ASA -Bermuda- Limited Announces Earnings

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NEW YORK--(BUSINESS WIRE)--June 24, 2005--ASA (Bermuda) Limited (NYSE:<u>ASA - News</u>) a closed-end investment company, today reported the release of the following information with respect to the Company's operations for the six months ended May 31, 2005:

		May 31, 2005	May 31, 2004*
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	Net Assets	\$397,279,587	\$412,375,652
	Shares outstanding	9,600,000	9,600,000
	Net asset value per share (1)	\$41.38	\$42.96
(1)	Based on closing prices on the JSE Securities Exchange South Africa or other stock exchanges, as applicable, translated to U.S. dollars.		
		May 31, 2005	May 31, 2004
	Net investment income (2)	\$773 , 514	\$1,949,799
Net	investment income per share (2)	\$.08	\$.20
(2)	Excludes the following items-		
	Net realized capital gains (net of realized (loss) on investments from foreign	\$2,740,543	\$147,178
	currency transactions) Amount per share	\$.29	\$.02
	Net realized gain from other	\$129,823	\$44,858
	foreign currency transactions Amount per share	\$.01	\$-0-
	Net (decrease) in unrealized	(\$83,254,274)	(\$81,566,442)
	appreciation Amount per share	(\$8.67)	(\$8.49)
	Net unrealized (loss) on translation of assets and	(\$723,187)	(\$103,830)
	liabilities in foreign currency Amount per share	(\$.08)	(\$.01)

^{*}All amounts for May 31, 2004 relate to ASA Limited. Amounts for May 31, 2005 reflect the activities of ASA (Bermuda) Limited.

Shareholders can access the Company's website at www.asaltd.com to view the quarterly financial statements and other financial information.

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