

# Central Fund of Canada Limited



## 1st Quarter

### INTERIM REPORT TO SHAREHOLDERS

*for the three months ended January 31, 2016*

*Central Fund of Canada Limited*

## The Role of Central Fund

**To serve investors as "The Sound Monetary Fund".  
To hold gold and silver bullion on a secure basis for the  
convenience of investors in the shares of Central Fund.**

**Investment Policies & Restrictions** The investment policy set by the Board of Directors requires Central Fund of Canada Limited ("Central Fund" or the "Company") to maintain a minimum of 90% of its net assets in gold and silver bullion of which at least 85% must be in physical form. On January 31, 2016, over 99.9% of Central Fund's net assets were held in gold and silver bullion. Of this bullion, 99.5% was in physical form and 0.5% was in certificate form.

Central Fund's physical gold and silver bullion holdings may not be loaned, subjected to options or otherwise encumbered in any way.

**Safeguards** Central Fund's bullion is stored on an allocated and fully segregated basis in underground vaults located in Canada, which are controlled by its Custodian, the Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce (the "Bank"), one of the major Canadian banks.

The Bank may only release any portion of Central Fund's physical bullion holdings upon receipt of an authorizing resolution of Central Fund's Board of Directors.

Bullion holdings and Bank vault security are inspected twice annually by Directors and/or Officers of Central Fund. On every occasion, inspections are required to be performed in the presence of both Central Fund's external auditors and Bank personnel.

Central Fund is subject to the extensive regulations and reporting requirements of the United States Securities and Exchange Commission, two stock exchanges and various Canadian provincial securities regulatory authorities.

**Conveniences** Central Fund's Class A shares are listed on the NYSE MKT (CEF) and on the Toronto Stock Exchange (CEF.A in Canadian dollars and CEF.U in U.S. dollars). Making a gold and silver bullion investment through Central Fund is as easy as calling one's stockbroker or investment dealer or processing through your online account.

The stock exchange listings provide liquid markets for the Class A shares of Central Fund. The bid/ask spread is usually considerably less than the buying and selling prices of outright bullion purchases, especially for small transactions.

Unlike most other forms of gold and silver bullion investment, there are no ownership costs such as handling, storage and insurance paid directly by the investor. As well, there are no bullion assay charges to a shareholder upon the sale or redemption of Class A shares of Central Fund.

## First Quarter Report

Central Fund currently holds over 99.9% of its net assets in gold and silver bullion. At January 31, 2016, Central Fund's gold holdings consisted of 1,686,218 fine ounces of physical bullion and 8,427 fine ounces of gold bullion certificates for a total of 1,694,645 fine ounces. Silver holdings consisted of 76,656,729 ounces of physical bullion and 307,374 ounces of silver bullion certificates for a total of 76,964,103 ounces. Central Fund continues to fulfill its mandate as "The Sound Monetary Fund".

On behalf of the Board of Directors:

*J.C. Stefan Spicer, Chairman, President & CEO*

February 22, 2016

### Management's Discussion and Analysis ("MD&A")

The interim financial statements of Central Fund of Canada Limited ("Central Fund" or the "Company") are prepared and reported in United States ("U.S.") dollars in accordance with International Accounting Standards ("IAS") 34 "Interim Financial Reporting" and may not include all of the information required for full annual financial statements. Notes to the financial statements on pages 9 to 17 should be referred to as supplementary information to this discussion and analysis.

Central Fund is a specialized investment holding company which invests primarily in long-term holdings of unencumbered, allocated and physically segregated gold and silver bullion and it does not speculate in gold and silver prices. Central Fund is not an operating entity nor does it have any employees, office facilities or the potential risks thereof. Central Fund retains The Central Group Alberta Ltd (the "Administrator") to attend to all administrative duties as delegated by the Administrative and Consulting Agreement and as guided by the Board of Directors.

There are no off-balance sheet items, arrangements, contingencies or obligations. All accounts are fully disclosed and itemized in the interim financial statements.

Certain statements in this report may constitute forward-looking information within the meaning of securities laws. Forward-looking information may relate to the Company's future outlook and anticipated events and may relate to matters that are not historical facts. In particular, statements regarding the Company's objectives and strategies are forward-looking statements. These statements are based on certain factors and assumptions which are considered reasonable as of the current date but may prove to be incorrect. Forward-looking information is also subject to certain factors, including risks and uncertainties (described in "Risk Factors" in the Company's 2015 annual MD&A), that could cause future events and results to differ materially from what the Company currently foresees.

### Disclosure Controls and Procedures

The Senior Executive Officers have established and implemented disclosure controls and procedures in order to provide reasonable assurance that material information relating to the Company is disclosed on a timely basis. They believe these disclosure controls and procedures have been effective during the three months ended January 31, 2016.

