> </ul> |
| 7.3   | Obtain a list of current and unclaimed<br>benefits payable, as disclosed in the<br>Statement of Net Assets and Funds, as at 30<br>June 2024 from the Fund administrator, and<br>select a sample of the lesser of 50 or 10% of<br>the total number of benefits from the list<br>(selected based on the selection criteria<br>provided above), and perform the following<br>procedure: | We obtained a list of the current benefits<br>payable as disclosed in the Statement of Net<br>Assets and Funds as at 30 June 2024 from the<br>Fund administrator, selected a sample 1 of the<br>total number of benefits from the list, and<br>performed the following procedure:                                   |
| 7.3.1 | For the sample selected above (excluding death benefits), calculate the number of months that benefit has been unpaid, using the date of exit as the starting month.   | For the sample selected above, we calculated<br>the number of months that benefit has been<br>unpaid, using the date of exit as the starting<br>month, and noted the following:   |
|       | If the benefit is older than 24 months, inspect<br>the listing to confirm that the benefit is<br>classified as an unclaimed benefit.   | No exceptions were noted where the benefits were not classified in the correct category.  |
|       | If the benefit is less than 24 months unpaid,<br>inspect the listing to confirm that the benefit<br>is classified as benefits payable.   |   |
|       | Note any exceptions, if incorrectly classified.  |   |



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| 7.3.2 | For the sample selected above relating to<br>death benefits, calculate the number of<br>months that benefit has been unpaid, using<br>the date of the approved death benefit<br>distribution per the Board of Fund approval<br>obtained from the Fund administrator.   | Not applicable. No death benefits were selected as part of the sample per procedure 7.3.   |
|       | If the benefit is older than 24 months, inspect<br>the listing to confirm that the benefit is<br>classified as an unclaimed benefit.   |  |
|       | If the benefit is less than 24 months unpaid,<br>inspect the listing to confirm that the benefit<br>is classified as benefits payable.   |  |
|       | Note any exceptions, if incorrectly classified.  |  |
| 8.    | Transfers  |  |
| 8.1   | Obtain separate lists of Section 14 transfers<br>to and from the Fund throughout the year<br>from the Fund administrator and agree the<br>totals of the lists to the amounts reflected in<br>the "Transfers into the Fund" and "Transfers<br>from the Fund" notes 2 and note 5 to the<br>audited annual financial statements. Note<br>any differences. | We obtained separate lists of Section 14 transfers to and from the Fund from the Fund administrator and noted that the totals of the lists agreed to the amounts reflected in the "Transfers into the Fund" and "Transfers from the Fund" notes 2 and note 5 to the audited annual financial statements. |
| 8.2   | From the list of Section 14 transfers to and<br>from the Fund throughout the year, select a<br>sample of the lesser of 50 or 10% of the<br>number of transfers in and the lesser of 50 or<br>10% of the number of transfers out (selected<br>based on the selection criteria provided<br>above), and perform the following<br>procedures:              | From the list of Section 14 transfers to and<br>from the Fund throughout the year, we<br>selected a sample of 1 of the number of<br>transfers in and 1 of the number of transfers<br>out, and performed the following procedures:  |
| 8.2.1 | ObtainthefollowingSection14documentation from the Fund administrator:a.Section14(1)transfers:TheSection14(1)application, approval letterfrom the Authority and Form G in respectof each transfer; and/or   | <ul> <li>We obtained the Section 14 documentation from the Fund administrator.</li> <li>The details per the documentation agreed to the following information per the listings: <ul> <li>Name of transferor/transferee fund;</li> <li>Effective date;</li> </ul> </li> </ul>                             |



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|       | <ul> <li>b. Section 14 (8) transfers: The Section 14(8) Form H and J, as prescribed.</li> <li>Agree the following information per the listings to the documentation received: <ul> <li>Name of transferor/transferee fund;</li> <li>Effective date;</li> <li>Approval date;</li> <li>Number of members;</li> <li>Transfer amount; and</li> <li>Growth and investment return.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Note any exceptions.</li> </ul>   | <ul> <li>Approval date;</li> <li>Number of members;</li> <li>Transfer amount; and</li> <li>Growth and investment return.</li> <li>No exceptions were noted.</li> </ul>  |
| 8.2.2 | <ul> <li>Obtain the bank statements for the date of receipt/payment of the Section 14 transfers from the Fund administrator.</li> <li>Recalculate the number of days between the date of approval (as per the Authority approval obtained in 10.2.1) and the day of receipt/payment as per the bank statement.</li> <li>Note any exceptions where the Section 14 transfers to and from the Fund were: <ul> <li>Not received/paid within 60 days of Authority approval for Section 14(1) transfers;</li> <li>Not received/paid within 180 days from the effective date for Section 14(8) transfers; and</li> </ul> </li> <li>Not received/paid within the period as noted in the blanket transfer 60 days from the blanket transfer end date.</li> </ul> | We obtained the bank statements for the date<br>of receipt of the Section 14 transfers from the<br>Fund administrator.<br>We recalculated the number of days between<br>the date of approval (as per the Authority<br>approval obtained in 10.2.1) and the day of the<br>receipt as per the bank statement and the<br>receipts were made within the required<br>periods.<br>No exceptions were noted. |
| 8.2.3 | Inquire from the Fund administrator if the growth and investment return had been allocated from the effective date of the   | We inquired from the Fund administrator if the growth and investment return had been allocated from the effective date of the transfer to the date of the final settlement. We noted  |



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|       | transfer to the date of the final settlement.<br>Note any exceptions.  | that the growth and investment return was allocated.  |
|       |  | No exceptions were noted.   |
| 8.3   | From the list of Section 14 transfers from<br>other funds as per procedure 8.2, select a<br>sample of the lesser of 50 or 10% of the<br>number of members (selected based on the<br>selection criteria provided above), and<br>perform the following procedures:   | From the list of Section 14 transfers from other funds as per procedure 10.2, we selected a sample of 1 of the number of members, and performed the following procedures:   |
| 8.3.1 | In respect of unitised funds   | In respect of unitised funds  |
|       | Recalculate the purchase of units for the<br>amount received by dividing the amount<br>transferred per the listing by the unit price per<br>the administration system on the date of<br>receipt. Agree the recalculated units to the<br>number of units allocated to the member's                                  | We recalculated the purchase of units for the<br>amount received by dividing the amount<br>transferred per the listing by the unit price per<br>the administration system on the date of<br>receipt. The recalculated units agreed to the<br>units per the administration system. |
|       | <ul> <li>individual account on the administration system. Note any differences.</li> <li>In respect of non-unitised funds</li> <li>Agree the transfer amount received per the</li> </ul>   | Transfers were not unitised on the date of receipt. In terms of the SLA, transfers are unitised within 2 days of the date of receipt or receipt of supporting schedules from the transferring fund  |
|       | listing to the amount allocated to the   |   |
|       | member's individual account on the administration system. Note any differences.  | In respect of non-unitised funds  |
|       |  | Not applicable as the fund is a unitised fund.  |
| 8.4   | Individual transfers in  | Individual transfers in   |
|       | Obtain the list of individual transfers in<br>throughout the year ended 30 June 2024<br>from the Fund administrator, select a sample<br>of the lesser of 50 or 10% of the number of<br>individual transfers (selected based on the<br>selection criteria provided above), and<br>perform the following procedures: | We obtained the list of individual transfers in<br>throughout the year ended 30 June 2024 from<br>the Fund administrator, selected a sample of 2<br>of the number of individual transfers, and<br>performed the following procedures:   |
| 8.4.1 | Obtain the recognition of transfer<br>documentation submitted by the transferor<br>fund to the Fund from the Fund administrator.<br>Agree the effective date and amount  | We obtained the recognition of transfer documentation submitted by the transferor fund to the Fund from the Fund administrator.   |



