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The interim report does not include all the notes of the type normally included in an annual financial report. Accordingly, this interim report is to be read in conjunction with the annual report for the year ended 30 June 2022 and any public announcements made in respect of PIMCO Global Bond Fund during the interim reporting period in accordance with the continuous disclosure requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001*.

This interim report covers PIMCO Global Bond Fund as an individual entity.

The Responsible Entity of PIMCO Global Bond Fund is PIMCO Australia Management Limited (ABN 37 611 709 507) (AFSL 487505).

The Responsible Entity's registered office is:

Level 19, 5 Martin Place Sydney, NSW 2000.

Directors' report

The directors of PIMCO Australia Management Limited, the Responsible Entity of PIMCO Global Bond Fund (the "Fund"), present their report together with the interim financial statements of the Fund for the half-year ended 31 December 2022.

Principal activities

The Fund mainly invests in global fixed interest securities, fixed interest derivatives and currency contracts in accordance with the Fund's Product Disclosure Statement and the provisions of the Fund's Constitution.

The Fund did not have any employees during the half-year.

There were no significant changes in the nature of the Fund's activities during the half-year.

The various service providers for the Fund are detailed below:

Service Provider

Responsible Entity PIMCO Australia Management Limited

Investment Manager PIMCO Australia Pty Limited

Custodian and Administrator State Street Australia Limited

Statutory Auditor PricewaterhouseCoopers

Directors

The following persons held office as directors of PIMCO Australia Management Limited during or since the end of the half-year and up to the date of this report:

Alec Kersman

V Mangala Ananthanarayanan

Brendon D Rodda David Erdonmez

Samuel Watkins (appointed on 1 January 2023)

Review and results of operations

During the half-year, the Fund continued to invest its funds in accordance with the Fund's Product Disclosure Statement and the provisions of the Fund's Constitution.

The Fund's performance for the half-year ended 31 December 2022 was (2.67%) (net of fees) for the Institutional Class and (2.71%) (net of fees) for the Wholesale Class. The Fund's benchmark, the Bloomberg Barclays Global Aggregate Index (AUD Hedged), returned (3.17%) for the same period.

Directors' report (continued)

Review and results of operations (continued)

The performance of the Fund, as represented by the results of its operations, was as follows:

	Half-year ended	
	31 December 2022	31 December 2021
Operating profit/(loss) before finance costs attributable to unit holders (\$'000)	(169,355)	(16,850)
Distributions - Institutional Class Units		
Distributions (\$'000)	16,580	9,588
Distributions (cents per unit)	563.96	263.65
Distributions - Wholesale Class Units		
Distributions (\$'000)	20,067	8,701
Distributions (cents per unit)	0.52	0.24

Significant changes in the state of affairs

Interest rates in the United States, Australia and many parts of the world continue to increase. In efforts to combat inflation, the U.S. Federal Reserve, the Reserve Bank of Australia (RBA) and other global central banks raised interest rates multiple times in 2022 and have indicated that interest rates will continue to rise in 2023. As a result the Portfolio currently faces a heightened level of risk associated with rising interest rates and/or bond yields. This could be driven by a variety of factors, including but not limited to central bank monetary policies, changing inflation or real growth rates, general economic conditions, increasing bond issuances or reduced market demand for low yielding investments. Further, while bond markets have steadily grown over the past three decades, dealer inventories of corporate bonds are near historic lows in relation to market size. As a result, there has been a significant reduction in the ability of dealers to "make markets".

Beginning in January 2020, global financial markets have experienced and may continue to experience significant volatility resulting from the spread of a novel coronavirus known as COVID-19. The outbreak of COVID-19 has resulted in travel and border restrictions, quarantines, supply chain disruptions, lower consumer demand and general market uncertainty. In 2022, many countries lifted some or all restrictions related to COVID-19. However, the effects of COVID-19 have and may continue to adversely affect the global economy, the economies of certain nations and individual issuers, all of which may negatively impact the Portfolio's performance. In addition, COVID-19 and governmental responses to COVID-19 may negatively impact the capabilities of the Portfolio's service providers and disrupt the Portfolio's operations.

Other than the above, there were no other significant events during the half-year ended 31 December 2022.

Rounding of amounts to the nearest thousand dollars

The Fund is an entity of a kind referred to in ASIC Corporations (Rounding in Financial/Directors' Reports) Instrument 2016/191 issued by the Australian Securities and Investments Commission (ASIC) relating to the "rounding off" of amounts in the Directors' report. Amounts in the Directors' report have been rounded to the nearest thousand dollars in accordance with that ASIC Corporations Instrument, unless otherwise indicated.

