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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Directors and Shareholders SUN LIFE PROSPERITY ACHIEVER FUND 2038, INC. (An Open-end Investment Company) Sun Life Centre, 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue corner Rizal Drive Bonifacio Global City, Taguig City

### **Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements**

#### Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Sun Life Prosperity Achiever Fund 2038, Inc. (the "Company"), which comprise the statements of financial position as at December 31, 2023 and 2022, and the statements of comprehensive income, statements of changes in equity and statements of cash flows for the years ended December 31, 2023, 2022 and 2021, and notes to the financial statements, including material accounting policy information.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Company as at December 31, 2023 and 2022, and its financial performance and its cash flows for the years ended December 31, 2023, 2022 and 2021, in accordance with Philippine Financial Reporting Standards ("PFRS").

# Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audits in accordance with Philippine Standards on Auditing ("PSAs"). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities* for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of the Company in accordance with the Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants in the Philippines ("Code of Ethics") together with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audits of the financial statements in the Philippines, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements and the Code of Ethics. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

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Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with PFRS, and for such internal control as Management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, Management is responsible for assessing the Company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless Management either intends to liquidate the Company or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Company's financial reporting process.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with PSAs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with PSAs, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by Management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of Management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Company to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audits.



### **Report on Other Legal and Regulatory Requirements**

Report on the Supplementary Information Required by the Bureau of Internal Revenue

Our audits were conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The supplementary information in Note 20 to the financial statements is presented for purposes of filing with the Bureau of Internal Revenue and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such supplementary information is the responsibility of Management and has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in our audits of the basic financial statements. In our opinion, the supplementary information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

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### STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION

		December 31, 2023		December 3	31, 2022
	Notes	Shareholders	Unit holders	Shareholders	Unit holders
ASSETS					
Cash and cash equivalents	6	P 697,721	P 923,926	P 697,583	P 2,308,898
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	7	54,106,400	54,467,573	52,639,174	52,987,618
Accrued interest receivable	7	-	219,898	-	224,696
Dividends receivable	7		43,338	-	15,498
		P54,804,121	P55,654,735	P53,336,757	P55,536,710
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY					
Current Liabilities					
Accrued expenses and other payables	9	Р -	P 199,513	Р -	P 183,168
Due to brokers	8	-	-	-	408,257
Payable to fund manager	10	-	75,914	-	67,912
Total Current Liabilities		-	275,427	-	659,337
Equity					
Net assets attributable to shareholders		54,804,121	-	53,336,757	-
Net assets attributable to unit holders		-	55,379,308	-	54,877,373
Total Equity	11	54,804,121	55,379,308	53,336,757	54,877,373
		P54,804,121	P55,654,735	P53,336,757	P55,536,710
Net Asset Value Per Share and Per Unit	12	P 1.0961	P 0.8471	P 1.0667	P 0.8356

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### STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

			ı	For the Years End	led December 31			
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	Notes	Shareholders	Unit holders	Shareholders	Unit holders	Shareholders	Unit holders	
Investment Income - net								
Net realized losses from investments	7	Р -	(P 766,645)	Р -	(P 1,280,720)	Р -	P (82,434)	
Dividend income	7	-	1,239,836	-	1,016,796	-	715,910	
Interest income	13	172	690,693	636	649,835	992	528,359	
		172	1,163,884	636	385,911	992	1,161,835	
Investment Expenses								
Commission		-	18,821	-	45,242	-	12,589	
Transactions costs		-	745	-	1,690	-	513	
		-	19,566	-	46,932	-	13,102	
Net Investment Income		172	1,144,318	636	338,979	992	1,148,733	
Operating Expenses								
Management and transfer fees	10	-	478,143	-	477,646	-	449,670	
Distribution fees	10	-	385,600	-	385,198	-	362,637	
Directors' fees	10	-	257,857	-	237,749	-	375,490	
Professional fees		-	166,566	-	151,424	-	156,724	
Taxes and licenses		-	70,507	-	59,167	-	55,500	
Custodian fees		-	29,710	-	45,534	-	29,243	
Printing and supplies		-	208	-	195	-	219	
Miscellaneous fees		-	2,248	500	3,937	-	8,629	
		-	1,390,839	500	1,360,850	-	1,438,112	
Profit (Loss) Before Net Unrealized (Losses) Gains	on Investments	172	(246,521)	136	(1,021,871)	992	(289,379)	
Net Unrealized Gains (Losses) on Investments	7	1,467,226	1,204,088	888,989	(4,416,049)	747,380	(897,719)	
Profit (Loss) Before Tax		1,467,398	957,567	889,125	(5,437,920)	748,372	(1,187,098)	
Income Tax Expense	16	34	163,944	127	172,218	198	116,933	
Net Profit Attributable to Shareholders		1,467,364	-	888,998		748,174	-	
Net Loss Attributable to Unit holders		<u> </u>	793,623	-	(5,610,138)		(1,304,031)	
Total Comprehensive Income (Loss) for the Period		P1,467,364	P793,623	P888,998	(P5,610,138)	P748,174	P (1,304,031)	
Basic Earnings (Loss) Per Share and Per Unit	14	P 0.029	P 0.012	P 0.018	(P 0.088)	P 0.015	(P 0.023)	
Diluted Earnings (Loss) Per Share and Per Unit	14	P 0.029	P 0.012	P 0.018	(P 0.088)	P 0.015	(P 0.023)	

