

## ASA GOLD AND PRECIOUS METALS LIMITED

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, SCHEDULES OF INVESTMENTS AND PER SHARE INFORMATION FOR THE NINE MONTHS ENDED AUGUST 31, 2017 AND AUGUST 31, 2016

ALPS Alternative Investment Services has prepared the accompanying financial statements, schedule of investments and per share information which are limited to presenting information that is the representation of management.



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ASA Gold and Precious Metals Limited Schedules of Investments (Unaudited) August 31, 2017 and August 31, 2016

	2017			2016			
Name of Company	Shares / Warrants	Value	Percent of Net Assets	Shares / Warrants	Value	Percent of Net Assets	
Common Shares							
Gold and Silver Investments  Gold mining, exploration, development and royalty companies							
Australia Newcrest Mining Limited, (1)	1,015,000 \$	· ·	6.9 %	1,215,000 \$	19,938,150	6.7 %	
Perseus Mining Limited, (2)	7,067,700	1,755,247 20,634,247	7.5	6,211,800	2,180,411 22,118,561	7.5	
Canada							
Agnico Eagle Mines Limited	450,000	23,067,000	8.4	475,000	24,058,750	8.1 -	
Alacer Gold Corp., (2) Alamos Gold Inc.	2,500,000 875,000	4,386,141 7,290,206	1.6 2.7	600,000	4,225,868	- 1.4	
Asanko Gold Inc., (2)	665,000	820,429	0.3	1,425,000	5,371,614	1.8	
Atlantic Gold Corporation – 144A, (2)(3)	2,750,000	3,458,842	1.3	3,000,000	2,014,498	0.7	
B2Gold Corp., (2)	1,594,338	4,380,997	1.6	1,594,338	4,014,739	1.4	
Barrick Gold Corporation	1,125,000	20,238,750	7.4	1,275,000	21,687,750	7.3	
Belo Sun Mining Corp., (2)	2,600,000	1,374,725	0.5	2,600,000	1,765,738	0.6	
Detour Gold Corporation, (2)	450,000 1 546 570	6,301,622 3 185 03 <i>4</i>	2.3 1.2	450,000 650,000	10,164,060	3.4 0.7	
Eldorado Gold Corporation, (1) Franco-Nevada Corporation	1,546,570 160,000	3,185,934 13,094,813	1.2 4.8	650,000 160,000	2,093,000 11,187,180	0.7 3.8	
Goldcorp Inc.	932,400	12,820,500	4.7	932,400	14,209,776	4.8	
Guyana Goldfields Inc., (2)	807,300	3,233,727	1.2	857,300	5,390,425	1.8	
Integra Gold Corp., (2)	-	-	-	3,000,000	1,648,226	0.6	
Kinross Gold Corporation, (2)	800,000	3,648,000	1.3	800,000	3,192,000	1.1	
New Gold Inc., (2)	500,000	1,880,000	0.7	500,000	2,395,000	0.8	
OceanaGold Corporation	2,654,013	8,249,606	3.0	1,054,013	3,321,689	1.1	
Pretium Resources Inc., (2)	725,000	6,017,500	2.2	<b>-</b>	<u>-</u>	-	
Roxgold Inc., (2)	2,827,200	2,921,761	1.1	2,059,500	2,137,291	0.7	
Semafo Inc., (2)	900,000	2,537,953	0.9	900,000	3,825,258	1.3	
Tahoe Resources Inc. TMAC Resources Inc., (2)	708,200 26,500	3,381,432 187,883	1.2 0.1	708,200 26,500	9,246,320 331,023	3.1 0.1	
TMAC Resources Inc. – 144A, (2)(3)	185,000	1,311,636	0.5	185,000	2,310,912	0.1	
Torex Gold Resources Inc., (2)	330,000	5,572,922	2.0	280,000	6,418,314	2.2	
Torex Gold Resources Inc 144A, (2)(3)	125,000	2,110,955	0.8	125,000	2,865,319	1.0	
		141,473,334	51.6		143,874,748	48.5	
Cayman Islands	250,000	4.000.054	4.0				
Endeavour Mining Corporation, (2)	250,000	4,966,954	1.8		<u> </u>	<u> </u>	
Channel Islands	1 700 000	F20 490	0.2	700 000	267 927	0.1	
Lydian International Limited, (2) Lydian International Limited – 144A, (2)(3)	1,780,000 6,879,300	520,489 2,011,572	0.2 0.7	780,000 6,879,300	267,837 2,362,217	0.1 0.8	
Randgold Resources Limited - ADRs	254,100	26,042,709	9.5	282,100	26,418,665	8.9	
		28,574,769	10.4		29,048,718	9.8	
Peru Compañia de Minas Buenaventura S.A.A ADRs, (1)	699,000	9,387,570	3.4	699,000	8,639,640	2.9	
	000,000	3,007,070	<u> </u>	033,000	0,000,040	2.5	
South Africa AngloGold Ashanti Limited, (1)	898,420	9,109,979	3.3	898,420	14,455,578	4.9	
Gold Fields Limited	1,029,577	4,591,913	1.7	1,029,577	5,178,772	1.7	
Sibanye-Stillwater	1,029,577	1,647,323	0.6	1,029,577	3,971,593	1.3	
		15,349,215	5.6		23,605,943	8.0	
United States	570.000	04 007 000	0.0	005.000	00 500 070	0.0	
Newmont Mining Corporation Royal Gold, Inc.	570,368 190,000	21,867,909 17,723,200	8.0 6.5	695,368	26,590,872 13,930,800	9.0 4.7	
Royal Gold, Inc.	190,000	39,591,109	6.5 14.4	190,000	40,521,672	4.7 13.7	
Total gold mining, exploration, development and royalty companies (Cost \$206,191,394 - 2017, \$200,471,199 - 2016)		259,977,199	94.7		267,809,283	90.4	
Silver mining, exploration and development companies		, ,			,,		
Canada MAG Silver Corp., (2)	275,000	3,454,436	1.3	275,000	4,081,457	1.4	
Total silver mining, exploration and development companies (Cost \$2,007,500 - 2017, \$2,007,500 - 2016)		3,454,436	1.3		4,081,457	1.4	
Total gold and silver investments (Cost \$208,198,894 - 2017, \$202,478,699 - 2016)	Φ.	262 424 625	06.0.9/	φ.	271 000 740		
(OUSL \$200,130,034 - 2011, \$202,410,033 - 2010)	\$	263,431,635	96.0 %		271,890,740	91.7 %	