Directors' report (continued)

Auditor's independence declaration

A copy of the Auditor's independence declaration as required under section 307C of the *Corporations Act 2001* is set out on page 5.

This report is made in accordance with a resolution of the directors of PIMCO Australia Management Limited.

Director

Sydney 14 March 2023



Auditor's Independence Declaration

As lead auditor for the review of PIMCO Global Bond Fund for the half-year ended 31 December 2022, I declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief, there have been:

- (a) no contraventions of the auditor independence requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001* in relation to the review; and
- (b) no contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the review.

CJ Cummins

Partner

PricewaterhouseCoopers

Sydney 14 March 2023

Condensed statement of comprehensive income

		Half-year ended		
		31 December 2022	31 December 2021	
	Note	\$'000	\$'000	
Investment income				
Interest income from financial assets at fair value through profit or loss		91,637	76,573	
Interest income from financial assets at amortised cost		633	133	
Dividend income		-	108	
Net foreign exchange gain/(loss)		7,202	(35,348)	
Net gains/(losses) on financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss	4	(254,114)	(40,715)	
Other income		4	210	
Total investment income/(loss)		(154,638)	961	
Expenses				
Management fee	11	14,380	17,580	
Withholding taxes		,,,,,,,	17	
Transactional and Operational costs		337	214	
Total expenses		14,717	17,811	
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Operating profit/(loss)		<u>(169,355</u>)	(16,850)	
Finance costs attributable to unit holders				
Distributions to unit holders	8	(36,647)	(18,289)	
(Increase)/decrease in net assets attributable to unit holders	7	206,002	35,139	
Profit/(loss) for the half-year				
Other comprehensive income				
Total comprehensive income for the half-year				

The above condensed statement of comprehensive income should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

Condensed statement of financial position

	As at		it
		31 December 2022	30 June 2022
	Note	\$'000	\$'000
Assets			
Cash and cash equivalents		84,173	31,798
Receivables	9	40,905	34,986
Due from brokers - receivable for securities sold		2,368,854	1,839,071
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	5	7,801,150	7,593,474
Margin accounts		333,771	571,347
Total assets		10,628,853	10,070,676
Liabilities			
Distributions payable	8	18,527	18,120
Payables	10	16,787	26,625
Due to brokers - payable for securities purchased		3,436,709	2,094,244
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	6	881,800	1,734,037
Margin accounts		121,777	169,537
Total liabilities (excluding net assets attributable to unit holders)		4,475,600	4,042,563
Net assets attributable to unit holders - liability	7	6,153,253	6,028,113

The above condensed statement of financial position should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

Condensed statement of changes in equity

	Half-yea	Half-year ended		
	31 December 2022	31 December 2021		
	\$'000	\$'000		
Total equity at the beginning of the half-year	-	-		
Profit/(loss) for the half-year	-	-		
Other comprehensive income				
Total comprehensive income	-			
Transactions with owners in their capacity as owners				
Total equity at the end of the half-year				

Under Australian Accounting Standards, net assets attributable to unit holders are classified as a liability rather than equity. As a result, there was no equity at the start or end of the financial half-year.

The above condensed statement of changes in equity should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

Condensed statement of cash flows

	Half-year ended	
	31 December 2022	31 December 2021
	\$'000	\$'000
Cash flows from operating activities		
Proceeds from sale of financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss	55,540,201	31,440,982
Purchase of financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss	(56,035,719)	(31,845,500)
Net foreign exchange gain/(loss)	8,252	(34,795)
Net movement in margin accounts	189,816	164,189
Interest income received	76,662	70,976
Dividends received	-	107
Other income received	33	177
Management fee paid	(14,778)	(17,163)
Transactional and Operational costs paid	(337)	(214)
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from operating activities	(235,870)	(221,241)
Cash flows from financing activities		
Proceeds from applications by unit holders	969,201	1,002,968
Payments for redemptions by unit holders	(660,053)	(794,749)
Distributions paid to unit holders	(19,853)	(11,842)
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from financing activities	289,295	196,377
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	53,425	(24,864)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the half-year	31,798	67,392
Effects of foreign currency exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	(1,050)	(553)
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the half-year	84,173	41,975
Non-cash operating and financing activities		
Issue of units under the distribution reinvestment plan	16,387	12,110

The above condensed statement of cash flows should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

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1 General information

These interim financial statements cover PIMCO Global Bond Fund (the "Fund") as an individual entity. The Fund is an Australian registered managed investment scheme which was constituted on 16 June 1998 and will terminate on 15 June 2078, unless terminated earlier in accordance with the provisions of the Fund's Constitution.