### Outstanding Shares

There were 254,432,713 Class A retractable shares and 40,000 Common shares issued and outstanding at January 31, 2016 and October 31, 2015.

### Financial Results – Changes in Net Assets

Total equity (referred to as "net assets") decreased by \$174.0 million or 5.5% during the three months ended January 31, 2016 primarily as a result of a 2.7% decrease in the price of gold per fine ounce (January 29, 2016: \$1,111.80; October 30, 2015: \$1,142.35) and a 9.9% decrease in the price of silver per ounce (January 29, 2016: \$14.08; October 30, 2015: \$15.63) during the period.

The following table summarizes selected quarterly financial information (amounts in millions except where stated on a per share basis):

	Quarter ended (U.S.\$)			
	Jan. 31, 2016	Oct. 31, 2015	July 31, 2015	Apr. 30, 2015
<i>Change in unrealized appreciation of holdings</i>	\$(171.1)	\$156.8	\$(289.6)	\$(166.3)
<i>Net income (loss) inclusive of the change in unrealized appreciation of holdings</i>	\$(174.0)	\$152.9	\$(292.6)	\$(169.0)
<i>Net income (loss) per Class A share inclusive of the change in unrealized appreciation of holdings</i>	\$(0.69)	\$0.60	\$(1.15)	\$(0.66)
<i>Total net assets</i>	2,968.0	\$3,142.0	\$2,991.7	\$3,284.2
<i>Gold Price (per fine ounce)</i>	\$1,111.80	\$1,142.35	\$1,098.40	\$1,180.25
<i>Silver Price (per ounce)</i>	\$14.08	\$15.63	\$14.56	\$16.52
	Jan. 31, 2015	Oct. 31, 2014	July 31, 2014	Apr. 30, 2014
<i>Change in unrealized appreciation of holdings</i>	\$218.1	\$(550.6)	\$103.0	\$61.2
<i>Net income (loss) inclusive of the change in unrealized appreciation of holdings</i>	\$215.4	\$(553.5)	\$100.1	\$58.2
<i>Net income (loss) per Class A share inclusive of the change in unrealized appreciation of holdings</i>	\$0.85	\$(2.17)	\$0.39	\$0.23
<i>Total net assets</i>	\$3,453.3	\$3,237.9	\$3,793.8	\$3,693.7
<i>Gold Price (per fine ounce)</i>	\$1,260.25	\$1,164.25	\$1,285.25	\$1,288.50
<i>Silver Price (per ounce)</i>	\$16.92	\$16.20	\$20.69	\$19.28

**Financial Results – Net Income**

Central Fund's earned income objective is secondary to its purpose of holding almost all of its net assets in gold and silver bullion. Generally, Central Fund seeks only to maintain adequate cash reserves to enable it to pay expenses and Class A share dividends. Because gold and silver bullion are not loaned to generate income, Central Fund's realized income is a nominal percentage of its net assets.

Net loss, inclusive of the change in unrealized appreciation of holdings, for the three months ended January 31, 2016 was \$174.0 million compared to net income of \$215.4 million for the comparative period in 2015. Virtually all of the net loss for the three-month period ended January 31, 2016 was a result of the change in the unrealized appreciation of holdings during the period which was driven by the lower prices of gold and silver bullion during the three-month period. Certain expenses, such as administration fees and safekeeping fees, vary relative to net asset levels. Administration fees, which are scaled and are calculated monthly based on the total net assets at each month-end, decreased by \$165,797 during the three-month period ended January 31, 2016 as compared to the same period in 2015. The decrease in administration fees was a direct result of the lower levels of average net assets under administration during the three-month periods.

Expenses as a percentage of average month-end net assets (the "expense ratio") for the three-month period ended January 31, 2016 was 0.10% compared to 0.08% for the comparable three-month period in 2015. For the twelve-month period ended January 31, 2016, the expense ratio was 0.40% compared to 0.32% for the twelve-month period ended January 31, 2015. The increases in the expense ratios were a direct result of costs (\$513,654) incurred to address issues related to Class A Shareholders' Proceedings. If not for these costs, the expense ratios would have been 0.08% for the three month period, and 0.33% for the twelve-month period, ended January 31, 2016.

**Liquidity and Capital Resources**

All of Central Fund's assets are liquid. The Company's liquidity objective is to hold cash and cash equivalents in a safe and conservative manner to generate income primarily to be applied towards expenses and Class A share dividends. The ability of Central Fund to have sufficient cash for expenses and dividend payments, and to meet demands for redemptions (if any), is primarily dependent upon its ability to realize cash flow from its cash equivalents. Should Central Fund not have sufficient cash to meet its needs, portions of Central Fund's bullion holdings may be sold to fund dividend payments, provide working capital and pay for redemptions (if any) of Class A shares.