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	2017			2016			
Name of Company	Shares / Warrants	Value	Percent of Net Assets	Shares / Warrants	Value	Percent of Net Assets	
Platinum and Palladium Investments Platinum and palladium mining companies			_				
United States							
Stillwater Mining Company, (2)	- \$	<del>-</del>	- %	225,000 \$	2,846,250	1.0 %	
Exchange traded funds							
ETFS Palladium Trust, (2)	-	-	-	45,000	2,912,400	1.0	
ETFS Platinum Trust, (2)	-	-	-	12,500	1,258,875	0.4	
		-	-		4,171,275	1.4	
Total platinum and palladium investments (Cost \$0 - 2017, \$6,911,031 - 2016)		-	-		7,017,525	2.4	
Diamond Mining, Exploration and Development Companies							
Bermuda							
Petra Diamonds Limited, (4)	1,000,000	1,217,454	0.4	1,000,000	1,491,050	0.5	
Canada							
Stornoway Diamond Corporation, (2)	1,389,500	846,000	0.3	1,639,500	1,401,175	0.5	
Stornoway Diamond Corporation – 144A, (2)(3)	9,698,550	5,904,985	2.2	12,448,550	10,638,974	3.6	
		6,750,986	2.5		12,040,150	4.1	
Total diamond mining, exploration and development companies							
(Cost \$10,222,660 - 2017, \$12,624,701 - 2016)		7,968,439	2.9		13,531,199	4.6	
Total common shares							
(Cost \$218,421,554 - 2017, \$222,014,430 - 2016)		271,400,074	98.9		292,439,464	98.7	
Warrants							
Gold and Silver Investments  Gold mining, exploration, development and royalty companies							
Australia							
Perseus Mining Limited				2.405.000	074 540	0.4	
A\$0.44 Warrants, 04/18/2019, (2)(5)	-	-	<del>-</del>	3,105,900	271,516	0.1	
Channel Islands							
Lydian International Limited, C\$0.36 Warrants, 11/27/2017, (2)	555,000	8,892	0.0	585,000	66,959	0.0	
Lydian International Limited, C\$0.36 Warrants, 11/27/2017 – 144A, (2)(3)	5,159,475	82,667	0.0	5,159,475	590,554	0.2	
		91,560	0.0		657,513	0.2	
Total gold mining, exploration, development and royalty companies		_				_	
(Cost \$259,282 - 2017, \$603,119 - 2016)		91,560	0.0		929,029	0.3	
Total warrants (Cost \$250, 282, 2017, \$603, 110, 2016)		04 500	0.0		000 000	0.0	
(Cost \$259,282 - 2017, \$603,119 - 2016)		91,560	0.0		929,029	0.3	
Total investments (Cost \$218,680,836 - 2017, \$222,617,549 - 2016), (6)		271,491,634	98.9		293,368,493	99.0	
Cash, receivables, and other assets less liabilities		2,933,797	1.1		3,017,653	1.0	
Net assets	?	5 274,425,431	100.0 %		296,386,147	100.0 %	