The Responsible Entity of the Fund is PIMCO Australia Management Limited (ABN 37 611 709 507) (AFSL 487505) (the "Responsible Entity"). The Responsible Entity's registered office is Level 19, 5 Martin Place, Sydney, NSW 2000.

The Fund mainly invests in global fixed interest securities, fixed interest derivatives and currency contracts in accordance with the Fund's Product Disclosure Statement and the provisions of the Fund's Constitution.

On 5 May 2016, a new tax regime applying to Managed Investment Trusts ("MITs") was established under the *Tax Laws Amendment (New Tax System for Managed Investment Trusts) Act 2016*. The Attribution Managed Investment Trust ("AMIT") regime allows MITs that meet certain requirements to make an irrevocable choice to be an AMIT. In order to allow the Fund to elect into the AMIT tax regime effective 1 July 2017, the Fund's Constitution was amended. The Responsible Entity is therefore no longer contractually obligated to pay distributions. The units in the Fund remained classified as a financial liability due to the different features between the two open classes of units.

The interim financial statements were authorised for issue by the directors on the date the Directors' declaration was signed. The directors of the Responsible Entity have the power to amend and reissue the interim financial statements.

2 Basis of preparation

These interim financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards AASB 134 *Interim Financial Reporting* and the *Corporations Act 2001*. Compliance with AASB 134 ensures compliance with International Financial Reporting Standards IAS 34 *Interim Financial Reporting*.

These interim financial statements do not include all the notes of the type normally included in annual financial statements. Accordingly, these interim financial statements are to be read in conjunction with the annual financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2022 and any public announcements made in respect of the Fund during the interim reporting period in accordance with the continuous disclosure requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001*.

Changes in significant accounting policy

The accounting policies applied in these interim financial statements are the same as those of the previous financial year.

3 Fair value measurement

The Fund measures and recognises financial assets and liabilities at fair value through profit or loss on a recurring basis. The Fund has no assets or liabilities measured at fair value on a non-recurring basis in the current reporting period.

AASB 13 requires disclosure of fair value measurements by level of the following fair value measurement hierarchy:

- Quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (level 1);
- Inputs other than quoted prices included within level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly (level 2); and
- Inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (unobservable inputs) (level 3).

(a) Fair value in an active market (level 1)

The fair value of financial assets and liabilities traded in active markets (such as publicly traded derivatives and listed fixed interest securities) are based on quoted market prices at the close of trading at the end of the reporting period without any deduction for estimated future selling costs.

The Fund utilises the Price Source Agreement ("PSA prices") for its fair value inputs for both quoted financial assets and financial liabilities.

3 Fair value measurement (continued)

(a) Fair value in an active market (level 1) (continued)

When the Fund holds derivatives with offsetting market risks, it uses bid and ask prices as a basis for establishing fair values for the offsetting risk positions and applies this bid or asking price to the net open position, as appropriate.

A financial instrument is regarded as quoted in an active market if quoted prices are readily and regularly available from an exchange, dealer, broker, industry group, pricing service, or regulatory agency, and those prices represent actual and regularly occurring market transactions on an arm's length basis.

An active market is a market in which transactions for the asset or liability take place with sufficient frequency and volume to provide pricing information on an ongoing basis.

(b) Fair value in an inactive or unquoted market (level 2 and level 3)

The fair value of financial assets and liabilities that are not traded in an active market is determined using valuation techniques. These include the use of recent arm's length market transactions, reference to the current fair value of a substantially similar other instrument, discounted cash flow techniques, option pricing models or any other valuation technique that provides a reliable estimate of prices obtained in actual market transactions.

Where discounted cash flow techniques are used, estimated future cash flows are based on management's best estimates and the discount rate used is a market rate at the end of the reporting period applicable for an instrument with similar terms and conditions.