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|       | transferred to the recognition of transfer documentation. Note any exceptions.  | The amount transferred agreed to the recognition of transfer documentation.  |
|       |   | The effective date of the individual transfers in<br>per the recognition of transfer, did not agree to<br>the effective date per the listing. The effective<br>date per the listing is the "Transaction date" for<br>the investment of the transfer following receipt.   |
| 8.4.2 | In respect of unitised funds  | In respect of unitised funds   |
|       | Recalculate the purchase of units for the<br>amount received by dividing the amount<br>transferred per the listing by using the unit<br>price per the administration system on the<br>date of receipt. Agree the recalculated units<br>to the number of units allocated to the<br>member's individual account on the<br>administration system. Note any differences.<br><b>In respect of non-unitised funds</b><br>Agree the transfer amount received per the<br>listing to the amount allocated to the<br>member's individual account on the<br>administration system. Note any differences. | We recalculated the purchase of units for the<br>amount received by dividing the amount<br>transferred per the listing by the unit price per<br>the administration system on the date of<br>receipt. The recalculated units agreed to the<br>units per the administration system.<br>Transfers were not unitised on the date of<br>receipt. In terms of the SLA, transfers are<br>unitised within 2 days of the date of receipt or<br>receipt of supporting schedules from the<br>transferring fund<br><b>In respect of non-unitised funds</b><br>Not applicable as the fund is a unitised fund. |
| 8.5   | Unclaimed benefit payments  | Unclaimed benefit payments   |
|       | Obtain a list of unclaimed benefits paid<br>during the year from the Fund administrator,<br>and perform the following procedures:   | Not applicable. There were no unclaimed benefits paid during the year.   |
| 8.5.1 | Agree the total of the list of payments to the respective general ledger unclaimed benefit accounts reconciliation prepared by the Fund administrator.  | Not applicable. There were no unclaimed benefits paid during the year.   |
| 8.5.2 | Select a sample of the lesser of 50 payments<br>or 10% of the total number of unclaimed<br>benefits paid from the list (selected based on<br>the selection criteria provided above), and<br>perform the following procedure:  | Not applicable. There were no unclaimed benefits paid during the year.   |



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| 8.5.2.1 | For each selected unclaimed benefit paid<br>compare the following fields as reflected on<br>the administrator's listing:   | Not applicable. There were no unclaimed benefits paid during the year.      |
|         | Gross benefit amount;  |   |
|         | • Tax amount; and  |   |
|         | Late payment interest (if applicable)  |   |
|         | to the administration system and the<br>authorised supporting documentation, such<br>as the signed member exit form and SARS<br>Tax Directives.  |   |
| 8.6     | Unclaimed benefit transfers  | Unclaimed benefit transfers   |
|         | Obtain a list of unclaimed benefits Section 14 transfers during the year from the Fund administrator and from the list of unclaimed benefits Section 14 transfers paid/accrued from the Fund throughout the year, select a sample of the lesser of 50 or 10% of the number of transfers out,(selected based on the selection criteria provided above), and perform the following procedures: | Not applicable. There were no unclaimed benefits transfers during the year. |
| 8.6.1   | ObtainthefollowingSection14documentation from the Fund administrator:a.Section14(1)transfers:The   | Not applicable. There were no unclaimed benefits transfers during the year. |
|         | Section 14(1) application, approval letter from the Authority and Form G in respect of each transfer; and/or   |   |
|         | b. Section 14(8) transfers: The Section 14(8) Form H and J, as prescribed.   |   |
|         | Agree the following information per the listings to the documentation received:  |   |
|         | Name of transferor/transferee fund;  |   |
|         | Effective date;  |   |
|         | <ul> <li>Approval date;</li> </ul>   |   |



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|       | Number of members;  |   |
|       | <ul> <li>Transfer amount; and</li> </ul>  |   |
|       | Growth and investment return.   |   |
|       | Note any exceptions.  |   |
| 8.6.2 | Obtain the bank statements for the date of receipt/payment of the Section 14 transfers from the Fund administrator.   | Not applicable. There were no unclaimed benefits transfers during the year. |
|       | Recalculate the number of days between the date of approval (as per the Authority approval obtained in 10.2.1) and the day of receipt/payment as per the bank statement.  |   |
|       | Note any exceptions where the unclaimed benefits Section 14 transfers from the Fund were:   |   |
|       | <ul> <li>Not paid within 60 days of Authority<br/>approval for Section 14(1) transfers;<br/>and</li> </ul>  |   |
|       | <ul> <li>Not paid within 180 days from the<br/>effective date for Section 14(8)<br/>transfers.</li> </ul>   |   |
| 8.6.3 | Inquire from the Fund administrator if the growth and investment return had been allocated from the effective date of the transfer to the date of the final settlement. Note any exceptions.  | Not applicable. There were no unclaimed benefits transfers during the year. |
| 9     | Pensioners paid   |   |
| 9.1   | Obtain the pensioner payment reconciliation<br>(inclusive of in-fund annuities purchased in<br>the name of the fund and living annuities) for<br>pensions reflected as expenses in the<br>Benefits note as reflected in the audited<br>annual financial statements from the Fund<br>administrator for the year ended 30 June<br>2024, and perform the following procedures: | Not applicable. The Fund did not make pensioner payments.                   |



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| 9.1.1 | Agree the total pension expense per the reconciliation to the total pension expense per the pension expenses general ledger account. Note any differences and/or unexplained reconciliation items.  | Not applicable. The Fund did not make pensioner payments. |
| 9.2   | In-fund pensioners  | In-fund pensioners  |
|       | Obtain a detailed pensioner payroll listing<br>reflecting the pensioner's name,<br>identification number and monthly pension<br>amount for the year ended 30 June 2024<br>from the Fund administrator and agree the<br>total pensions amount paid to the total<br>pension amount paid on the reconciliation<br>obtained in procedure 9.1. | Not applicable. The Fund did not make pensioner payments. |
|       | From the above list, select a sample of the lesser of 50 or 10% of the number of pensioners (selected based on the selection criteria provided above), and perform the following procedures:  |   |
| 9.2.1 | Obtain the Board of Fund minutes or<br>resolution from the Fund administrator and<br>note the pension increase percentage and<br>the effective date of the pension increase.  | Not applicable. The Fund did not make pensioner payments. |
| 9.2.2 | Inspect the administration system or observe<br>the Fund administrator indicating on the<br>administration system the pension increase<br>granted to the pensioners. Note the<br>percentage increase granted to the<br>pensioners and the effective date of the<br>pension increase.  | Not applicable. The Fund did not make pensioner payments. |
| 9.2.3 | Agree the percentage increase and effective date noted in procedure 9.2.1 to the percentage increase and effective date noted in procedure 9.2.2.   | Not applicable. The Fund did not make pensioner payments. |
| 9.2.4 | Inquire from the Fund administrator when the<br>most recent (closest to year-end of the Fund)<br>Certificate of Existence or Department of  | Not applicable. The Fund did not make pensioner payments. |