- (1) Non-income producing security in 2016 only.
- (2) Non-income producing security.
- (3) Restricted security.
- (4) Non-income producing security in 2017 only.
- (5) Level 3 security. See note 3C in the notes to the financial statements.
- (6) Cost of investments shown approximates adjusted basis for U.S. federal income tax purposes, determined in accordance with U.S. federal income tax principles. Gross unrealized appreciation of investments and gross unrealized depreciation of investments at August 31, 2017 were \$96,332,571 and \$43,521,772, respectively, resulting in net unrealized appreciation on investments of \$52,810,798. Gross unrealized appreciation of investments and gross unrealized depreciation of investments at August 31, 2016 were \$111,288,696 and \$40,537,752, respectively, resulting in net unrealized appreciation on investments of \$70,750,944.

ADR - American Depository Receipt.

May not total due to independent rounding.



### ASA Gold and Precious Metals Limited Statements of Assets and Liabilities (Unaudited) August 31, 2017 and August 31, 2016

Assets		2017		2016
Investments, at value				
Cost \$218,680,836 in 2017				
\$222,617,549 in 2016	\$	271,491,634	\$	293,368,493
Cash		4,044,417		4,369,530
Dividends receivable, net of withholding taxes payable		59,063		54,750
Other assets		71,755		86,271
Total assets	\$	275,666,869	\$	297,879,044
Liabilities				
Accrued affiliate expenses	\$	557,312	\$	623,027
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	•	174,431	*	173,126
Due to broker		-		61,315
iability for retirement benefits due to current and future retired directors		509,695		635,429
otal liabilities	\$	1,241,438	\$	1,492,897
let assets	\$	274,425,431	\$	296,386,147
Common shares \$1 par value				
Authorized: 40,000,000 shares				
Issued and Outstanding: 19,289,905 shares	\$	19,289,905	\$	19,289,905
Share premium (capital surplus)		1,372,500		1,372,500
Indistributed net investment income (loss)		8,162,834		10,546,804
Indistributed net realized gain (loss) from investments		311,629,967		313,533,921
Jndistributed net realized gain (loss) from		(440 040 EZ2)		(440 407 007
foreign currency transactions  Net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on investments		(118,840,573) 52,810,798		(119,107,927 70,750,944
Net unrealized gain (loss) on		32,010,790		70,730,944
translation of assets and liabilities in foreign currency		-		-
Net assets	\$	274,425,431	\$	296,386,147
Net asset value per share	\$	14.23	\$	15.36

The closing price of the Company's shares on the New York Stock Exchange was \$12.56 and \$13.66 on August 31, 2017 and August 31, 2016, respectively.



### ASA Gold and Precious Metals Limited Statements of Operations (Unaudited) For the nine months ended August 31, 2017 and August 31, 2016

		2017	2016
Investment is some			
Investment income Dividend income (net of withholding taxes of \$244,213 and \$219,175	\$	1,095,008 \$	832,308
respectively, and ADR fees of \$5,082 and \$5,742, respectively)	Φ	1,095,006 \$	032,300
Total investment income		1,095,008	832,308
Total investment income		1,000,000	032,300
Expenses			
Shareholder reports and proxy expenses		90,697	92,398
Directors' fees and expenses		173,650	179,438
Retired directors' fees		60,000	67,500
Investment research		781,064	829.003
Administration and operations		776,860	797,620
Fund accounting		123,182	123,182
Transfer agent, registrar and custodian		108.977	73.811
Legal fees		112,383	108,819
Audit fees		41,250	41,247
Professional fees – other		1,000	41,247
		•	400.070
Insurance		124,505	133,373
Dues and listing fees		18,750	18,182
Depreciation expense		1,895	1,895
Total expenses		2,414,213	2,466,468
Change in retirement benefits due to directors		(74,923)	-
Net expenses		2,339,290	2,466,468
Net investment income (loss)		(1,244,282)	(1,634,160
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) from investments and foreign currency transactions			
Net realized gain (loss) from investments			
Proceeds from sales		25,147,409	22,545,498
Cost of securities sold		27,239,805	38,039,942
Net realized gain (loss) from investments		(2,092,396)	(15,494,444
Net realized gain (loss) from foreign currency transactions			
Investments		419,563	(2,626,017
Foreign currency		11,854	604
Net realized gain (loss) from foreign currency transactions		431,417	(2,625,413
Net increase (decrease) in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on investments			/ / - / - /
Balance, beginning of period		18,323,599	(85,031,219
Balance, end of period		52,810,798	70,750,944
Net increase (decrease) in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on investments		34,487,199	155,782,163
Net unrealized gain (loss) on translation of assets and liabilities in foreign currency		5	31
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) from investments and foreign currency transactions		32,826,225	137,662,337
Net increase (decrease) in net assets resulting from operations	\$	31,581,943 \$	136,028,177