The fair value of derivatives that are not exchange traded is estimated at the amount that the Fund would receive or pay to terminate the contract at the end of the reporting period taking into account the current market conditions (volatility and appropriate yield curve) and the current creditworthiness of the counterparties. The fair value of a forward contract is determined as a net present value of estimated future cash flows, discounted at appropriate market rates as at the valuation date. The fair value of an option contract is determined by applying the Black Scholes option valuation model.

Some of the inputs to these models may not be market observable and are therefore estimated based on assumptions. The output of a model is always an estimate or approximation of a value that cannot be determined with certainty, and valuation techniques employed may not fully reflect all factors relevant to the positions the Fund holds. Valuations are therefore adjusted, where appropriate, to allow for additional factors including liquidity risk and counterparty risk.

(c) Recognised fair value measurements

The table below presents the Fund's financial assets and liabilities measured and recognised at fair value as at 31 December 2022 and 30 June 2022.

As at 31 December 2022	Level 1 \$'000	Level 2 \$'000	Level 3 \$'000	Total \$'000
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss:				
Foreign currency contracts	-	75,031	-	75,031
Swap contracts	-	240,922	-	240,922
Futures contracts	50,289	-	-	50,289
Options contracts	-	8,468	-	8,468
Fixed interest securities	-	6,819,070	-	6,819,070
Repurchase agreements	-	576,569	-	576,569
Term loans		30,801		30,801
Total financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	50,289	7,750,861		7,801,150

3 Fair value measurement (continued)

(c) Recognised fair value measurements (continued)

As at 31 December 2022	Level 1 \$'000	Level 2 \$'000	Level 3 \$'000	Total \$'000
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss:				
Foreign currency contracts	-	84,555	-	84,555
Swap contracts	-	404,332	-	404,332
Futures contracts	17,740	-	-	17,740
Options contracts	759	17,218	-	17,977
Fixed interest securities		357,196	<u>-</u> _	357,196
Total financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	18,499	863,301	<u>-</u> -	881,800
As at 30 June 2022	Level 1 \$'000	Level 2 \$'000	Level 3 \$'000	Total \$'000
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss:				
Foreign currency contracts	_	199,510	_	199,510
Swap contracts	-	239,251	_	239,251
Futures contracts	25,591	, -	_	25,591
Options contracts	-	6,585	_	6,585
Fixed interest securities	-	6,882,259	1	6,882,260
Repurchase agreements	-	215,371	-	215,371
Term loans		24,906	<u> </u>	24,906
Total financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	25,591	7,567,882	1	7,593,474
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss:				
Foreign currency contracts	-	325,384	-	325,384
Swap contracts	-	442,108	-	442,108
Futures contracts	9,262	-	-	9,262
Options contracts	223	30,717	-	30,940
Fixed interest securities	-	650,745	-	650,745
Reverse repurchase agreements		275,598	<u> </u>	275,598
Total financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	9,485	1,724,552	<u>-</u> -	1,734,037

(d) Transfer between levels

Management's policy is to recognise transfers into and transfers out of fair value hierarchy levels as at the end of the reporting period.

There were no transfers between levels in the fair value hierarchy at the end of the reporting period.

3 Fair value measurement (continued)

(e) Fair value measurements using significant unobservable inputs (level 3)

The following table presents the movement in level 3 instruments for the half-year ended 31 December 2022 and year ended 30 June 2022.

Fixed interest securities \$'000
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Valuation inputs and relationships to fair value

The following table summarises the quantitative information about the significant unobservable inputs used in the level 3 fair value measurements. See Note 3(b) for the valuation techniques adopted.

Description	Fair value \$'000	Unobservable inputs	Range of inputs (probability- weighted average)	Relationship of unobservable inputs to fair value
As at 31 December 2022 Fixed interest securities	-	Broker quote	Not applicable	Direct
As at 30 June 2022 Fixed interest securities	1	Broker quote	Not applicable	Direct

Valuation processes

Portfolio reviews are undertaken regularly by management to identify securities that potentially may not be actively traded or have stale security pricing. This process identifies securities which possibly could be regarded as being level 3 securities. Further analysis, should it be required, is undertaken to determine the accounting significance of the identification. For certain security types, in selecting the most appropriate valuation model, management performs back testing and considers actual market transactions. Changes in allocation to or from level 3 are analysed at the end of each reporting period.

(f) Financial instruments not carried at fair value

The carrying value of receivables and payables are assumed to approximate their fair values.

Net assets attributable to unit holders' carrying value differ from its fair value (deemed to be redemption price for individual units) due to differences in valuation inputs. This difference is not material in the current or prior reporting period.