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|       | Home Affairs confirmation that indicates the alive status of the pensioners was obtained for the Fund and note the date.  |  |  |  |  |
| 9.2.5 | Obtain the Certificate of Existence or<br>Department of Home Affairs documentation<br>noted in procedure 9.2.4 from the Fund<br>administrator and inspect for the pensioners'<br>names and/or identification numbers of the<br>sample pensioners.   | Not applicable. The Fund did not make pensioner payments.                      |  |  |  |
| 9.3   | Annuities purchased in the name of the Fund   | Annuities purchased in the name of the Fund                                    |  |  |  |
|       | Obtain an external confirmation from the<br>annuity providers summarising the<br>movements from the opening market value to<br>the closing market value for the year, and<br>perform the following procedures:  | Not applicable as the fund has no annuities purchased in the name of the Fund. |  |  |  |
| 9.3.1 | Agree the closing market value of the annuity<br>per the external confirmation from the<br>annuity providers to the annuities purchased<br>general ledger account. Note any<br>differences.   | purchased in the name of the Fund.   |  |  |  |
| 9.3.2 | Agree the pension expense per the external confirmation from the annuity providers to the pension expense on the pensioner reconciliation obtained in procedure 9.1. Note any differences.  | Not applicable as the fund has no annuities purchased in the name of the Fund. |  |  |  |
| 9.4   | Living annuities in the fund  | Living annuities in the fund   |  |  |  |
|       | Obtain a detailed pensioner payroll listing<br>reflecting the pensioner's name,<br>identification number, monthly pension and<br>pension payment start date of pensioners in<br>receipt of a living annuity from the Fund<br>administrator and agree the total pension<br>amount on the detailed pensioner payroll<br>listing of pensioners in receipt of a living<br>annuity to the pension amount paid on the | Not applicable as the fund has no living annuities in the Fund.                |  |  |  |



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|         | pensioner reconciliation obtained in procedure 9.1. Note any differences.   |   |
| 9.4.1   | New living annuities in the fund  | New living annuities in the fund                                |
|         | From the listing obtained in procedure 9.4, select a sample (selected based on the selection criteria provided above) of the lesser of 50 or 10% of the number of new pensioners in receipt of a living annuity, obtain the detailed pensioner record/statement for the year reflecting the drawdown rate, monthly pensions paid, the balance of the pension from the Fund administrator, and perform the following procedures: | Not applicable as the fund has no living annuities in the Fund. |
| 9.4.1.1 | Obtain the document reflecting the pensioners' chosen drawdown rate at retirement of the new pensioners in receipt of a living annuity.   | Not applicable as the fund has no living annuities in the Fund. |
| 9.4.1.2 | Agree the drawdown rate reflected on the pensioner record/statement obtained in procedure 9.4.1 to the drawdown rate obtained in procedure 9.4.1.1, and note any differences.   | Not applicable as the fund has no living annuities in the Fund. |
| 9.4.2.  | All living annuities in the Fund  | All living annuities in the Fund                                |
|         | From the listing obtained in procedure 9.4, select a sample (selected based on the selection criteria provided above) of the lesser of 50 or 10% of the number of pensioners in receipt of a living annuity, obtain the detailed pensioner record/statement for the year reflecting the drawdown rate, monthly pensions paid, the balance of the pension from the Fund administrator, and perform the following procedures:     | Not applicable as the fund has no living annuities in the Fund. |
| 9.4.2.1 | Compare the drawdown rate, as reflected in the detailed pensioner record/statement  | Not applicable as the fund has no living annuities in the Fund. |



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|         | obtained in procedure 9.4.1, to the living<br>annuities drawdown rates as defined in<br>Section 1 of the Income Tax Act and/or the<br>Authority's Conduct Standard on Living<br>Annuities.   |  |
|         | Note any exceptions where the drawdown<br>rate as per the administration system is<br>higher or lower than those defined in Section<br>1 of the Income Tax Act and/or the<br>Authority's Conduct Standard on the<br>conditions for living annuities.   |  |
| 9.4.2.2 | Recalculate the drawdown rate by dividing<br>the monthly pension paid by the balance of<br>pensions as reflected in the pensioner<br>record/statement obtained in procedure<br>9.4.1. Agree the recalculated drawdown rate<br>to the drawdown rate reflected on the<br>record/statement obtained in procedure<br>9.4.1. Note any exceptions. | Not applicable as the fund has no living annuities in the Fund.  |
| 9.4.2.3 | Obtain the Certificate of Existence or<br>Department of Home Affairs noted in<br>procedure 9.2.4 from the Fund administrator<br>and inspect for the pensioner's name and/or<br>identification number. Note any exceptions.   | Not applicable as the fund has no living annuities in the Fund.  |
| 10      | General  |  |
| 10.1    | Obtain a copy of the fund's fidelity insurance<br>cover from the Fund administrator for the<br>year ended 30 June 2024, and inspect the<br>period of the cover (start date and end date).<br>Note instances where the cover period does  | We obtained a copy of the fund's fidelity<br>insurance cover from the Fund administrator<br>and inspected the period of the cover 01 July<br>2023 to 30 June 2024. The period of the cover<br>per the policy extended to the year-end. The<br>Fund's fidelity insurance cover was in place |
|         | not extend to the year-end. Note the date on which the cover is in place.  | until 30 June 2025.  |
| 10.2    | Inquire from the Fund administrator the date<br>of the latest statutory actuarial valuation, and<br>when it was submitted to the Authority. Note   | We inquired from the Fund administrator and<br>noted that the valuation exemption was<br>approved by the Authority on 24 June 2022.  |



|        | Procedures  | Findings  |
|--------|---|---|
|        | the date of the valuation and the date of submission to the Authority.  |   |
|        | Where the Fund is valuation exempt, inquire<br>from the Fund administrator when the<br>valuation exemption was approved by the<br>Authority and note the date.  |   |
| 10.2.1 | Obtain a copy of the latest statutory valuation<br>from the Fund administrator as noted in<br>procedure 10.2 and inspect the valuation<br>report for the funding status of the Fund<br>(whether the Fund was under-funded or fully<br>funded).  | Not applicable as the Fund is valuation exempt. |
| 10.2.2 | Where the Fund is under-funded per the valuation report, inquire from the Fund administrator as to whether a scheme, as required in terms of Section 18 of the Act, has been approved by the Authority. Note any exceptions.  | Not applicable as the Fund is valuation exempt. |
| 10.2.3 | Where a scheme as required by Section 18<br>of the Act has been approved by the<br>Authority, inquire from the Fund<br>administrator as to whether the<br>recommendations/corrective actions of the<br>scheme as required in terms of Section 18 of<br>the Act have been implemented. Note any<br>exceptions. | Not applicable as the Fund is valuation exempt. |

# Johannes Grove

JJ Grove Director Registered Auditor Johannesburg, South Africa *9 December 2024* 