# ASA Gold and Precious Metals Limited Statements of Changes in Net Assets

		Nine Months Ended August 31, 2017 (Unaudited)		Year Ended November 30, 2016
Net investment income (loss)	\$	(1,244,282)	\$	(2,002,252)
Net realized gain (loss) from investments	•	(2,092,396)	•	(15,306,002)
Net realized gain (loss) from foreign currency transactions		431,417		(2,789,476)
Net increase (decrease) in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on investments		34,487,199		103,354,818
Net unrealized gain (loss) on translation of assets and liabilities				
in foreign currency		5		26
Net increase (decrease) in net assets resulting from operations		31,581,943		83,257,114
Dividends paid/payable				
From net investment income		(385,798)		(771,596)
Net increase (decrease) in net assets		31,196,145		82,485,518
Net assets, beginning of period		243,229,286		160,743,768
Net assets, end of period (including undistributed net investment income of				
\$8,162,834 as of August 31, 2017 and \$9,792,914 as of November 30, 2016	\$	274,425,431	\$	243,229,286

## **Notes to Financial Statements (Unaudited)**

Nine months ended August 31, 2017 and August 31, 2016

#### 1. Organization

ASA Gold and Precious Metals Limited (the "Company") is a closed-end investment company registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "1940 Act"), and was organized as an exempted limited liability company under the laws of Bermuda.

#### 2. Investment objective and strategy

The Company is a non-diversified, closed-end, internally managed fund that seeks long-term capital appreciation primarily through investing in companies engaged in the exploration for, development of projects or mining of precious metals and minerals.

It is a fundamental policy of the Company that at least 80% of its total assets must be (i) invested in common shares or securities convertible into common shares of companies engaged, directly or indirectly, in the exploration, mining or processing of gold, silver, platinum, diamonds or other precious minerals, (ii) held as bullion or other direct forms of gold, silver, platinum or other precious minerals, (iii) invested in instruments representing interests in gold, silver, platinum or other precious minerals such as certificates of deposit therefor, and/or (iv) invested in securities of investment companies, including exchange traded funds, or other securities that seek to replicate the price movement of gold, silver or platinum bullion.

The Company employs bottom-up fundamental analysis and relies on detailed primary research including meetings with company executives, site visits to key operating assets, and proprietary financial analysis in making its investment decisions.

#### 3. Summary of significant accounting policies

The following is a summary of the significant accounting policies:

#### A. Security valuation

The net asset value of the Company generally is determined as of the close of regular trading on the New York Stock Exchange (the "NYSE") or the Toronto Stock Exchange (the "TSX"), whichever is later, on the date for which the valuation is being made (the "Valuation Time"). Portfolio securities listed on U.S. and foreign stock exchanges generally are valued at the last reported sale price as of the Valuation Time on the exchange on which the securities are primarily traded, or the last reported bid price if a sale price is not available. Securities traded over the counter are valued at the last reported sale price or the last reported bid price if a sale price is not available. Securities listed on foreign stock exchanges may be fair valued based on significant events that have occurred subsequent to the close of the foreign markets.

Securities for which current market quotations are not readily available are valued at their fair value as determined in good faith by, or in accordance with procedures approved by, the Company's Board of Directors. If a security is valued at a "fair value," that value may be different from the last quoted price for the security. Various factors may be reviewed in order to make a good faith determination of a security's fair value. These factors include, but are not limited to, the nature of the security; relevant financial or business developments of the issuer; actively traded similar or related securities; conversion rights on the security; and changes in overall market conditions.

Where the Company holds securities listed on foreign stock exchanges and American Depository Receipts ("ADRs") representing these securities are actively traded in U.S. markets, the securities normally are fair valued based on the last reported sales price of the ADRs.

The difference between cost and market value is reflected separately as net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on investments. The net realized gain or loss from the sale of securities is determined for accounting purposes on the identified cost basis.