4 Net gains/(losses) on financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss

Net gains/(losses) recognised in relation to financial assets and liabilities at fair value through profit or loss:

	Half-yea 31 December 2022 \$'000	r ended 31 December 2021 \$'000
Financial assets		
Net realised gain/(loss) on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	1,103,755	483,249
Net unrealised gain/(loss) on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	(119,816)	64,710
Net gains/(losses) on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	983,939	547,959
Financial liabilities		
Net realised gain/(loss) on financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	(1,535,101)	(779,372)
Net unrealised gain/(loss) on financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	297,048	190,698
Net gains/(losses) on financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	(1,238,053)	(588,674)
Total net gains/(losses) on financial instruments at fair value through profit or		
loss	(254,114)	(40,715)

5 Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss

	As at	
	31 December 2022	30 June 2022
	\$'000	\$'000
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss		
Derivatives (Note 3(c))	374,710	470,937
Fixed interest securities	6,819,070	6,882,260
Repurchase agreement	576,569	215,371
Term loans	30,801	24,906
Total financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	7,801,150	7,593,474

6 Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss

	As at	
	31 December 2022	30 June 2022
	\$'000	\$'000
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss		
Derivatives (Note 3(c))	524,604	807,694
Fixed interest securities	357,196	650,745
Reverse repurchase agreement		275,598
Total financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	<u>881,800</u>	1,734,037

7 Net assets attributable to unit holders

Movements in the number of units and net assets attributable to unit holders during the half-year were as follows:

	Half-year ended			
	31 December 2022	1 December 31 December	31 December 2021	31 December 2021
	Units'000	\$'000	Units'000	\$'000
Institutional Class Units				
Opening balance	2,827	2,744,528	3,575	3,887,755
Applications	406	390,588	360	392,977
Redemptions	(327)	(313,629)	(368)	(400,136)
Reinvestment of distributions	16	15,533	11	11,647
Increase/(decrease) in net assets attributable to unit holders		(93,183)	<u>-</u>	(17,533)
Closing balance	2,922	2,743,837	3,578	3,874,710
Wholesale Class Units				
Opening balance	3,687,945	3,283,585	3,419,067	3,412,563
Applications	658,919	578,413	605,785	606,543
Redemptions	(388,519)	(340,617)	(378,202)	(378,009)
Reinvestment of distributions	980	854	464	463
Increase/(decrease) in net assets attributable to unit holders	_	(112,819)	_	(17,606)
Closing balance	3,959,325	3,409,416	3,647,114	3,623,954
Closing balance		3,403,410	<u> </u>	3,023,934
Closing balance		6,153,253		7,498,664

As stipulated within the Fund's Constitution, each unit represents a right to an individual share in the Fund and does not extend to a right in the underlying assets of the Fund.

There are two open classes of units at 31 December 2022 and 2021. Each unit within the same class has the same rights as all other units within that class. Each unit class has a different management fee rate.

Units are redeemed on demand at the unit holder's option. However, holders of these instruments typically retain them for the medium to long term. As such, the amount expected to be settled within twelve months after the end of the reporting period cannot be reliably determined.

8 Distributions to unit holders

The distributions declared during the half-year were as follows:

	Half-year ended			
	31 December 2022	31 December 2022	31 December 2021	31 December 2021
	\$'000	CPU	\$'000	CPU
Distributions - Institutional Class Units				
September	8,319	281.19	7,650	209.49
December (payable)	8,261	282.77	1,938	54.16
Total distributions	16,580	563.96	9,588	263.65
Distributions - Wholesale Class Units				
September	9,801	0.26	6,889	0.19
December (payable)	10,266	0.26	1,812	0.05
Total distributions	20,067	0.52	8,701	0.24
Total distributions	36,647		18,289	

9 Receivables

	As at	
	31 December 2022	30 June 2022
	\$'000	\$'000
Interest receivable	35,377	29,250
Dividend receivable	-	6
Applications receivable	4,811	5,011
GST receivable	690	719
Overdue swap receivable	27	
Total receivables	40,905	34,986

10 Payables

	As at	
	31 December 2022	30 June 2022
	\$'000	\$'000
Overdue swap payable	920	4,332
Interest payable	-	214
Management fee payable	7,838	8,242
Redemptions payable	8,029	13,836
Withholding tax payable		1
Total payables	16,787	26,625

11 Responsible Entity and Investment Manager's fees and other transactions

Under the terms of the Fund's Constitution and Product Disclosure Statement for the Fund, the Responsible Entity and the Investment Manager are entitled to receive management fees.