Schedules to the Annual Financial Statements

For the period ended 30 June 2024

### Investment summary schedule

|  | Note | Direct investments<br>R | Non-compliant<br>collective<br>investment schemes<br>R<br>2 | Non-compliant<br>insurance policies<br>R | Compliant<br>investments<br>R | Total<br>R  |
|--|------|-------------------------|---|--|-------------------------------|-------------|
| Cash (including cash at bank)            | 1    | 90 055                  | 5 4 793 676   | 0  |                               | 4 883 731   |
| Debt instruments including Islamic debt  |      |                         |   |  |                               |             |
| instruments                              |      | C                       | ) 29 837 881  | 0  |                               | 29 837 881  |
| Investment properties and owner-occupied |      |                         |   |  |                               |             |
| properties                               |      | C                       | ) 17 382 081  | 0  |                               | 17 382 081  |
| Equities                                 |      | C                       | 109 906 538   | 0  |                               | 109 906 538 |
| TOTAL INVESTMENTS                        | -    | 90 055                  | i 161 920 176   | 0  | 0                             | 162 010 231 |

### Non-compliant portfolios

The Fund's assets disclosed as non-compliant insurance policies and collective investment schemes have been disclosed as such because:

i) The Fund's investments outside the Republic were in temporary breach at the Fund's year end due to market movements. The Act allows such breaches due to market movements, provided that:

- The Financial Sector Conduct Authority was notified of the breach,
- there has been no additional investment into the portfolios, and
- the breach will be corrected within 12 months or

ii) The Fund was unable to obtain the audit certificates timeously from the Investment Administrators' auditors. The Fund continues sourcing these certificates.

For the portfolios disclosed as non-compliant, the Fund has obtained the look through to the underlying investments and is shown as such in Schedule IB. The Fund notes that the "non-compliant" label does not suggest that the Fund is contravening any requirements of Regulation 28 or the Pension Funds Act (non-compliance with limits is highlighted in the section of IB dealing with non-compliances). Compliance with Regulation 28 is disclosed in Schedule IB.

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## Investment summary schedule (continued)

|  | Local<br>R  | Total foreign<br>R | Foreign Africa<br>R | Total percentage<br>foreign exposure<br>% | Reconciling<br>items between<br>Schedule IA and<br>IB<br>R | Total as per<br>Regulation 28<br>(Schedule IB)<br>R |
|--|-------------|--------------------|---------------------|---|--|---|
| Cash (including cash at bank)            | 4 909 148   | (25 417)           | (                   | 0 (0.52)%                                 | 0  | 4 883 731   |
| Debt instruments including Islamic debt  |             |                    |                     |   |  |   |
| instruments                              | 22 516 647  | 7 321 234          | (                   | 0 24.54%                                  | (1)  | 29 837 880  |
| Investment properties and owner-occupied |             |                    |                     |   |  |   |
| properties                               | 13 884 303  | 3 497 778          | (                   | 0 20.12%                                  | 1  | 17 382 082  |
| Equities                                 | 75 944 946  | 33 961 592         | (                   | 0 30.90%                                  | 0  | 109 906 538   |
| TOTAL INVESTMENTS                        | 117 255 044 | 44 755 187         |                     | 0 27.62%                                  | 0  | 162 010 231   |

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| 1. Cash   | Fair value<br>R         |
|---|-------------------------|
| Local<br>Notes, deposits, money market instruments issued by a South African bank, margin accounts, settlement accounts with an exchange<br>and Islamic liquidity management financial instruments<br>Notes and coins, any balance or deposit in an account held with a South African bank<br>First National Bank | <b>90 055</b><br>90 055 |
| Total cash  | 90 055                  |

# SCHEDULE IA OUTVEST PROVIDENT PRESERVATION FUND

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## 2. Regulation 28 non-compliant investments

| Instrument                           | Local<br>R  | Foreign<br>R | Fair value<br>R |
|--------------------------------------|-------------|--------------|-----------------|
| Collective investment schemes        | 117 164 989 | 44 755 187   | 161 920 176     |
| CoreSolutions OUTcautious Index Fund | 3 515 764   | 1 050 326    | 4 566 090       |
| CoreSolutions OUTmoderate Index Fund | 97 112 986  | 37 999 258   | 135 112 244     |
| CoreSolutions OUTstable Index Fund   | 15 321 518  | 5 693 473    | 21 014 991      |
| Granate BCI Money Market Fund D      | 1 214 721   | 12 130       | 1 226 851       |
| Total non-compliant investments      | 117 164 989 | 44 755 187   | 161 920 176     |

## SCHEDULE IA OUTVEST PROVIDENT PRESERVATION FUND Registration number: 12/8/38214 Schedules to the Annual Financial Statements For the period ended 30 June 2024

## Risk management Credit/counter party risk

| Counter party  | Direct investment in<br>counter party<br>R | Any other<br>instrument<br>R | Total for counter<br>party<br>R | Exposure to counter<br>party as a % of the<br>fair value of the<br>Fund<br>% |
|--|--|------------------------------|---------------------------------|--|
| Banks  | 00.055                                     | 0                            | 00.055                          | 0.00%  |
| First National Banl  | 90 055                                     | 0                            | 90 055                          | 0.06%  |
| Asset managers – local<br>CoreSolutions Asset Management<br>Granate Asset Management | 0<br>0                                     | 160 693 324<br>1 235 508     | 160 693 324<br>1 235 508        | •••••  |
| Other financial instruments  |  |                              |                                 |  |
| List of the largest rand value other financial instruments                           |  |                              |                                 |  |
|  |  |                              | Fair value<br>R                 | Market movement<br>by 5%<br>R  |
| CoreSolutions OUTmoderate Index Fund   |  |                              | 135 112 245                     |  |
| CoreSolutions OUTstable Index Fund   |  |                              | 21 014 990                      |  |
| CoreSolutions OUTcautious Index Fund   |  |                              | 4 566 089                       | 228 304  |
| Granate BCI Money Market Fund D  |  |                              | 1 226 852                       | 61 343   |
| First National Bank  |  |                              | 90 055                          | 4 503  |
| Total value of largest other financial instruments                                   |  |                              | 162 010 231                     | 8 100 512  |
| Total movement as % of non-current assets plus bank                                  |  |                              |                                 | 5.00%  |

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### Reconciliation between the investment note HA and schedule IA summary

|  | Fair value as per<br>Investment note<br>R | Cash at bank<br>R | Non-compliant Collective<br>investment schemes<br>R | Total<br>R  |
|--|---|-------------------|---|-------------|
| Cash (including cash at bank)  | 0   | 90 055            | 4 793 676   | 4 883 731   |
| Debt instruments including Islamic debt<br>instruments<br>Investment properties and owner-occupied | 0   |                   | 29 837 881  | 29 837 881  |
| properties   | 0   |                   | 17 382 081  | 17 382 081  |
| Equities   | 0   |                   | 109 906 538   | 109 906 538 |
| Collective investment schemes  | 161 920 176                               |                   | (161 920 176)                                       | 0           |
| TOTAL INVESTMENTS  | 161 920 176                               | 90 055            | 0   | 162 010 231 |



## Independent Auditor's Reasonable Assurance Report on Assets Held in Compliance with Regulation 28 of the Pension Funds Act No. 24 of 1956, as amended

To the Board of Fund of OUTvest Provident Preservation Fund

#### Report on Compliance of Schedule IB with Regulation 28 of the Act

We have undertaken our engagement in accordance with Section 15 of the Pension Funds Act No. 24 of 1956, as amended (the Act) in order to provide the Board of Fund of OUTvest Provident Preservation Fund (the Fund) with a reasonable assurance opinion that Schedule IB "Assets held in compliance with Regulation 28" (the Schedule) on pages 76 to 85 at 30 June 2024 is prepared in all material respects in accordance with Regulation 28 (3)(a), (3)(c), (3)(e)-(i), (3)(iB), (3)(j), (4), (8)(a) and (9) of the Act, and the Fund has complied, in all material respects, with Regulation 28 (3)(a), (3)(c), (3)(e)-(i), (3)(iB), (3)(j), (4), (8)(a) and (9) as at 30 June 2024.

