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**ALTERNATIVE INVESTMENT TRUST (ASX: AIQ) – MONTHLY FACTSHEET FOR
JANUARY 2017**

The Trust Company (RE Services) Limited in its capacity as responsible entity of Alternative Investment Trust (“AIQ”) and Laxey Partners (UK) Limited in its capacity as investment manager of AIQ are pleased to release the AIQ factsheet for January 2017, below.

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AIT *Alternative* Investment Trust

Alternative Investment Trust (AIT) has exposure primarily to a portfolio of absolute return funds. With a revised investment strategy, the assets of AIT are being realised and the fund is being wound down.

Fund facts as at January 2017

Monthly return	-3.24%	Net Assets (NA)	AUD 13,527,940
Unaudited NTA Jan 2017	AUD 0.104	Units in issue	130,692,470
Gross Assets (GA)	AUD 13,748,508	Traded on	ASX
Leverage - GA/NA	1.02	Currency	AUD
Domicile	Australia	Responsible Entity	The Trust Company (RE Services) Limited
SEDOL	B1B0GT6		ACN 003 278 831 AFSL 235 150
Ticker	AIQ AU	ISIN	AU000000AIQ2

Commentary & Portfolio Updates

- AIT's NTA return was -3.24% for January. The USD weakened by 4.86% against the AUD in January. This had a negative effect on AIT's NTA as the majority of AIT's net assets are USD denominated.
- On 20 January 2017 the responsible entity released an announcement titled Update on Change of Responsible Entity to ASX, stating that the responsible entity for AIT has not yet changed and the incoming responsible entity will inform the market once the Australian Securities & Investments Commission (ASIC) has updated its register.

Liquidity of AIT

The portfolio of AIT consists of exposure to a basket of absolute return funds via a Swap facility with Macquarie Bank Ltd. With all debt repaid in August 2010, AIT is free to make distributions to unitholders. The first return of capital to unitholders under the revised investment strategy was made in August 2009. After the July 2016 distribution of AUD 0.015 per unit, AUD 1.775 per unit (232 million AUD in total) has been returned to unitholders since February 2009; distributions will continue to be paid as per the revised mandate.

AIT is now predominately exposed to Side Pocket type positions and Redeeming Investments which have been gradually liquidating for a number of years. This means it is difficult to predict the future liquidity of these funds and payments to AIT are made on an ad hoc basis when the cash is available to the funds.

NTA returns (net)₁

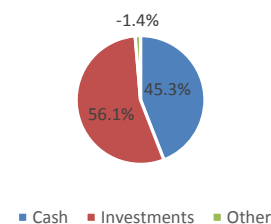
Annual	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016 YTD		
	9.3%	(9.5%)	(41.5%)	(16.3%)	(7.8%)	0.8%	1.7%	9.4%	3.4%	(0.1%)	(12.6%)		
Monthly	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
2009	(2.8%)	0.8%	(5.2%)	(2.9%)	(5.1%)	(0.4%)	(2.2%)	(1.1%)	(2.9%)	(1.1%)	(1.6%)	3.5%	(16.3%)
2010	0.5%	(0.3%)	(1.4%)	0.5%	7.0%	(1.1%)	(5.6%)	1.0%	(6.0%)	0.4%	2.2%	(4.5%)	(7.8%)
2011	3.0%	0.1%	0.3%	(3.5%)	0.8%	0.2%	(1.8%)	1.4%	6.6%	(4.6%)	(0.1%)	(2.4%)	0.8%
2012	(2.7%)	3.2%	3.4%	(0.9%)	4.9%	(5.6%)	(1.6%)	1.4%	1.6%	2.1%	(3.7%)	(0.2%)	1.7%
2013	(0.1%)	1.4%	(1.7%)	(0.2%)	(8.6%)	2.6%	(8.2%)	(0.1%)	(4.2%)	1.5%	3.5%	(0.7%)	9.4%
2014	1.7%	(2.0%)	(2.9%)	0.6%	(0.1%)	(1.6%)	1.7%	(1.1%)	4.9%	(1.6%)	2.2%	3.6%	3.4%
2015	1.7%	(1.0%)	1.8%	(3.9%)	1.5%	(0.3%)	2.3%	1.2%	(0.4%)	(1.8%)	(1.0%)	(0.9%)	(0.1%)
2016	0.3%	(2.9%)	(5.4%)	(1.0%)	2.0%	(2.7%)	(2.6%)	0.2%	(2.0%)	(0.0%)	0.7%	0.1%	(12.6%)
2017	(3.2%)												(3.2%)

Unaudited – In calculating the NTA, AIT asset values have been calculated using unaudited absolute return fund performance estimates for the month being reported. For the purposes of calculating the above figures, the Australian Equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards (AEIFRS) have been applied (other than for classification of net assets attributable to unitholders of AIT where Australian Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (AGAAP), as applied before the introduction of AEIFRS, have been used).

AIT Top Holdings as at January 2017

Fund	Strategy	% Gross Assets
TPG-Axon Partners Offshore Ltd	Multi-Strategy	13.34%
Eton Park Overseas Fund Ltd	Multi-Strategy	9.21%
Fortress Partners Fund LP	Multi-Strategy	7.44%
Marathon Special Opportunity Fund	Credit Related Investments	5.83%
Drawbridge Special Opportunities	Asset Based Lending	3.97%
Cerberus International Ltd	Distressed Securities	3.54%
Och-Ziff Asia Overseas Fund	Multi-Strategy	3.13%
Everest Absolute Return Fund	Multi-Strategy	2.79%
Och-Ziff Overseas II Fund	Multi-Strategy	2.14%
Fallaron II Holdings LP	Multi-Strategy	1.68%
Total		53.07%

Breakdown of Net Assets as at January 2017



Currency Exposure

AUD	41%
USD	59%

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Company Data and Contact Information

Manager	Laxey Partners (UK) Ltd	Management fee	The lower of either AUD 200,000 or 0.75% of average Gross
Administrator	CITCO		Asset Value (GAV)
Focus	Absolute Return Fund	Year end	31st December
Strategy	Realisation of Assets		
Launch	27-Jun-05		

About The Trust Company (RE Services) Limited, Responsible Entity of AIT

The Trust Company (RE Services) Limited is part of Perpetual Limited, a specialist fiduciary service provider in Australia and Singapore. Perpetual Limited was established in 1886 and has been acting as a responsible entity for its own internally managed schemes and for externally managed schemes since the introduction of the Managed Investments Act (MIA) in June 2000. The Trust Company (RE Services) Limited was previously part of The Trust Company Limited which was acquired by Perpetual Limited in December 2013.

About Laxey Partners (UK) Limited ("Laxey")

Laxey is part of Laxey Partners Ltd. Based on the Isle of Man in the British Isles and founded in 1998 as a globally active value management company, Laxey Partners Ltd manages a range of assets and funds for institutional investors.

Information

The monthly NTA is released to the ASX and www.thealternativeinvestmenttrust.com by the 14th of each month and AIT factsheets are available from AIT's website and the ASX. Figures in the factsheet are based on the interim monthly data available at the time that the corresponding monthly NTA is released.

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