#### B. Restricted securities

At August 31, 2017 and August 31, 2016, the Company held investments in restricted securities of 5.42% and 7.01% of net assets, respectively, valued in accordance with procedures approved by the Company's Board of Directors as follows:

Nine months ended August 31, 2017 and August 31, 2016

#### Restricted Securities August 31, 2017

Shares/ Warrants	Cost	<u>Issuer</u>	<u>Value</u> Per Unit	<u>Value</u>	Acquisition Date
1,841,350	\$1,490,038	Stornoway Diamond Corporation – 144A	\$0.61	\$1,121,110	06/21/2016
6,879,300	1,269,275	Lydian International Limited. – 144A	0.29	2,011,572	05/26/2016
5,159,475	234,540	Lydian International Limited, C\$0.36 Warrants, 11/27/2017 – 144A	0.02	82,667	05/26/2016
2,750,000	1,285,447	Atlantic Gold Corporation – 144A	1.26	3,458,842	05/09/2016
185,000	898,101	TMAC Resources, Inc. – 144A	7.09	1,311,636	06/26/2015
7,857,200	4,641,822	Stornoway Diamond Corporation – 144A	0.61	4,783,875	07/08/2014
125,000	1,351,000	Torex Gold Resources, Inc. – 144A	16.89	2,110,955	01/22/2014

## Restricted Securities August 31, 2016

		August 51, 2010			
Shares/ Warrants	Cost	Issuer	<u>Value</u> Per Unit	<u>Value</u>	Acquisition Date
4,591,350	\$3,715,365	Stornoway Diamond Corporation – 144A	\$0.85	\$3,923,931	06/21/2016
6,879,300	1,269,275	Lydian International Limited. – 144A	0.34	2,362,217	05/26/2016
5,159,475	234,540	Lydian International Limited, C\$0.36 Warrants, 11/27/2017 – 144A	0.11	590,554	05/26/2016
3,000,000	1,402,306	Atlantic Gold Corporation – 144A	0.67	2,014,498	05/09/2016
185,000	898,101	TMAC Resources, Inc 144A	12.49	2,310,912	06/26/2015
7,857,200	4,641,822	Stornoway Diamond Corporation – 144A	0.85	6,715,043	07/08/2014
125,000	1,351,000	Torex Gold Resources, Inc. – 144A	22.92	2,865,319	01/22/2014

#### C. Fair value measurement

In accordance with U.S. GAAP, fair value is defined as the price that the Company would receive to sell an investment or pay to transfer a liability in a timely transaction with an independent buyer in the principal market, or *in the absence* of a principal market the most advantageous market for the investment or liability. U.S. GAAP establishes a three-tier hierarchy to distinguish between (1) inputs that reflect the assumptions market participants would use in pricing an asset or liability developed based on market data obtained from sources independent of the reporting entity (observable inputs) and (2) inputs that reflect the reporting entity's own assumptions about the assumptions market participants would use in pricing an asset or liability developed based on the best information available in the circumstances (unobservable inputs) and to establish classification of fair value measurements for disclosure purposes. Various inputs are used in determining the value of the Company's investments. The inputs are summarized in the three broad levels listed below.

Level 1 – unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical investments

Level 2 – other significant observable inputs (including quoted prices for similar investments, interest rates, credit risk, etc.)

Level 3 – significant unobservable inputs (including the Company's own assumptions in determining the fair value of investments)

The inputs or methodology used for valuing securities are not necessarily an indication of the risk associated with investing in those securities.

Nine months ended August 31, 2017 and August 31, 2016

The following is a summary of the inputs used as of August 31, 2017 and August 31, 2016 in valuing the Company's investments at fair value:

## Investment in Securities Measurements at August 31, 2017

Description (1)	<u>Level 1</u> <u>Level 2</u> <u>Le</u>		Level 3		<u>Total</u>
Common Shares					
Gold and Silver Investments					
Gold mining, exploration,	\$216,855,977	\$43,121,221	\$	-	\$259,977,199
development and royalty companies	0.454.400				0.454.400
Silver mining, exploration and	3,454,436	-		-	3,454,436
development companies Diamond Mining, Exploration and	2.063.454	5,904,985			7,968,439
Development Companies	2,003,434	3,904,903		_	7,900,439
Total Common Shares	222,373,867	49,026,206		_	271,400,074
Warrants	,0:0,00:	,,			
Gold mining, exploration, development	8.892	82.667		_	91.560
and royalty companies	0,032	02,007			31,300
Total Investments	\$222,382,759	\$49,108,873	\$	-	\$271,491,634

Transfers into and out of levels are recognized at the end of the period. During the nine months ended August 31, 2017, there were no transfers into and out of Levels 1, 2, and 3.