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# STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

# For the Years Ended December 31, 2023,2022 and 2021

### Shareholders

	Note	Share Capital	Additional Paid-in Capital	Retained Earnings	Total
Balance, January 1, 2021		P500,000	P49,500,000	P1,699,585	P51,699,585
Total comprehensive income for the period		-	=	748,174	748,174
Balance, December 31, 2021	11	500,000	49,500,000	2,447,759	52,447,759
Total comprehensive income for the period		-	=	888,998	888,998
Balance, December 31, 2022	11	500,000	49,500,000	3,336,757	53,336,757
Total comprehensive income for the period		-	-	1,467,364	1,467,364
Balance, December 31, 2023	11	P500,000	P49,500,000	P4,804,121	P54,804,121

See Notes to Financial Statements.

For the Years Ended December 31, 2023,2022 and 2021

				Unit holder	s
	Note	F	Principal Capital	Deficit	Total
Balance, January 1, 2021		Р	54,789,590 P	(2,486,879) P	52,302,711
Transactions with unit holders:					
Contributions	11		4,898,330	-	4,898,330
Withdrawals	11		(566,785)	-	(566,785)
Total comprehensive loss for the period			-	(1,304,031)	(1,304,031)
Balance, December 31, 2021			59,121,135	(3,790,910)	55,330,225
Transactions with unit holders:					
Contributions	11		6,177,760	-	6,177,760
Withdrawals	11		(1,020,474)	-	(1,020,474)
Total comprehensive loss for the period			-	(5,610,138)	(5,610,138)
Balance, December 31, 2022			64,278,421	(9,401,048)	54,877,373
Transactions with unit holders:					
Contributions	11		2,195,032	-	2,195,032
Withdrawals	11		(2,486,720)	-	(2,486,720)
Total comprehensive income for the period			<u> </u>	793,623	793,623
Balance, December 31, 2023			P63,986,733	(P8,607,425)	P55,379,308

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#### STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

				For the Years Ende	ed December 31		
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	Notes	Shareholders	Unit holders	Shareholders	Unit holders	Shareholders	Unit holders
Cash Flows from Operating Activities							
Profit (loss) before tax		P1,467,398	P 957,567	P 889,125	(P 5,437,920)	P748,372	(1,187,098.00)
Dividend income	7	-	(1,239,836)	-	(1,016,796)	-	(715,910)
Net unrealized losses (gains) on investments	7	(1,467,226)	(1,204,088)	(888,989)	4,416,049	(747,380.00)	897,719.00
Net realized losses on investments	7	-	766,645	-	1,280,720	-	82,434.00
Interest income	13	(172)	(690,693)	(636)	(649,835)	(992)	(528,359.00
Operating cash flows before working capital changes		-	(1,410,405)	(500)	(1,407,782)	-	(1,451,214
Increase (decrease) in:							
Accrued expenses and other payables		-	16,345	-	79,219	-	(37,565)
Payable to fund manager	10	-	8,002	-	(114)	-	5,536
Cash used in operations		-	(1,386,058)	(500)	(1,328,677)	-	(1,483,243)
Acquisitions of financial assets at fair value							
through profit or loss	7	-	(6,560,809)	-	(11,508,301)	-	(6,784,131)
Proceeds from disposal of financial assets at fair value							
through profit or loss	7	-	5,110,040	-	7,042,833	-	2,825,657
Dividend received		-	1,211,996	-	1,016,808	-	719,470
Interest received	13	172	695,491	636	629,913	992	497,855
Income taxes paid		(34)	(163,944)	(127)	(172,218)	(198)	(116,933)
Net cash generated from (used in) operating activities		138	(1,093,284)	9	(4,319,642)	794	(4,341,325
Cash Flows from Financing Activities							
Withdrawals of unit holders	11	-	(2,486,720)	-	(1,020,474)	-	(566,785)
Contributions from unit holders	11	-	2,195,032	-	6,177,760	-	4,898,330
Net cash generated from financing activities		-	(291,688)	-	5,157,286	-	4,331,545
Net incease (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		138	(1,384,972)	9	837,644	794	(9,780)
Cash and cash equivalents, Beginning		697,583	2,308,898	697,574	1,471,254	696,780	1,481,034
Cash and cash equivalents, End		P 697,721	P923,926	P 697,583	P 2,308,898	P697,574	1,471,254