For the three months ended January 31, 2016, Central Fund's cash and cash equivalents decreased by \$6.0 million to \$1.4 million. This decrease was a result of the amounts used to pay expenses, including costs of the Class A Shareholders' Proceedings and the year-end Class A share dividend. The Board of Directors and Senior Executive Officers monitor Central Fund's cash position with an emphasis on maintaining its mandate to hold maximum amounts of gold and silver bullion at all times.

**Administrator and Other Related Party Information**

Please refer to Note 9 of the quarterly financial statements.

**Class A Shareholders' Proceedings - Requisition and Application**

The costs incurred by the Company of \$513,654 for the quarter ended January 31, 2016 (January 31, 2015: nil), primarily for legal and advisory work in relation to the Class A Shareholders' Proceedings may be reduced by virtue of a partial recovery of costs as awarded to the Company by the Court. Any potential recovery of costs is not recognized in the financial statements and would not be recognized until the recovery of such costs is virtually certain.

**Additional Information**

This MD&A is dated February 22, 2016. Additional information relating to the Company, including its Annual Information Form and 2015 Annual Report, is available on the SEDAR website at [www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com) and Central Fund's website at [www.centralfund.com](http://www.centralfund.com).

**Statements of Financial Position**

(expressed in U.S. dollars, unaudited)

	January 31, 2016	October 31, 2015
	\$	\$
<b>Net assets:</b>		
Gold bullion at market (Notes 2(a) and 5)	1,884,105,595	1,935,876,980
Silver bullion at market (Notes 2(a) and 5)	1,083,654,572	1,202,948,931
Cash and cash equivalents (Notes 2(b) and 6)	1,443,177	7,437,644
Other receivables and prepayments (Note 2(c))	313,058	310,149
<b>Total assets:</b>	<b>2,969,516,402</b>	<b>3,146,573,704</b>
<b>Liabilities:</b>		
Dividends payable	-	2,544,327
Accrued liabilities (Notes 2(c), 7 and 9)	1,554,305	2,033,419
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>1,554,305</b>	<b>4,577,746</b>
<b>Equity:</b>		
Share Capital (Notes 2(d) and 8)		
Class A shares	2,419,770,678	2,419,770,678
Common shares	19,458	19,458
Retained earnings inclusive of unrealized appreciation of holdings	548,171,961	722,205,822
<b>Total equity</b>	<b>2,967,962,097</b>	<b>3,141,995,958</b>
<b>Total liabilities and equity</b>	<b>2,969,516,402</b>	<b>3,146,573,704</b>
<b>Total equity per share: Notes 2(h) and 10)</b>		
Class A shares	11.66	12.35
Common shares	8.66	9.35
<b>Exchange rate:</b> U.S. \$1.00 = Cdn.	1.4080	1.3083
<b>Total equity per share expressed in Canadian dollars:</b>		
Class A shares	16.42	16.15
Common shares	12.20	12.23

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

On behalf of the Board:

"Bruce D. Heagle"  
Director

"Glenn C. Fox"  
Director

**Statements of Comprehensive Income (Loss)**

(expressed in U.S. dollars, unaudited)

	Three months ended January 31,	
	2016	2015
	\$	\$
<b>Income:</b>		
Interest	2,480	12,372
<b>Total income</b>	<b>2,480</b>	<b>12,372</b>
<b>Expenses:</b>		
Administration fees (Note 9)	1,380,553	1,546,350
Safekeeping fees and bank charges	818,510	941,419
Directors' fees and expenses	62,111	51,520
Legal fees (Note 9)	58,308	18,195
Shareholder Information	41,744	46,891
Stock exchange fees	35,450	34,790
Audit and related regulatory fees	27,698	29,558
Registrar and transfer agent fees	13,208	15,309
Class A Shareholders' Proceedings (Note 14)	513,654	-
Foreign exchange loss (gain)	(6,470)	-
<b>Total expenses</b>	<b>2,944,766</b>	<b>2,684,032</b>
<b>Net loss from administrative activities</b>	<b>(2,942,286)</b>	<b>(2,671,660)</b>
<b>Change in unrealized appreciation of holdings</b>	<b>(171,091,575)</b>	<b>218,074,795</b>
<b>Net income (loss) and comprehensive income (loss) inclusive of the change in unrealized appreciation of holdings</b>	<b>(174,033,861)</b>	<b>215,403,135</b>

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

**Statements of Changes in Equity**

(expressed in U.S. dollars, unaudited)

