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KINA ASSET MANAGEMENT LIMITED**

KAML REPORTS LIFT IN PROFIT FOR THE HALF YEAR TO 30 JUNE 2023

Kina Asset Management Ltd (KAML) today reported a strong net profit of K5.3 million for the half-year ended 30 June 2023. In view of the company's strong financial performance, the Board has declared a dividend for 2023 of 12 toea per share, which will be paid in October. This represented a dividend yield of 13.3% on the current share price of K0.90.

Mr Syd Yates, Acting Chairman of KAML, said, "The Board is pleased at the strong performance of KAML in the first half of 2023, which has allowed us to declare a strong dividend."

"KAML recorded an investment return of 8.0% for the half-year. Capital gains on KAML's shareholdings totalled K3.2 million, whilst a small fall in the Australian Dollar resulted in foreign exchange losses of K0.6 million. Dividend and interest income rose to K3.5 million, which means that KAML has continued to generate strong cash-flow."

"The ASX200 share price index rose 2.3% over the half-year, and the prices of most of KAML's high-quality Australian shareholdings also reported gains. Internationally, share markets in most developed countries performed strongly. KAML's holdings in the BlackRock iShares International Wholesale Index Fund rose 17.7 per cent, and the Vanguard International Share Index Fund, 16.1%. Some of the stronger performers in the portfolio were Sonic Healthcare (SHL), up 18.7%, Suncorp (SUN), up 12.0% and Transurban (TCL), up 9.8%."

"KAML's PNG shareholdings produced mixed results. BSP Financial Group shares rose 3.6%; and Credit Corporation (CCP) was up 7.1%; while Kina Securities (KSL) was down 5.4% over the half-year."

"Asset allocation as at 30 June 2023 was 32% invested in domestic stocks, cash and fixed interest securities, and 68% invested in international stocks and cash. The corresponding benchmarks provided by the Company's Investment Strategy were 40% (domestic) and 60% (international) respectively. Key portfolio holdings as a percentage of the Fund's assets were BSP Financial Group at 15.7%, the Vanguard International Shares Index Fund at 12.9%, CSL at 6.4%, BlackRock iShares International Wholesale Index Fund at 5.6% and Credit Corp at 5.4%."

"The outlook for KAML remains attractive, given that markets have responded positively to rapid falls in inflation, particularly in the United States. The market conditions are a welcome change from the challenging global economic conditions experienced last year, when central banks around the world moved to tighten monetary conditions to confront rapidly rising inflation, and leading economic indicators were well below trend."



“In PNG further progress towards the commencement of key resource projects was a source of optimism about the county’s future economic conditions.”

The Company’s net tangible asset backing was K1.59 per share as at 30 June 2023. “KAML’s shares continue to trade at a significant discount to the underlying value of the company”, he said.

Mr Yates said that KAML remained well placed to exploit new opportunities as they arise, with the Board continuing to review its strategic options with the assistance of Page Advisory, to maximise value for shareholders.

The Company’s share registry contact details, along with the Dividend Reinvestment Plan and Investment Strategy, are available for viewing at the Fund’s website, <http://www.kaml.com.pg/>, Mr Yates said.

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