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#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AS AT DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022 AND FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023, 2022 AND 2021

#### 1. CORPORATE INFORMATION

Sun Life Prosperity Achiever Fund 2038, Inc. (the "Company") was incorporated and registered with the Philippine Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) on January 10, 2018. The Company is a registered open-end investment company under the Investment Company Act (Republic Act "R.A." No. 2629) and the Securities Regulation Code (R.A. No. 8799), formerly known as the Revised Securities Act (B.P. No. 178). It is a multi-asset/asset allocation fund which aims to maximize the returns of investors based on a pre-determined target date (Year 2038) that aligns properly with the investment horizon of its investors. Due to a relatively longer time horizon, the Company will be weighted heavily on equity securities and other high-yielding instruments, with an underweight position in fixed income securities to generate higher returns for investors. As the Company draws closer to its pre-determined target date, allocation to equity securities and other high-yielding instruments is gradually shifted to fixed income securities, to reduce the overall risk and volatility.

The Company appointed Sun Life Asset Management Company, Inc. (SLAMCI), an investment management company incorporated in the Philippines and a wholly owned subsidiary of Sun Life of Canada (Philippines), Inc. (SLOCPI), as its fund manager, adviser, administrator, distributor and transfer agent and provider of management, distribution and all required operational services, as disclosed in Note 10.

As at December 31, 2023 and 2022, SLAMCI owns 99.99% of the Company's share capital attributable to shareholders. The Company's registered office address and principal place of business is at the  $2^{nd}$  Floor, Sun Life Centre,  $5^{th}$  Avenue corner Rizal Drive, Bonifacio Global City, Taguig City.

# 2. FINANCIAL REPORTING FRAMEWORK AND BASIS OF PREPARATION AND PRESENTATION

## **Statement of Compliance**

The financial statements of the Company have been prepared in accordance with Philippine Financial Reporting Standards (PFRS), which include all applicable PFRS, Philippine Accounting Standards (PAS) and interpretations issued by the International Financial Reporting Interpretations Committee (IFRIC), Philippine Interpretations Committee (PIC) and Standing Interpretations Committee (SIC) as approved by the Financial and Sustainability Reporting Standards Council (FSRSC) and the Board of Accountancy (BOA), and adopted by the SEC.

#### **Basis of Preparation and Presentation**

The financial statements of the Company have been prepared on the historical cost basis, except for certain financial assets measured at fair value.

Historical cost is generally based on the fair value of the consideration given in exchange for goods and services.

#### **Functional and Presentation Currency**

These financial statements are presented in Philippine Peso, the currency of the primary economic environment in which the Company operates. All amounts are recorded to the nearest peso, except when otherwise indicated.