See schedules of investments for country classifications.
 May not total due to independent rounding.

## Investment in Securities Measurements at August 31, 2016

Description (1)	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Common Shares				
Gold and Silver Investments				
Gold mining, exploration,	\$214,712,244	\$53,097,039	\$ -	\$267,809,283
development and royalty companies				
Silver mining, exploration and	4,081,457	-	-	4,081,457
development companies				
Platinum and Palladium Investments				
Platinum and palladium mining companies	2,846,250	-	-	2,846,250
Exchange traded funds	4,171,275	-	-	4,171,275
Diamond Mining, Exploration and Development Companies	2,892,225	10,638,974	-	13,531,199
Total Common Shares	228,703,451	63,736,013		292,439,464
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Warrants				
Gold mining, exploration, development and royalty companies	66,959	590,554	271,516	929,029
Total Investments	\$228,770,410	\$64,326,567	\$271,516	\$293,368,493

Transfers into and out of levels are recognized at the end of the period. During the nine months ended August 31, 2016, there were no transfers into and out of Levels 1, 2, and 3.

See schedules of investments for country classifications.
 May not total due to independent rounding.

Nine months ended August 31, 2017 and August 31, 2016

The table below presents a reconciliation for all financial assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis, excluding accrued interest components, using significant unobservable inputs (Level 3) for the nine months ended August 31, 2016.

		Net Change		
	Balance	In Unrealized		Balance
	<b>December 1, 2015</b>	Depreciation (1)	<b>Purchases</b>	August 31, 2016
Warrants	\$ -	\$ (70,824)	\$ 342,340	\$ 271,516

(1) Included in net increase (decrease) in net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on investments in the accompanying Statements of Operations. The net change in unrealized depreciation for investments still held as of August 31, 2016 was \$(70,824).

The following table provides quantitative information about the Company's Level 3 fair value measurements of its investments as of August 31, 2016. In addition to the techniques and inputs noted in the table below, the Company may also use other valuation techniques and methodologies when determining the fair value measurements. The table below is not intended to be all-inclusive, but rather provide information on the significant Level 3 inputs as they relate to the Company's fair value measurements.

Fair Value as of				Unobservable				
Investment Type	August 31, 2016		gust 31, 2016 Valuation Techniques		Range			
Warrants	\$	271,516	Market Adjusted Black	Liquidity Discount	15%			
			Options Pricing Model	Volatility	40%			

<sup>(</sup>a) Represents amounts used when the Company has determined that market participants would use such multiples when pricing the investments.

#### D. Foreign Currency Translation

Portfolio securities and other assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated into U.S. dollar amounts at the rate of exchange reported one hour after the Valuation Time. Purchases and sales of investment securities and income and expense items denominated in foreign currencies are translated into U.S. dollar amounts on the respective dates of such transactions. The Company separately reports the effect of changes in foreign exchange rates from changes in market prices of securities held. The resulting net foreign currency gain or loss is included on the Statements of Operations. Realized foreign currency gains or losses arise from sales of foreign currencies, currency gains or losses realized between the trade and settlement dates on securities transactions, fluctuation in exchange rates between the initial purchase date and subsequent sale date on securities transactions, and the difference between the amounts of dividends, interest, and foreign withholding taxes recorded on the Company's books and the U.S. dollar equivalent of the amounts actually received or paid.

#### E. Securities Transactions and Investment Income

During the nine months ended August 31, 2017, sales and purchases of portfolio securities (other than temporary short-term investments) amounted to \$22,248,121 and \$21,628,305, respectively. During the nine months ended August 31, 2016, sales and purchases of portfolio securities (other than temporary short-term investments) amounted to \$22,545,498 and \$18,937,740, respectively.

Dividend income is recorded on the ex-dividend date, net of withholding taxes or ADR fees, if any. Interest income is recognized on the accrual basis.

#### F. Dividends to Shareholders

Dividends to shareholders are recorded on the ex-dividend date. The reporting for financial statement purposes of dividends paid from net investment income and/or net realized gains may differ from their ultimate reporting for U.S. federal income tax purposes, primarily because of the separate line item reporting for financial statement purposes of foreign exchange gains or losses.

#### G. Use of Estimates

The preparation of the financial statements in conformity with U.S. GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results could differ from those estimates. It is management's opinion that all adjustments necessary for a fair statement of the results of the interim periods presented have been made. All adjustments are of a normal recurring nature.

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#### H. Basis of Presentation

The financial statements are presented in U.S. dollars.