	Total Shares Outstanding	Share Capital \$	Retained Earnings \$	Total Equity \$
<b>November 1, 2014</b>	254,472,713	2,419,790,136	818,065,624	3,237,855,760
Net income (loss) for the period			215,403,135	215,403,135
<b>January 31, 2015</b>	254,472,713	2,419,790,136	1,033,468,759	3,453,258,895
<b>November 1, 2015</b>	254,472,713	2,419,790,136	722,205,822	3,141,995,958
Net income (loss) for the period			(174,033,861)	(174,033,861)
<b>January 31, 2016</b>	254,472,713	2,419,790,136	548,171,961	2,967,962,097

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

**Statements of Cash Flows**  
*(expressed in U.S. dollars, unaudited)*

	<i>Three months ended January 31,</i>	
	<i>2016</i>	<i>2015</i>
	<i>\$</i>	<i>\$</i>
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>		
<i>Net income (loss)</i>	(174,033,861)	215,403,135
<i>Adjustment to reconcile net income (loss) to net cash used in operating activities:</i>		
<i>Change in unrealized appreciation of holdings</i>	171,091,575	(218,074,795)
<i>Net changes in operating assets and liabilities:</i>		
<i>(Increase) in other receivables and prepayments</i>	(2,910)	(20,342)
<i>Increase (decrease) in accrued liabilities</i>	(479,114)	931,114
<i>Effect of exchange rate change</i>	(25,830)	(25,219)
<b>Net cash used in operating activities</b>	(3,450,140)	(1,786,107)
<b>Cash flows from investing activities</b>	-	-
<b>Cash flows from financing activities</b>	-	-
<b>Dividend paid</b>	(2,544,327)	(2,544,327)
<b>Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents</b>	(5,994,467)	(4,330,434)
<i>Beginning of period cash and cash equivalents</i>	7,437,644	23,024,922
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at January 31</b>	1,443,177	18,694,488

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

**Notes to Financial Statements**

*For the three months ended January 31, 2016*

*(amounts expressed in U.S. dollars unless otherwise stated)*

**1. Organization of the Company**

Central Fund of Canada Limited (“Central Fund” or the “Company”) was incorporated under the Business Corporations Act, 1961 (Ontario), and was continued under the Business Corporations Act (Alberta) on April 5, 1990. The Company is a specialized, passive holding company with almost all of its assets held in gold and silver bullion.

Central Fund is a low-cost, convenient facility for the investment ownership of gold and silver bullion.

The Company is authorized to issue an unlimited number of Class A non-voting shares. All issued shares are listed and traded on the New York Stock Exchange MKT (symbol CEF) and the Toronto Stock Exchange (symbol CEF.A in Canadian dollars and CEF.U in U.S. dollars).

The purpose of Central Fund is to acquire, hold and secure gold and silver bullion on behalf of its shareholders. All gold and silver bullion bars are “Good Delivery Bars” as defined by the London Bullion Market Association (“LBMA”), and are stored on an allocated and segregated basis in the highest rated (Class 3) underground treasury vaults of its Custodian, the Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce, one of the largest banks in Canada.

The Company’s head office is located at 1323 – 15th Avenue S.W. Suite 805, Calgary, Alberta, Canada, T3C 0X8.

The Central Group Alberta Ltd. (the “Administrator”) acts as the administrator of the Company pursuant to an Administrative Services Agreement with the Company.

The financial statements of the Company as at and for the three months ended January 31, 2016 were authorized for issue by the Directors of the Company on February 22, 2016.

**2. Summary of significant accounting policies:**
**Basis of Preparation**

The Company’s interim financial statements have been prepared in accordance with International Accounting Standards (“IAS”) 34 “Interim Financial Reporting”. The interim financial statements may not include all of the information required for full annual financial statements.

These interim financial statements have been prepared on a historical cost basis, except for gold and silver bullion, financial assets and financial liabilities held at fair value through profit or loss, which have been measured at fair value. The financial statements are presented in U.S. dollars and all values are rounded to the nearest dollar unless otherwise indicated.

**(a) Gold and silver holdings:**

Gold and silver bullion, and gold and silver certificates, are measured at fair value by reference to the final daily London Bullion Market Association fixing rates, with realized gains and losses and unrealized appreciation or depreciation of holdings recorded in income based on the IAS 40 Investment Property fair value model, as IAS 40 is the most relevant standard to apply. Investment transactions are accounted for on the trade date.

**(b) Cash and cash equivalents:**

Cash and cash equivalents consist of deposits with the Company's banker, which are not subject to restrictions.

**(c) Other receivables and prepayments and accrued liabilities:**

- i) Other receivables and prepayments include all financial assets other than cash and cash equivalents and gold and silver bullion. Prepaid expenses and accrued interest receivable would be included in this category.
- ii) Accrued liabilities include all financial liabilities. Administration fees payable, safekeeping fees payable and other accounts payable would be included in this category.