#### 3. ADOPTION OF NEW AND REVISED ACCOUNTING STANDARDS

# Adoption of New and Revised Accounting Standards Effective as at Reporting Period Ended December 31, 2023

The Company adopted all accounting standards and interpretations as at December 31, 2023. The new and revised accounting standards and interpretations that have been published by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB) and approved by the FSRSC in the Philippines, were assessed to be applicable to the Company's financial statements, are as follows:

Amendments to PAS 1 Presentation of Financial Statements and PFRS Practice Statement 2 Making Materiality Judgements, Disclosure Initiative – Accounting Policies

The Company has adopted the amendments to PAS 1 for the first time in the current year. The amendments change the requirements in PAS 1 with regard to disclosure of accounting policies. The amendments replace all instances of the term 'significant accounting policies' with 'material accounting policy information'. Accounting policy information is material if, when considered together with other information included in an entity's financial statements, it can reasonably be expected to influence decisions that the primary users of general-purpose financial statements make on the basis of those financial statements.

The supporting paragraphs in PAS 1 are also amended to clarify that accounting policy information that relates to immaterial transactions, other events or conditions is immaterial and need not be disclosed. Accounting policy information may be material because of the nature of the related transactions, other events or conditions, even if the amounts are immaterial. However, not all accounting policy information relating to material transactions, other events or conditions is itself material.

The FSRSC has also developed guidance and examples to explain and demonstrate the application of the 'four-step materiality process' described in PFRS Practice Statement 2.

The Company has adopted the amendments by disclosing 'material accounting policy information' instead of 'significant accounting policy' and removing the accounting policies not considered as material.

Amendments to PAS 12 Income Taxes— International Tax Reform—Pillar Two Model Rules

The Company has adopted the amendments to PAS 12 for the first time in the current year. The FSRSC amends the scope of PAS 12 to clarify that the Standard applies to income taxes arising from tax law enacted or substantively enacted to implement the Pillar Two model rules published by the OECD, including tax law that implements qualified domestic minimum top-up taxes described in those rules.

The amendments introduce a temporary exception to the accounting requirements for deferred taxes in PAS 12, so that an entity would neither recognise nor disclose information about deferred tax assets and liabilities related to Pillar Two income taxes.

Following the amendments, the Company is required to disclose that it has applied the exception and to disclose separately its current tax expense (income) related to Pillar Two income taxes.

The amendments did not have a material impact to the financial statements of the Company as the Pillar Two legislation has not been enacted or substantially enacted in the jurisdiction where the Company operates.

# New Accounting Standards Effective after the Reporting Period Ended December 31, 2023

At the date of authorization of these financial statements, the company has not applied the following PFRS pronouncements that have been issued but are not yet effective:

Effective for annual periods beginning on or after January 1, 2024

- Amendments to PAS 1 Presentation of Financial Statements—Classification of Liabilities as Current or Non-current
- Amendments to PAS 1 Presentation of Financial Statements—Non-current Liabilities with Covenants
- Amendments to PAS 7 Statement of Cash Flows and PFRS 7 Financial Instruments: Disclosures—Supplier Finance Arrangements
- Amendments to PFRS 16 Leases—Lease Liability in a Sale and Leaseback Effective for annual periods beginning on or after January 1, 2025
- Amendments to PAS 21 The Effects of Changes in Foreign Exchange Rates—Lack of Exchangeability
- PFRS 17 Insurance Contracts (including the June 2020 and December 2021 Amendments to PFRS 17). Effective date is deferred indefinitely.
- Amendments to PFRS 10 Consolidated Financial Statements and PAS 28
   Investments in Associates and Joint Ventures—Sale or Contribution of Assets between an Investor and its Associate or Joint Venture

Effective for annual periods beginning on or after January 1, 2025

- Amendments to PAS 21 The Effects of Changes in Foreign Exchange Rates—Lack of Exchangeability
- PFRS 17 Insurance Contracts (including the June 2020 and December 2021 Amendments to PFRS 17)

Effective date is deferred indefinitely

Amendments to PFRS 10 Consolidated Financial Statements and PAS 28
 Investments in Associates and Joint Ventures—Sale or Contribution of Assets between an Investor and its Associate or Joint Venture

Management anticipates that the adoption of the new or revised PFRSs in future periods will not have a material impact on the financial statements in the period of their initial adoption.

### 4. MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION

#### **Financial assets**

#### Initial recognition and measurement

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognized when the entity becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. Regular way purchases and sales of financial assets are recognized on trade-date, the date on which the Company commits to purchase or sell the asset.