#### The Board of Fund's responsibility for the Schedule

The Board of Fund is responsible for ensuring that the Schedule is prepared in accordance with Regulation 28 (3)(a), (3)(c), (3)(e)-(i), (3)(iB), (3)(j), (4), (8)(a) and (9) and for compliance of the Fund with Regulation 28 (3)(a), (3)(c), (3)(e)-(i), (3)(iB), (3)(j), (4), (8)(a) and (9). This responsibility includes the design, implementation and maintenance of internal controls relevant to the preparation of the Schedule that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

#### Our Independence and Quality Management

We have complied with the independence and other ethical requirements of the Code of Professional Conduct for Registered Auditors issued by the Independent Regulatory Board for Auditors (IRBA Code), which is founded on fundamental principles of integrity, objectivity, professional competence and due care, confidentiality and professional behaviour. The IRBA Code is consistent with the corresponding sections of the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants' International Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including International Independence Standards).

The firm applies the International Standard on Quality Management 1, Quality Management for Firms that Perform Audits or Reviews of Financial Statements, or Other Assurance or Related Services Engagements, which requires the firm to 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 express an opinion on whether the Schedule is prepared in accordance with Regulation 28 (3)(a), (3)(c), (3)(e)-(i), (3)(iB), (3)(j), (4), (8)(a) and (9) and whether the Fund complies with Regulation 28 (3)(a), (3)(c), (3)(e)-(i), (3)(iB), (3)(j), (4), (8)(a) and (9) based on performing a reasonable assurance engagement.

We performed our reasonable assurance engagement in accordance with the International Standard on Assurance Engagements 3000 (Revised), Assurance Engagements Other than Audits or Reviews of Historical Financial Information (ISAE 3000 (Revised)) issued by the International Auditing and Assurance Standards Board. That standard requires that we plan and perform this engagement to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the Schedule is prepared in accordance with Regulation

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28 (3)(a), (3)(c), (3)(e)-(i), (3)(iB), (3)(j), (4), (8)(a) and (9) and whether the Fund complies with Regulation 28 (3)(a), (3)(c), (3)(e)-(i), (3)(iB), (3)(j), (4), (8)(a) and (9).

A reasonable assurance engagement in accordance with ISAE 3000 (Revised) involves performing procedures to obtain sufficient appropriate evidence that the Schedule is prepared in accordance with Regulation 28 (3)(a), (3)(c), (3)(e)-(i), (3)(iB), (3)(j), (4), (8)(a) and (9) and that the Fund complies with Regulation 28 (3)(a), (3)(c), (3)(e)-(i), (3)(iB), (3)(j), (4), (8)(a) and (9). The nature, timing and extent of procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement, including the assessment of the risks of non-compliance with Regulation 28 (3)(a), (3)(c), (3)(c), (3)(e)-(i), (3)(iB), (3)(j), (4), (8)(a) and (9), whether due to fraud and error. In making those risk assessments we consider internal control relevant to the engagement in order to design procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control.

#### Summary of work performed

We completed our audit of the annual financial statements of the OUTvest Provident Preservation Fund for the year ended 30 June 2024, prepared in accordance with the Regulatory Reporting Requirements for Retirement Funds in South Africa, on which we issued an unmodified opinion on 9 December 2024. That audit was performed in accordance with International Standards on Auditing. Where appropriate, we have drawn on evidence obtained regarding information contained in the Schedule that has been extracted from the Fund's underlying accounting records that were the subject of our audit engagement on the annual financial statements and forms the subject matter of this engagement.

We have performed such additional procedures as we considered necessary which included:

- Evaluating whether confirmations from financial institutions are in support of the records made available to us;
- Evaluating whether the investments are classified correctly per the categories of Schedule IB based on information obtained about the nature of investments from the financial institutions;
- Recalculating the percentages of assets held in relation to total assets; and
- Comparing the percentages calculated to the prescribed limits.

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

#### Opinion

In our opinion, the Schedule IB "Assets held in compliance with Regulation 28" at 30 June 2024 is prepared in all material respects in accordance with Regulation 28 (3)(a), (3)(c), (3)(e)-(i), (3)(iB), (3)(j), (4), (8)(a) and (9) of the Act, and the Fund has complied, in all material respects, with Regulation 28 (3)(a), (3)(c), (3)(e)-(i), (3)(iB), (3)(j), (4), (8)(a) and (9) as at 30 June 2024.



#### Other matter – Compliance with regulations 28(3)(iA) and 28(8)(b)

Regulation 28(3)(iA) states that the aggregate exposure by a Fund to all issuers in respect of direct infrastructure, across all asset categories, excluding any debt instrument issued or guaranteed by the South African Government, may not exceed 45% of the aggregate fair value of the total assets of the Fund. Regulation 28(8)(b) requires the Fund to report its infrastructure assets, with respect to the top 20 holdings, in the format specified in Table 2. The definition of 'infrastructure' in the amended Regulation 28 as prescribed in Government Gazette No.46649 of 1 July 2022, which became effective on 3 January 2023 does not provide criteria for the identification and classification of infrastructure. As a result, compliance with Regulations 28(3)(iA) and 28(8)(b) was excluded from the scope of our assurance engagement. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

#### Restriction on use

Without modifying our opinion we emphasise that Schedule IB is designed to meet the information needs of the Board of Fund for the purpose of reporting to the Financial Sector Conduct Authority (FSCA). As a result our report is not suitable for another purpose. Our report is presented solely for the information of the Board of Fund for the purpose of reporting to the FSCA.

### Pricewaterhouse Coopers Inc

PricewaterhouseCoopers Inc. Director: Johannes Grové Registered Auditor Johannesburg, South Africa 9 December 2024

## Assets held in compliance with Regulation 28 For the period ended 30 June 2024

|    |   | R           |
|----|---|-------------|
| Α  | Total assets (Schedule IA - Total investments)  | 162 010 231 |
| B1 | Less: Regulation 28 compliant investments<br>(certificate received from issuing entity):-                     | 0           |
|    | B1.1 Collective Investment Schemes (Regulation 28(8)(b)(i))<br>B1.2 Linked policies (Regulation 28(8)(b)(ii)) | 0           |
|    | B1.3 Guaranteed policies (Regulation 28(8)(b)(iii))   | 0           |
|    | B1.4 Entity regulated by Financial Sector Conduct Authority (Regulation 28(8)(b)(iv))                         | 0           |
| B2 | Less: Regulation 28 excluded investments  | 0           |
|    | B2.1 Insurance policies (Regulation 28(3)(c))   | 0           |
| С  | Less: Investments not disclosed or data not available for disclosure (IA.13)                                  | 0           |
| D  | TOTAL ASSETS FOR REGULATION 28 DISCLOSURE   | 162 010 231 |