#### I. Income Taxes

In accordance with U.S. GAAP requirements regarding accounting for uncertainties on income taxes, management has analyzed the Company's tax positions taken on federal and state income tax returns, as applicable, for all open tax years (2013 - 2016). As of August 31, 2017 and August 31, 2016, the Company has not recorded any unrecognized tax benefits. The Company's policy, if it had unrecognized benefits, is to recognize accrued interest and penalties in operating expenses.

#### 4. Tax status of the Company

The Company is a "passive foreign investment company" ("PFIC") for the U.S. federal income tax purposes and is not subject to Bermuda tax as an exempted limited liability company organized under the laws of Bermuda. Nor is the Company generally subject to U.S. federal income tax, since it is a non-U.S. corporation whose only business activity in the United States is trading in stocks or securities for its own account; under the U.S. federal tax law that activity does not constitute engaging in the conduct of a trade or business within the United States, even if its principal office is located therein. As a result, its gross income is not subject to U.S. federal income tax, though certain types of income it earns from U.S. sources (such as dividends of U.S. payors) are subject to U.S. federal withholding tax.

#### 5. Exemptive order

The Company is a closed-end investment company and operates pursuant to an exemptive order issued by the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") pursuant to Section 7(d) of the 1940 Act (the "Order"). The Order was originally conditioned upon, among other things, the Company complying with certain requirements relating to the custody of assets and settlement of securities transactions outside of the United States different than those required of other registered investment companies. These conditions made it more difficult for the Company to implement a flexible investment strategy and to fully achieve its desired portfolio diversification than if it were not subject to such requirements.

#### 6. Retirement plans

The Company has recorded a liability for retirement benefits due to retired directors and one current director upon retirement. The liability for these benefits at August 31, 2017 and August 31, 2016 was \$509,695 and \$635,429, respectively. A director whose first election to the Board of Directors was prior to January 1, 2008 qualifies to receive retirement benefits if he has served the Company (and any of its predecessors) for at least twelve years prior to retirement. Directors first elected on or after January 1, 2008 are not eligible to participate in the plan.

#### 7. Concentration risk

The Company invests at least 80% of its total assets in securities of companies engaged, directly or indirectly, in the exploration, mining or processing of gold or other precious minerals. The Company also invests a substantial portion of its assets in companies that are domiciled and/or have operations outside of the United States, including emerging market countries, such as South Africa. The Company is, therefore, subject to gold and precious metals-related risk as well as risk related to investing in foreign securities, including political, economic, regulatory, liquidity, currency fluctuation, and foreign exchange risks. The Company currently is invested in a limited number of securities and thus holds large positions in certain securities. Because the Company's investments are concentrated in a limited number of securities of companies involved in the holding or mining of gold and other precious minerals and related activities, the net asset value of the Company may be subject to greater volatility than that of a more broadly diversified investment company.

#### 8. Indemnifications

In the ordinary course of business, the Company enters into contracts that contain a variety of indemnification provisions. The Company's maximum exposure under these arrangements is unknown.

#### 9. Compensation matters

For the nine months ended August 31, 2017 and August 31, 2016, the aggregate remuneration paid to the Company's officers was \$1,264,788 and \$1,250,509, respectively. In addition, \$465,000 and \$532,875, respectively was accrued for bonuses to the Company's officers and employees. The accrued bonuses are reflected in the "Accrued affiliated expenses" on the Statements of Assets and Liabilities. The aggregate remuneration paid to the Company's directors was \$158,500 and \$158,500, respectively.

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#### 10. Operating lease commitment

In November 2012, the Company entered into a five-year operating lease agreement in San Mateo, CA for approximately 2,500 square feet to be used as office space for its employees. The lease provides for future minimum rental payments in the aggregate amount of \$97,422 as of August 31, 2017. The lease contains escalation clauses relating to the tenant's share of insurance, operating expenses and tax expenses of the lessor.

Future minimum rental commitments under the lease are as follows:

09/01/2017 - 02/28/2018 \$ 64,948

In June 2017, the Company extended its current lease and entered into an additional three-year operating lease agreement commencing on March 1, 2018.