**(d) Share capital:**

The Company has Class A non-voting shares, which are retractable, as well as Common shares, which are not retractable. Due to the discount at which a holder is permitted to retract the shares, as well as the limitations on the circumstances in which retraction is permissible, the Company has determined that the retraction feature should not be included in the assessment of equity classification under IAS 32 Financial Instruments – Presentation. Accordingly, the Company has classified both the Class A non-voting shares and the Common shares as equity in these financial statements.

**(e) Fees and other expenses:**

Fees and other expenses are recognized on an accrual basis.

**(f) Income taxes:**

Central Fund is taxed as a "Mutual Fund Corporation" for income tax purposes. The Directors intend to distribute all net realized capital gains and all taxable income (net of any loss carryforwards available) directly earned by Central Fund to its Shareholders and to deduct such distributions for income tax purposes. Accordingly, there is no provision for income taxes.

**(g) Net loss from administrative activities:**

The Company exists for the purpose of holding gold and silver bullion, on an allocated and segregated basis, on behalf of its shareholders. Gold and silver holdings are intended to be permanent assets of the Company and the unrealized appreciation of the gold and silver holdings does not represent distributable earnings. There generally is no intention to sell any of the Company's gold and silver holdings unless it becomes necessary to generate cash to meet redemptions (if any) and to pay ongoing expenses. The Company currently does not loan, lease or otherwise utilize its gold and silver bullion holdings to generate income and, consequently, the Company expects to incur a net loss from its administration activities.

**(h) Per share calculation:**

The calculation of total equity (or the net asset value) per share is based on the number of shares outstanding at the end of the reporting period. Central Fund has no dilutive instruments.

**(i) Functional and presentation currency:**

The Company's functional and presentation currency is the U.S. dollar. The Company's performance is evaluated and its liquidity is managed in U.S. dollars. Therefore, the U.S. dollar is considered as the currency that most faithfully represents the economic effects of the underlying transactions, events and conditions of the Company.

**3. Significant accounting judgments, estimates and assumptions:**

The preparation of the Company's financial statements required the Senior Executive Officers to make judgments, estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts recognized in the financial statements. Uncertainty about these assumptions and estimates could result in outcomes that may require a material adjustment to the carrying amount of the asset or liability affected in future periods.

***Judgments***

In the process of applying the Company's accounting policies, Senior Executive Officers have made the following judgments, which have the most significant effect on the amounts in the financial statements:

***Going concern***

The Company's Senior Executive Officers have made an assessment of the Company's ability to continue as a going concern and are satisfied that the Company has the resources to continue in business for the foreseeable future. Furthermore, the Senior Executive Officers are not aware of any material uncertainties that may cast significant doubt upon the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. Therefore, the financial statements continue to be prepared on a going concern basis.

**Estimates and Assumptions**

Estimation uncertainties in accounting assumptions at the reporting date that could cause material adjustment to carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year are discussed below. The Company based its assumptions and estimates on information available when the financial statements were prepared. However, existing circumstances and assumptions about future developments may change due to market changes or circumstances arising beyond the control of the Company. Such changes are reflected in the assumptions when they occur.

For tax purposes, the Company's policy is to treat any gains (or losses) from the disposition of gold and silver bullion as capital gains, rather than income (or loss), as the Company is and intends to continue to be a long-term passive holder of gold and silver bullion, and generally would only dispose of a portion of its holdings in gold and silver bullion for the purposes of meeting redemptions (if any), share repurchases and to pay expenses. The Canada Revenue Agency has, however, expressed its opinion that gains (or losses) of mutual fund corporations resulting from transactions in commodities should generally be treated for tax purposes as ordinary income rather than as capital gains, although the treatment in each particular case remains a question of fact to be determined having regard to all the circumstances.

The Company has also applied judgment in concluding that the retraction feature of the Class A non-voting shares should not be included in the assessment referred to in note 2(d).

**4. Segment information:**

For administrative purposes, the Company is organized into one main segment, being the passive, long-term holding of gold and silver bullion. It is not an active operating entity, and does not exist primarily to earn income. All of the Company's activities are interrelated, and each activity is dependent on the others. Accordingly, all significant administrative decisions are based upon an analysis of the Company as one segment. The financial results from this segment are equivalent to the financial statements of the Company as a whole. The Company's income (or loss) is almost entirely made up of the changes in the value of its gold and silver holdings.