| Categories of kinds of assets  | %               | Fair value<br>R | Fair<br>value<br>% |
|--|-----------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| 1 Cash   | 100%            | 4 883 731       | 3.01%              |
| 1.1 Local notes, deposits, money market<br>instruments issued by a South African bank,<br>margin accounts, settlement accounts with<br>an exchange and Islamic liquidity |                 |                 |                    |
| management financial instruments<br>(a) Notes and coins, any balance or<br>deposit in an account held with a   | 100%            | 4 909 148       | 3.03%              |
| South African bank<br>(b) A money market instrument issued by<br>a South African bank including an<br>Islamic liquidity management financial                             | 100%            | 407 992         | 0.25%              |
| instrument   | 100%            | 4 501 156       | 2.78%              |
| Nedbank Group Ltd  | 25%             | 1 665 756       | 1.03%              |
| <ul> <li>(c) Any positive net balance in a margin account with an exchange</li> <li>(d) Any positive net balance in a settlement account with an exchange,</li> </ul>    | 100%            | <u>0</u>        | 0.00%              |
| operated for the buying and selling of assets  | 100%            | <u>0</u>        | 0.00%              |
| 1.2 Foreign balances or deposits, money<br>market instruments issued by a foreign<br>bank including Islamic liquidity management   | SARB<br>maximum |                 |                    |
| financial instruments  | limits          | (25 417)        | (0.02)%            |
| (a) Any balance or deposit held with a foreign bank  |                 | (25 417)        | (0.02)%            |
| JP Morgan  | 5%              | (25 417)        | (0.02)%            |

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| Categories of kinds of assets (continued)   | %  | Fair value<br>R | Fair<br>value<br>% |
|---|--|-----------------|--------------------|
| <ul> <li>(b) Any balance or deposit held with an<br/>African bank</li> <li>(c) A money market instrument issued by<br/>a foreign bank including an Islamic<br/>liquidity management financial</li> </ul>  |  | 0               | 0.00%              |
| instrument  |  | 0               | 0.00%              |
| 2 Debt Instruments including Islamic debt<br>instruments  | 100%<br>issued /<br>guaranteed<br>by Republic<br>otherwise |                 |                    |
| 2.1 Inside the Republic   | 75%  | 29 837 880      | 18.42%             |
| (a) Debt instruments issued by, and<br>loans to, the government of the<br>Republic, and any debt or loan  | 75/100%  | 22 516 646      | 13.90%             |
| guaranteed by the Republic<br>(b) Debt instruments issued or<br>guaranteed by the government of a   | 100%   | 21 450 924      | 13.24%             |
| foreign country   | 75%<br>10%   |                 | 0.00%              |
| <ul> <li>(c) Debt instruments issued or<br/>guaranteed by a South African bank<br/>against its balance sheet</li> <li>(i) Listed on an exchange with an<br/>issuer market capitalisation of R20<br/>billion or more, or an amount or</li> </ul> | 75%  | 464 053         | 0.29%              |
| conditions as prescribed  | 75%  | 464 053         | 0.29%              |
| Standard Bank Group Limited (STD)<br>(ii) Listed on an exchange with an<br>issuer market capitalisation of<br>between R2 billion and R20 billion, or<br>an amount or conditions as  | 25%  | 368 382         | 0.23%              |
| prescribed<br>(iii) Listed on an exchange with an<br>issuer market capitalisation of less<br>than R2 billion, or an amount or   | 75%  | <u>0</u>        | 0.00%              |
| conditions as prescribed<br>(iv) Not listed on an exchange  | 75%<br>25%   | <u> </u>        | 0.00%              |
| (d) Debt instruments issued or<br>guaranteed by an entity that has<br>equity listed on an exchange, or debt<br>instruments issued or guaranteed by<br>a public entity under the Dublic  | 500/   | F04.050         | 0.05%              |
| a public entity under the Public  | 50%  | 564 856         | 0.35%              |

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| Categories of kinds of assets (continued)                         | %       | Fair value<br>R | Fair<br>value<br>% |
|---|---------|-----------------|--------------------|
| Finance Management Act, 1999 (Act<br>No. 1 of 1999) as prescribed |         |                 |                    |
| (i) Listed on an exchange   | 50%     | 274 031         | 0.17%              |
| Transnet Limited  | 10%     | 184 869         | 0.11%              |
|   | 25%     | 290 825         | 0.18%              |
| (ii) Not listed on an exchange                                    |         |                 |                    |
| Shoprite Holdings Limited   | 5%      | 290 732         | 0.18%              |
| (e) Other debt instruments:                                       | 25%     | 36 813          | 0.02%              |
| (i) Listed on an exchange   | 25%     | 36 813          | 0.02%              |
| The Thekwini Warehousing Conduit                                  |         |                 |                    |
| (RF) Limited  | 5%      | 36 813          | 0.02%              |
| (ii) Not listed on an exchange                                    | 15%     |                 | 0.00%              |
| (ii) Not instea on an exchange                                    | 1070    |                 | 0.0070             |
| 2.2 Outside the Republic  | SARB    |                 |                    |
|   | maximum |                 |                    |
|   | limits  | 7 321 234       | 4.52%              |
| (a) Debt instruments issued by and                                | 1111115 | 7 321 234       | 4.52 /0            |
| (a) Debt instruments issued by, and                               | SARB    |                 |                    |
| loans to, the government of the                                   | -       |                 |                    |
| Republic, and any debt or loan                                    | maximum |                 | 0.000/             |
| guaranteed by the Republic  | limits  | 0               | 0.00%              |
| (b) Debt instruments issued or                                    | SARB    |                 |                    |
| guaranteed by the government of a                                 | maximum |                 | 4 500/             |
| foreign country   | limits  | 7 321 234       | 4.52%              |
| iShares Global Govt Bond UCITS                                    | 10%     | 7 321 234       | 4.52%              |
| (c) Debt instruments issued or                                    | SARB    |                 |                    |
| guaranteed by a South African bank                                | maximum |                 |                    |
| against its balance sheet   | limits  | 0               | 0.00%              |
| <ul><li>(i) Listed on an exchange with an</li></ul>               |         |                 |                    |
| issuer market capitalisation of R20                               | SARB    |                 |                    |
| billion or more, or an amount or                                  | maximum |                 |                    |
| conditions as prescribed  | limits  | 0               | 0.00%              |
| (ii) Listed on an exchange with an                                |         |                 |                    |
| issuer market capitalisation of                                   |         |                 |                    |
| between R2 billion and R20 billion, or                            | SARB    |                 |                    |
| an amount or conditions as  | maximum |                 |                    |
| prescribed  | limits  | 0               | 0.00%              |
| ,<br>(iii) Listed on an exchange with an                          |         |                 |                    |
| issuer market capitalisation of less                              | SARB    |                 |                    |
| than R2 billion, or an amount or                                  | maximum |                 |                    |
| conditions as prescribed  | limits  | 0               | 0.00%              |
| (iv) Not listed on an exchange                                    | 25%     |                 | 0.00%              |
|   |         |                 |                    |
| (d) Debt instruments issued or                                    | SARB    |                 |                    |
| guaranteed by an entity that has                                  | maximum |                 |                    |
| equity listed on an exchange                                      | limits  | 0               | 0.00%              |
| (i) Listed on an exchange   | SARB    | 0               | 0.00%              |