Management fees are calculated with reference to the rate in the applicable Product Disclosure Statement. Ordinary expenses such as those payable to the Investment Manager, Responsible Entity, Custodian, Administrator, Auditor and other ordinary expenses of operating the Fund are paid out of the management fee.

The transactions during the half-year and amounts payable as at half-year end between the Fund, the Responsible Entity and the Investment Manager were as follows:

	Half-year ended	
	31 December 2022	31 December 2021
	\$	\$
Management fee expense for the period	14,379,797	17,580,418
Total management fee payable at period end	7,838,402	9,686,596

12 Events occurring after the reporting period

On 1 January 2023, Samuel Watkins was appointed as a director of PIMCO Australia Management Limited.

No other significant events have occurred since the end of the half-year which would impact on the financial position of the Fund as disclosed in the condensed statement of financial position as at 31 December 2022 or on the results and cash flows of the Fund for the half-year ended on that date.

13 Contingent assets and liabilities and commitments

There are no outstanding contingent assets, liabilities or commitments as at 31 December 2022 and 30 June 2022.

Directors' declaration

In the opinion of the directors of the Responsible Entity:

- (a) The interim financial statements and notes set out on pages 6 to 18 are in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*, including:
 - (i) complying with Australian Accounting Standards, the *Corporations Regulations 2001* and other mandatory professional reporting requirements; and
 - (ii) giving a true and fair view of the Fund's financial position as at 31 December 2022 and of its performance for the half-year ended on that date.
- (b) There are reasonable grounds to believe that the Fund will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

This declaration is made in accordance with a resolution of the directors of PIMCO Australia Management Limited.

Director

Sydney 14 March 2023



Independent auditor's review report to the unitholders of PIMCO Global Bond Fund

Report on the half-year financial report

Conclusion

We have reviewed the half-year financial report of PIMCO Global Bond Fund (the Registered Scheme) which comprises the Condensed statement of financial position as at 31 December 2022, the Condensed statement of comprehensive income, Condensed statement of changes in equity and Condensed statement of cash flows for the half-year ended on that date, significant accounting policies and explanatory notes and the directors of PIMCO Australia Management Limited's (the Responsible Entity) declaration.

Based on our review, which is not an audit, we have not become aware of any matter that makes us believe that the accompanying half-year financial report of PIMCO Global Bond Fund does not comply with the *Corporations Act 2001* including:

- 1. giving a true and fair view of the Registered Scheme's financial position as at 31 December 2022 and of its performance for the half-year ended on that date
- 2. complying with Accounting Standard AASB 134 *Interim Financial Reporting* and the *Corporations Regulations* 2001.

Basis for conclusion

We conducted our review in accordance with ASRE 2410 Review of a Financial Report Performed by the Independent Auditor of the Entity (ASRE 2410). Our responsibilities are further described in the Auditor's responsibilities for the review of the half-year financial report section of our report.

We are independent of the Registered Scheme in accordance with the auditor independence requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001* and the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional & Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including Independence Standards)* (the Code) that are relevant to the audit of the annual financial report in Australia. We have also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

Responsibilities of the directors of the Responsible Entity for the half-year financial report

The directors of the Responsible Entity are responsible for the preparation of the half-year financial report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and the *Corporations Act 2001* and for such internal control as the directors of the Responsible Entity determine is necessary to enable the preparation of the half-year financial report that gives a true and fair view and is free from material misstatement whether due to fraud or error.

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Auditor's responsibilities for the review of the half-year financial report

Our responsibility is to express a conclusion on the half-year financial report based on our review. ASRE 2410 requires us to conclude whether we have become aware of any matter that makes us believe that the half-year financial report is not in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001* including giving a true and fair view of the Registered Scheme's financial position as at 31 December 2022 and of its performance for the half-year ended on that date, and complying with Accounting Standard AASB 134 *Interim Financial Reporting* and the *Corporations Regulations 2001*.

A review of a half-year financial report consists of making enquiries, primarily of persons responsible for financial and accounting matters, and applying analytical and other review procedures. A review is substantially less in scope than an audit conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards and consequently does not enable us to obtain assurance that we would become aware of all significant matters that might be identified in an audit. Accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion.

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