**5. Gold and silver bullion:**

Details of gold and silver bullion holdings are as follows:

		<u>January 31, 2016</u>	<u>October 31, 2015</u>
<b>Gold bullion:</b>			
<i>Fine ounces</i>	- 400 oz. bars	1,673,329	1,673,329
	- 100 oz. bars	12,889	12,889
	- bank certificates	8,427	8,427
<i>Total fine ounces</i>		<u>1,694,645</u>	<u>1,694,645</u>
<i>Average Cost</i>	- per fine ounce	\$799.66	\$799.66
<i>Cost</i>		<u>\$1,355,145,634</u>	<u>\$1,355,145,634</u>
<i>Market</i>	- per fine ounce	\$1,111.80	\$1,142.35
<i>Market value</i>		<u>\$1,884,105,595</u>	<u>\$1,935,876,980</u>
<b>Silver bullion:</b>			
<i>Ounces</i>	- 1,000 oz. bars	76,656,729	76,584,499
	- bank certificates	307,374	379,603
<i>Total ounces</i>		<u>76,964,103</u>	<u>76,964,102</u>
<i>Average Cost</i>	- per ounce	\$12.53	\$12.53
<i>Cost</i>		<u>\$964,091,381</u>	<u>\$964,091,381</u>
<i>Market</i>	- per ounce	\$14.08	\$15.63
<i>Market value</i>		<u>\$1,083,654,572</u>	<u>\$1,202,948,931</u>

**6. Cash and cash equivalents:**

As at January 31, 2016 the Company held one Canadian dollar flexible GIC deposit with a Schedule 1 Canadian bank in the amount of \$71,837 (Cdn. \$101,150) bearing interest at a rate of 0.85% per annum with a maturity date of February 16, 2016. As at January 31, 2016, cash deposits of \$1,371,340 were held in a Canadian bank at a variable interest rate of 0.25% per annum.

As at October 31, 2015, the Company held one Canadian dollar flexible GIC deposit with a Schedule 1 Canadian bank in the amount of \$77,319 (Cdn. \$101,150) bearing interest at a rate of 0.85% per annum with a maturity date of February 16, 2016. As at October 31, 2015, cash deposits of \$7,360,325 were held in a Canadian bank at a variable interest rate of 0.25% per annum.

**7. Fair value of financial instruments:**

As at January 31, 2016 and October 31, 2015, due to the short-term nature of financial assets and financial liabilities recorded at cost, it is assumed that the carrying amount of those instruments approximates their fair value.

**8. Share capital:**

The authorized share capital consists of an unlimited number of Class A non-voting shares without nominal or par value and 50,000 Common shares without nominal or

par value. There were 254,432,713 Class A shares, which are retractable, and 40,000 Common shares issued and outstanding at January 31, 2016 and October 31, 2015. The Class A shares are entitled to U.S. \$3.00 per share on liquidation, before any remaining net assets are attributed equally to each Class A share and Common share then outstanding.

Since October 1989, holders of the Company's Class A shares have had the option to require the Company to redeem their Class A shares on the last day of each fiscal quarter of the Company (each a "Retraction Date") for 80% of the Company's net asset value per Class A share on the Retraction Date. Class A shareholders who wish to exercise this retraction right must submit their written redemption request at least 90 days prior to the desired Retraction Date. Since adoption of this redemption feature, no shareholders have submitted redemption requests.

The stated capital and recorded capital of the Company as at January 31, 2016 and October 31, 2015 was as follows:

	<i>January 31, 2016</i>	<i>October 31, 2015</i>
<b>Stated capital</b>		
Class A shares: 254,432,713	\$2,434,715,140	\$2,434,715,140
Share issue costs	(14,944,462)	(14,944,462)
<b>Recorded capital</b>		
Class A shares: 254,432,713	2,419,770,678	2,419,770,678
40,000 Common shares	19,458	19,458
<b>Share capital</b>	<b>\$2,419,790,136</b>	<b>\$2,419,790,136</b>
<i>Weighted average Class A and Common shares outstanding</i>	<i>254,472,713</i>	<i>254,472,713</i>

#### 9. Related party transactions and fees:

Central Fund has no employees. It is party to an Administrative and Consulting Agreement with The Central Group Alberta Ltd., which is related to the Company through four of its officers and directors. The Central Group Alberta Ltd., which acts as Administrator, has operating offices with employees, advisors and consultants who provide administrative and consulting services to the Company. For such services, the Company pays an administrative and consulting fee, payable monthly, until at least October 31, 2018, at an annual rate of: 0.30% on the first \$400 million of total net assets; 0.20% on the next \$600 million of total net assets; and 0.15% on total net assets exceeding one billion dollars.

Mr. Ian M.T. McAvity, a member of the Board of Directors, is not an Officer of the Corporation, or a director, officer or employee of the Administrator. Based on a 1983 agreement with the Administrator, and in lieu of a small minority equity position in the Administrator, he receives an annual payment equal to 6% of the administration fee received by the Administrator. In accordance with the provisions of the agreement, Mr. McAvity provides general advice in relation to bullion and currency market trends and developments to the Administrator and the Board of Directors of the Corporation. Fees paid by the Administrator for the three months ended January 31, 2016 were \$78,889 (2015: \$88,363).