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| Categories of kinds of assets (continued)  | %                         | Fair value<br>R | Fair<br>value<br>% |
|--|---------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|
|  | maximum                   |                 |                    |
|  | limits                    |                 |                    |
| (ii) Not listed on an exchange   | 25%                       | 0               | 0.00%              |
| (e) Other debt instruments   | 25%                       | 0               | 0.00%              |
| (i) Listed on an exchange  | 25%                       | 0               | 0.00%              |
| (ii) Not listed on an exchange   | 15%                       | 0               | 0.00%              |
| 3 Equities   | 75%                       | 109 906 538     | 67.84%             |
| 3.1 Inside the Republic  | 75%                       | 75 944 947      | 46.88%             |
| <ul> <li>(a) Preference and ordinary shares in<br/>companies, excluding shares in<br/>property companies, listed on an</li> </ul>        |                           |                 |                    |
| exchange   | 75%                       | 75 944 947      | 46.88%             |
| (i) Issuer market capitalisation of R20 billion or more, or an amount or   |                           |                 |                    |
| conditions as prescribed   | 75%                       | 71 123 435      | 43.90%             |
| Anglo American Plc (Agl)<br>(ii) Issuer market capitalisation of<br>between R2 billion and R20 billion, or<br>an amount or conditions as | 15%                       | 6 825 875       | 4.21%              |
| prescribed<br>Standard Bank Group Limited Pref   | 75%                       | 2 714 662       | 1.68%              |
| (Sbpp)<br>(iii) Issuer market capitalisation of  | 10%                       | 769 217         | 0.47%              |
| less than R2 billion, or an amount or conditions as prescribed   | 75%                       | 2 106 850       | 1.30%              |
| Invicta Holdings Holdings Ltd Pref<br>Shares (Ivtp)  | 5%                        | 546 178         | 0.34%              |
| (b) Preference and ordinary shares in<br>companies, excluding shares in<br>property companies, not listed on an<br>exchange              | 10%                       | 0               | 0.00%              |
| exchange   | 10%                       |                 | 0.00%              |
| 3.2 Outside the Republic   | SARB<br>maximum<br>limits | 33 961 591      | 20.96%             |
| <ul> <li>(a) Preference and ordinary shares in<br/>companies, excluding shares in<br/>property companies, listed on an</li> </ul>        | SARB                      |                 |                    |
| exchange<br>(i)Issuer market capitalisation of R20   | limits<br>SARB            | 33 961 591      | 20.96%             |
| billion or more, or an amount or conditions as prescribed  | maximum<br>limits         | 33 961 591      | 20.96%             |

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| Categories of kinds of assets (continued)  | %   | Fair value<br>R  | Fair<br>value<br>%  |
|--|---|--|---|
| Microsoft Corporation<br>Apple Incorporated<br>Nvidia Corporation<br>Amazon.com Incorporation<br>Meta Platforms Incorportaion - A<br>Alphabet Incorporation - A<br>Alphabet Incorporation - C<br>Eli Lilly & Co<br>Taiwan Semiconductor<br>Manufacturing<br>Broadcom Incorporated                            | 15%<br>15%<br>15%<br>15%<br>15%<br>15%<br>15%<br>15%<br>15% | 1 008 935<br>931 314<br>890 481<br>528 111<br>338 270<br>334 135<br>273 470<br>232 330<br>216 808<br>209 917 | 0.62%<br>0.57%<br>0.55%<br>0.33%<br>0.21%<br>0.21%<br>0.17%<br>0.14%<br>0.13% |
| Berkshire Hathaway Incorporated - B<br>JP Morgan Chase & Co<br>Tesla Incorporated<br>Exxon Mobil Corporation<br>Unitedhealth Group Incorporated<br>Vanguard other<br>(ii) Issuer market capitalisation of  | 15%<br>15%<br>15%<br>15%<br>15%<br>15%                      | 189 637<br>176 938<br>165 551<br>158 527<br>143 500<br>19 110 355  | 0.12%<br>0.11%<br>0.10%<br>0.10%<br>0.09%<br>11.80%                           |
| between R2 billion and R20 billion, or<br>an amount or conditions as<br>prescribed<br>(iii) Issuer market capitalisation of<br>less than R2 billion, or an amount or<br>conditions as prescribed   | SARB<br>maximum<br>limits<br>SARB<br>maximum<br>limits      | <u>0</u>   | <u>    0.00%  </u><br><u>    0.00%  </u>                                      |
| (b) Preference and ordinary shares in<br>companies, excluding shares in<br>property companies, not listed on an<br>exchange  | 10%   | 0  | 0.00%   |
| <ul><li>4 Immovable property</li><li>4.1 Inside the Republic</li></ul>   | 25%<br>25%  | 17 382 082<br>13 884 303   | 10.73%<br>8.57%   |
| <ul> <li>(a) Preference shares, ordinary shares<br/>and linked units comprising shares<br/>linked to debentures in property<br/>companies, or units in a collective<br/>investment scheme in property, listed<br/>on an exchange         <ul> <li>(i) Issuer market capitalisation of</li> </ul> </li> </ul> | 25%   | 13 882 225   | 8.57%   |
| R10 billion or more, or an amount or conditions as prescribed  | 25%   | 10 946 689   | 6.76%   |
| Nepi Rockcastle N.V. (Nrp)<br>(ii) Issuer market capitalisation of<br>between R3 billion and R10 billion, or   | 15%   | 2 157 890  | 1.33%   |
| an amount or conditions as   | 25%   | 2 935 536  | 1.81%   |

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| Categories of kinds of assets (continued)   | %          | Fair value<br>R               | Fair<br>value<br>% |
|---|------------|-------------------------------|--------------------|
| prescribed  |            |                               |                    |
| Equites Property Fund Limited (Equ)   | 10%        | 625 967                       | 0.39%              |
| (iii) Issuer market capitalisation of less than R3 billion or an amount or conditions as prescribed   | 25%        | 0                             | 0.00%              |
| <ul> <li>(b) Immovable property, preference and<br/>ordinary shares in property<br/>companies, and linked units<br/>comprising shares linked to<br/>debentures in property companies,<br/>not listed on an exchange</li> <li>Intu Properties Plc (Uitu)</li> </ul>  | 15%<br>5%  | 2 078<br>2 078                | 0.00%              |
|   |            |                               |                    |
| <ul><li>4.2 Outside the Republic</li><li>(a) Preference shares, ordinary shares</li></ul>   | 25%        | 3 497 779                     | 2.16%              |
| <ul> <li>and linked units comprising shares<br/>linked to debentures in property<br/>companies, or units in a collective<br/>investment scheme in property, listed<br/>on an exchange</li> <li>(i) Issuer market capitalisation of<br/>R10 billion or more, or an amount or<br/>conditions as prescribed</li> </ul> | 25%<br>25% | <u>3 497 779</u><br>3 477 024 | 2.16%              |
| Prologis (B44Wzd7)  | 15%        | 363 336                       | 0.22%              |
| <ul> <li>(ii) Issuer market capitalisation of<br/>between R3 billion and R10 billion, or<br/>an amount or conditions as<br/>prescribed</li> <li>(iii) Issuer market capitalisation of<br/>less than R3 billion or an amount or</li> </ul>   | 25%        | 0                             | 0.00%              |
| conditions as prescribed  | 25%        | 20 755                        | 0.01%              |
| Hulic Co (New) (6805317)  | 5%         | 20 755                        | 0.01%              |
| <ul> <li>(b) Immovable property, preference and<br/>ordinary shares in property<br/>companies, and linked units<br/>comprising shares linked to<br/>debentures in property companies,<br/>not listed on an exchange</li> </ul>  | 15%        | 0                             | 0.00%              |
| 5 Commodition   | 10%        | 0                             | 0.009/             |
| 5 Commodities<br>5.1 Inside the Republic  | 10%        | 0                             | 0.00%              |
| 5.1 Inside the Republic   | 10%        | U                             | 0.00%              |