Future minimum rental commitments under the lease amendment are as follows:

03/01/2018 - 11/30/2018	\$ 153,796
12/01/2018 - 11/30/2019	209,584
12/01/2019 - 11/30/2020	215,842
12/01/2020 - 02/28/2021	54,356
Total	\$ 633,578

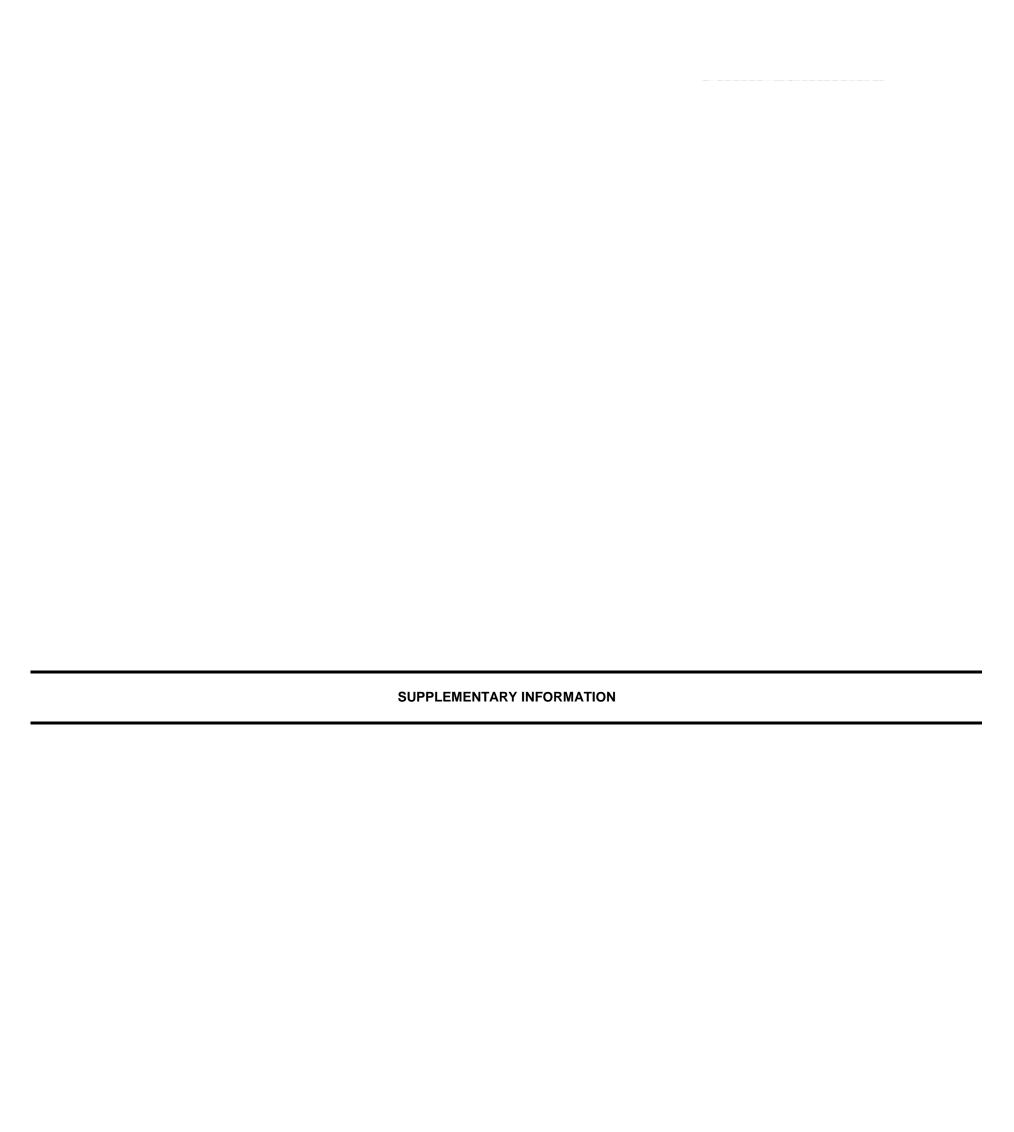
#### 11. Share repurchase

The Company may from time to time purchase its common shares at a discount to NAV on the open market in such amounts and at such prices as the Company may deem advisable.

The Company had 19,289,905 shares outstanding as of August 31, 2017 and August 31, 2016. There were no repurchases during the nine months ended August 31, 2017 and August 31, 2016.

#### 12. Subsequent events

In accordance with U.S. GAAP provisions, management has evaluated the possibility of subsequent events existing in the Company's financial statements through the date the financial statements were issued. The Company believes that there are no material events that would require disclosure.





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		2017		2016	
NET ASSET VALUE PER SHARE ISSUED	\$	14.23	\$	15.36	
ASA SHARE PRICE	\$	12.56	\$	13.66	
PREMIUM/ (DISCOUNT)	\$	(1.67)	\$	(1.70)	
PERCENTAGE PREMIUM/ (DISCOUNT)	%	(11.71)	%	(11.10)	