Mr. Michael A. Parente, a member of the Board of Directors, is not an Officer of the Corporation, or a director, officer or employee of the Administrator. He is engaged by the Administrator for the benefit of the Corporation to provide services in respect of ongoing analysis and compliance in financial reporting requirements of International Financial Reporting Standards and internal control related matters. Fees paid by the Administrator, for the three months ended January 31, 2016 were \$9,215 (2015: \$10,598).

Included in accrued liabilities at January 31, 2016, is \$468,295 (October 31, 2015: \$491,137), which relates to that month's administration fee payable to the Administrator.

For the three months ended January 31, 2016 Administration fees of \$1,380,553 (2015: \$1,546,350) were paid to the Administrator.

For the three months ended January 31, 2016, the Company incurred fees totaling \$56,817 (2015: \$14,686) to legal firms of which one of the Company's officers (and director) is a partner and one of the Company's officers is the principal. In addition, during the three-month period ended January 31, 2016, \$103,350 of legal fees were payable to the same legal firms regarding the Class A Shareholders' Proceedings as described in Note 14. The Board of Directors is of the view that these services were undertaken under similar terms and conditions as services with unrelated parties.

#### 10. Financial highlights:

	<b>Three months ended January 31</b>	
	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>
Gold Price (per fine ounce)	\$1,111.80	\$1,260.25
Silver Price (per ounce)	\$14.08	\$16.92
<b>Class A per share performance:</b>		
<b>Net asset value per share at beginning of period</b>	\$12.35	\$12.72
Increase (decrease):		
Net loss before the change in unrealized appreciation of holdings	(0.01)	(0.01)
Change in unrealized appreciation of holdings - gold	(0.21)	0.64
- silver	(0.47)	0.22
<b>Total increase (decrease) <sup>(1)</sup></b>	<b>(0.69)</b>	<b>0.85</b>
<b>Net asset value per share at end of period</b>	<b>\$11.66</b>	<b>\$13.57</b>
<b>Total return for period</b>	<b>(5.6)%</b>	<b>6.7%</b>
<b>Percentages and supplemental data:</b>		
<b>Ratio as a percentage of average net assets:</b>		
Expenses <sup>(2)</sup>	0.10%	0.08%
Net loss before the change in unrealized appreciation of holdings <sup>(2)</sup>	0.10%	0.08%

The increase (decrease) per share is based on the weighted average number of shares outstanding during the period. The net asset values per share are based on the actual number of shares outstanding at the end of the relevant reporting period.

<sup>(1)</sup> This table is not meant to be a reconciliation of beginning to end of period net asset value per share.

<sup>(2)</sup> Ratios not annualized.



**11. Management of financial risks:**

The Company has risk management policies and procedures in place to identify risks related to financial instruments and physical assets. The objectives of these policies and procedures are to identify and mitigate risk. The Company's compliance with these policies and procedures is monitored by the Senior Executive Officers, the Audit Committee and the Board of Directors of the Company. Market fluctuations are unpredictable and outside the control of the Company. New risk factors may emerge from time to time and it is not possible for the Company to predict all such risk factors. The market price for the Class A shares may be above or below the net asset value per Class A share at any time due to market conditions.

*Price risk*

Price risk is the risk that the price of a security or physical asset may decline. It is possible to calculate the impact that changes in the market prices of gold and silver bullion will have on the Company's net asset value per Class A share both in U.S. dollars and Cdn. dollars. Assuming as a constant exchange rate the rate which existed on January 31, 2016 of Cdn. \$1.4080 for each U.S. dollar together with the holdings of gold and silver bullion which existed on that date, a 10% change in the price of gold would increase or decrease the net asset value per Class A share by approximately U.S. \$0.74 per share or Cdn. \$1.04 per share. A 10% change in the price of silver would increase or decrease the net asset value per Class A share by approximately U.S. \$0.43 per share or Cdn. \$0.60 per share. If both gold and silver prices were to change by 10% simultaneously in the same direction, the net asset value per Class A share would increase or decrease by approximately U.S. \$1.17 per share or Cdn. \$1.64 per share.

*Currency risk*

Currency risk is the risk that the value of an asset or liability will fluctuate due to changes in foreign currency exchange rates.

When expressed in U.S. dollars Central Fund's net asset value per Class A share is largely unaffected by changes in the U.S./Cdn. dollar exchange rate due to the fact that nearly all of Central Fund's net assets are priced in U.S. dollars. For this same reason, an increase or decrease in the value of the U.S. dollar relative to the Cdn. dollar would change the net asset value per Class A share as expressed in Cdn. dollars in the same direction by approximately the same percentage change in the value of the U.S. dollar.

Due to the limited value of transactions initiated in Cdn. dollars throughout the period, a strengthening or weakening of the Cdn. dollar relative to the U.S. dollar applied to balances outstanding at January 31, 2016 would not have had any material impact on the net loss for the three months then ended, assuming that all other variables, in particular interest rates, remained constant.