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| Categories of kinds of assets (continued)   | %                | Fair value<br>R | Fair<br>value<br>%      |
|---|------------------|-----------------|-------------------------|
| <ul> <li>(a) Kruger Rands and other commodities<br/>on an exchange, including exchange<br/>traded commodities</li> <li>(i) Gold (including Kruger Rands)</li> <li>(ii) Other commodities</li> </ul> | 10%<br>10%<br>5% |                 | 0.00%<br>0.00%<br>0.00% |
| 5.2 Outside the Republic  | 10%              | 0               | 0.00%                   |
| (a) Gold and other commodities on an exchange, including exchange traded  |                  |                 |                         |
| commodities   | 10%              | 0               | 0.00%                   |
| <ul><li>(i) Gold</li><li>(ii) Other commodities</li></ul>   | 10%<br>5%        |                 | 0.00%                   |
| 6 Investments in the business of a<br>participating employer inside the Republic<br>in terms of:  |                  | 0               | 0.00%                   |
| (a) Section 19(4) of the Pension Funds  |                  |                 | 0.0078                  |
| Act<br>(b) To the extent it has been allowed by<br>an exemption in terms of section   | 5%               | 0               | 0.00%                   |
| 19(4A) of the Pension Funds Act   | 10%              | 0               | 0.00%                   |
| <ul> <li>Housing loans granted to members in accordance with the provisions of section 19(5)</li> </ul>   | 65%              | 0               | 0.00%                   |
| 8 Hedge funds, private equity funds and any   |                  |                 |                         |
| other asset not referred to in this schedule<br>8.1 Inside the Republic   |                  | 0               | 0.00%                   |
| (a) Hedge fund  | 10%              | 0               | 0.00%                   |
| (i) Funds of hedge funds  | 10%              | 0               | 0.00%                   |
| (ii) Hedge funds  | 10%              | 0               | 0.00%                   |
| (b) Private equity funds  | 15%              |                 | 0.00%                   |
| (i) Funds of private equity funds   |                  | 0               | 0.00%                   |
| (ii) Private equity funds   |                  | 0               | 0.00%                   |
| (c) Other assets not referred to in this  |                  |                 |                         |
| schedule and excluding a hedge fund   |                  |                 |                         |
| or private equity fund  | 2.5%             | 0               | 0.00%                   |
| 8.2 Outside the Republic  |                  | 0               | 0.00%                   |
| (a) Hedge fund  | 10%              | 0               | 0.00%                   |
| (i) Funds of hedge funds  | 10%              | 0               | 0.00%                   |
|   |                  |                 |                         |

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| Categories of kinds of assets (continued)  | %    | Fair value<br>R | Fair<br>value<br>%      |
|--|------|-----------------|-------------------------|
| (ii) Hedge funds   | 10%  | <u>0</u>        | 0.00%                   |
| <ul><li>(b) Private equity funds</li><li>(i) Funds of private equity funds</li><li>(ii) Private equity funds</li></ul> | 15%  | 0<br>0<br>0     | 0.00%<br>0.00%<br>0.00% |
| (c) Other assets not referred to in this<br>schedule and excluding a hedge fund<br>or private equity fund              | 2.5% | 0               | 0.00%                   |
| TOTAL (Regulation 28) (D above)  |      | 162 010 231     | 100%                    |

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## Assets held in compliance with Regulation 28 For the period ended 30 June 2024

### Investment summary (Regulation 28)

|    |  | Local       | Percentage of<br>fair value | Foreign    | Percentage of<br>fair value | Total       |
|----|--|-------------|-----------------------------|------------|-----------------------------|-------------|
|    |  | R           | %                           | R          | %                           | R           |
| 1  | Balances or deposits, money market instruments issued by a bank      |             |                             |            |                             |             |
|    | including Islamic liquidity management financial instruments         | 4 909 148   | 3.03%                       | (25 417)   | (0.02)%                     | 4 883 731   |
| 2  | Debt instruments including Islamic debt instruments                  | 22 516 646  | 13.90%                      | 7 321 234  | 4.52%                       | 29 837 880  |
| 3  | Equities   | 75 944 947  | 46.88%                      | 33 961 591 | 20.96%                      | 109 906 538 |
| 4  | Immovable property   | 13 884 303  | 8.57%                       | 3 497 779  | 2.16%                       | 17 382 082  |
| 5  | Commodities  | 0           | 0.00%                       | 0          | 0.00%                       | 0           |
| 6  | Investment in the business of a participating employer               | 0           | 0.00%                       |            |                             | 0           |
| 7  | Housing loans granted to members - section 19(5)                     | 0           | 0.00%                       |            |                             | 0           |
| 8  | Hedge funds, private equity funds and any other assets not referred  |             |                             |            |                             |             |
|    | to in this schedule  | 0           | 0.00%                       | 0          | 0.00%                       | 0           |
| 9  | Fair value of assets to be excluded in terms of sub-regulations 3(c) |             |                             |            |                             |             |
|    | and (8)(b) of Regulation 28  | 0           | 0.00%                       | 0          | 0.00%                       | 0           |
| 10 | Investments not disclosed or data not available for disclosure       | 0           | 0.00%                       | 0          | 0.00%                       | 0           |
|    | TOTAL (equal to the fair value of assets)                            | 117 255 044 | 72.38%                      | 44 755 187 | 27.62%                      | 162 010 231 |

#### SCHEDULE IB **OUTVEST PROVIDENT PRESERVATION FUND** Registration number: 12/8/38214

## Assets held in compliance with Regulation 28 For the period ended 30 June 2024

#### Note: Maximum foreign limits and disclosure in terms of South African Reserve Bank requirements

#### Breaches in terms of sub-regulation 3 of Regulation 28

| Description  | Total (Inside and<br>Foreign)<br>R | Percentage of<br>fair value<br>% | Regulation<br>28 limits<br>% |
|--|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Asset limits in terms of sub-regulation 3(f)   |                                    |                                  |                              |
| Other debt instruments not listed  | 0                                  | 0.00%                            |                              |
| Equities not listed  | 0                                  | 0.00%                            |                              |
| Immovable properties not listed  | 2 078                              | 0.00%                            |                              |
| Hedge funds, private equity funds and other assets   | 0                                  | 0.00%                            |                              |
| TOTAL  | 2 078                              | 0.00%                            | 45%                          |
| Asset limits in terms of sub-regulation 3(g)   |                                    |                                  |                              |
| Equities not listed  | 0                                  | 0.00%                            |                              |
| Private equity funds   | 0                                  | 0.00%                            |                              |
| TOTAL  | 0                                  | 0.00%                            | 20%                          |
| Asset Limits in terms of Sub-regulation 3(h)<br>Overall limit for all instruments per entity/issuer (local and or foreign) (excluding debt instruments<br>issued by, and loans to, the government of Republic and any debt or loan guaranteed by the |                                    |                                  |                              |
| Republic)  | 4 107 584                          | 2.54%                            | 25%                          |
| Entities exceeding 25% Counter-party exposure  |                                    |                                  |                              |
|  | 0                                  | 0.00%                            |                              |
| TOTAL  | 0                                  | 0.00%                            | 25%                          |