*Credit risk*

Credit risk on financial instruments is the risk of loss occurring as a result of the default of an issuer on its obligation to Central Fund. Credit risk is monitored on an ongoing basis and is managed by the Senior Executive Officers and Directors dealing only with issuers that are believed to be creditworthy.

*Liquidity risk*

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Company will not be able to generate adequate cash resources to fulfill its payment obligations. The Administrator regards all of Central Fund's assets as liquid. Central Fund traditionally has maintained sufficient cash reserves to enable it to pay expenses and dividends on its Class A shares.

Furthermore, over 99.9% of its net assets are in the form of gold and silver bullion which are readily marketable.

**12. Capital stewardship:**

The capital of the Company is represented by the issued and outstanding Class A and Common shares and the retained earnings, which comprise the net asset value attributable to participating shareholders. The Board of Directors direct the Administrator to administer the capital of the Company in accordance with the Company's stated objectives and restrictions, as stipulated in the Articles of Incorporation as amended, while maintaining sufficient cash to pay the expenses of maintaining the Company and to meet demands for redemption (if any). The Company does not have any externally imposed capital requirements.

**13. Personnel:**

The Company did not employ any personnel during the period, as its affairs were administered by the personnel of the Administrator, Senior Officers and Directors, as applicable.

**14. Class A Shareholders' Proceedings:**

The costs incurred by the Company of \$513,654 for the quarter ended January 31, 2016, (January 31, 2015: nil) primarily for legal and advisory work in relation to the Class A Shareholders' Proceedings may be reduced by virtue of a partial recovery of costs as awarded to the Company by the Court. Any potential recovery of costs is not recognized in the financial statements and would not be recognized until the recovery of such costs is virtually certain.

**15. Events after the reporting period:**

On February 1, 2016, the Corporation announced its intention to institute a normal course issuer bid for its Class A non-voting shares, subject to regulatory approval including the approval of the Toronto Stock Exchange. The Corporation will be liquidating a small portion of its bullion holdings in order to facilitate the purchase of shares and payment of expenses.

**Corporate Information**

**Directors**

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 Glenn C. Fox (C)(I)(L)  
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 Ian M.T. McAvity  
 Michael A. Parente (C)(I)  
 Jason A. Schwandt (A)(I)  
 Dale R. Spackman, Q.C.  
 J.C. Stefan Spicer

**Officers**

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 Dale R. Spackman, Q.C., Vice-Chairman  
 Catherine A. Spackman CPA, CMA, Treasurer & CFO  
 Teresa E. Poper CB, Assistant Treasurer  
 John S. Elder, Q.C., Secretary and Counsel

**Consultants**

Douglas E. Heagle, Retired Director

- (A) - Member of Audit Committee
- (C) - Member of Corporate Governance Committee
- (I) - May be regarded as an independent director under Canadian securities administrators' guidelines
- (L) - Lead Director

**Administrator**

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**Custodian**

Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce

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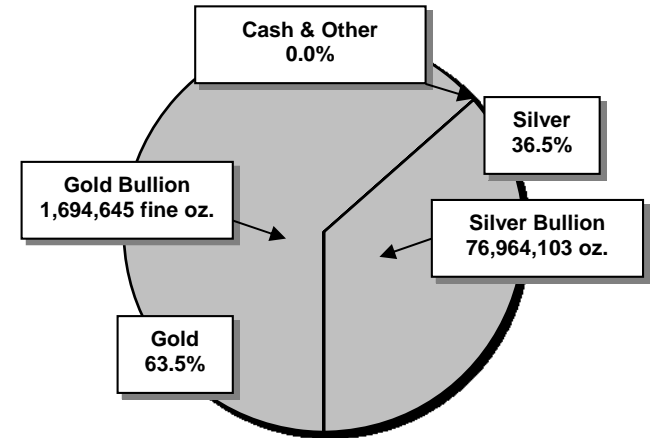
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Central Fund of Canada Limited

Net Asset Summary  
 at  
 January 31, 2016



**Class A Shares Stock Exchange Listings**

	<u>Electronic Ticker Symbol</u>	<u>Newspaper Quote Symbol</u>
NYSE MKT	CEF	CFCda
The Toronto Stock Exchange	CEF.A in CDN \$ CEF.U in US \$	CFund A
Cusip number	153501101	

**Net Asset Value Information**

The net asset value per Class A share is calculated daily and is available at [www.centrafund.com](http://www.centrafund.com), or by calling the Administrator's Investor Inquiries Office at (905) 648-7878, or by sending an email to [info@centrafund.com](mailto:info@centrafund.com). The net asset value is published on a regular basis in several financial newspapers.