At initial recognition, the Company measures a financial asset or financial liability at its fair value plus or minus, in the case of a financial asset or financial liability not at fair value through profit or loss (FVTPL), transaction costs that are incremental and directly attributable to the acquisition or issue of the financial asset or financial liability. Transaction costs of financial assets and financial liabilities carried at FVTPL are expensed in profit or loss.

# **Classification and Subsequent Measurement**

The Company classifies its financial assets in the following measurement categories:

- FVTPL;
- Amortized cost

Classification of financial assets will be driven by the entity's business model for managing the financial assets and the contractual cash flows of the financial assets.

A financial asset is to be measured at amortized cost if: a) the objective of the business model is to hold the financial asset for the collection of the contractual cash flows, and b) the contractual cash flows under the instrument represent solely payment of principal and interest (SPPI).

All other debt and equity instruments must be recognized at fair value.

All fair value movements on financial assets are taken through the statement of comprehensive income, except for equity investments that are not held for trading, which may be recorded in the statements of comprehensive income or in reserves (without subsequent recycling to profit or loss).

#### Debt instruments

Subsequent measurement of debt instruments depends on the Company's business model for managing the asset and the cash flow characteristics of the asset. There are two measurement categories into which the Company classifies its debt instruments:

- Amortized cost. Assets that are held for collection of contractual cash flows where
  those cash flows represent SPPI are measured at amortized cost. A gain or loss on a
  debt investment that is subsequently measured at amortized cost and is not part of a
  hedging relationship is recognized in profit or loss when the asset is derecognized or
  impaired. Interest income from these financial assets is included in finance income
  using the effective interest rate method.
- FVTPL. Assets that do not meet the criteria for amortized cost are measured at FVTPL. A gain or loss on a debt investment that is subsequently measured at FVTPL and is not part of a hedging relationship is recognized in profit or loss and presented net in the statement of comprehensive income within other gains/(losses) in period in which it arises. Interest income from these financial assets is included in finance income.

#### Amortized cost and effective interest method

The effective interest method is a method of calculating the amortized cost of a financial asset and of allocating interest income over the relevant period.

For financial instruments, the effective interest rate is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash receipts (including all fees and points paid or received that form an integral part of the effective interest rate, transaction costs and other premiums or discounts) excluding expected credit losses (ECL), through the expected life of the debt instrument, or, where appropriate, a shorter period, to the gross carrying amount of the debt instrument on initial recognition.

Interest income is recognized using the effective interest method for debt instruments measured subsequently at amortized cost. For financial instruments other than POCI financial assets, interest income is calculated by applying the effective interest rate to the gross carrying amount of a financial asset, except for financial assets that have subsequently become credit-impaired.

### **Equity instruments**

Equity instruments are instruments that meet the definition of equity from the issuer's perspective, that is, instruments that do not contain a contractual obligation to pay and that evidence a residual interest in the issuer's net assets.

The Company subsequently measures all equity investments at FVTPL, except where the Company's Management has elected, at initial recognition, to irrevocably designate an equity instrument at FVTOCI. The Company's policy is to designate equity investments as FVTOCI when those investments are held for the purposes other than to generate investment returns. When the election is used, fair value gains and losses are recognized in other comprehensive income (OCI) and are not subsequently reclassified to profit or loss, including disposal. Impairment losses (and reversal of impairment losses) are not reported separately from other changes in fair value. Dividends, when representing a return on such investments, continue to be recognized in profit or loss as other income when the Company's right to receive payment is established.

Changes in the fair value of financial assets at FVTPL are recognized in net realized gains (losses) on investments in the statements of profit or loss as applicable.

#### Impairment of financial assets

The Company recognizes an allowance for expected credit losses (ECLs) for all debt instruments not held at fair value through profit or loss. ECLs are based on the difference between the contractual cash flows due in accordance with the contract and all the cash flows that the Company expects to receive, discounted at an approximation of the original effective interest rate. The expected cash flows will include cash flows from the sale of collateral held or other credit enhancements that are integral to the contractual terms.

ECLs are recognized in two stages. For credit exposures for which there has not been a significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition, ECLs are provided for credit losses that result from default events that are possible within the next 12-months (a 12-month ECL). For those credit exposures for which there has been a significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition, a loss allowance is required for credit losses expected over the remaining life of the exposure, irrespective of the timing of the default (a lifetime ECL).

The Company considers a financial asset in default when contractual payments are 90 days past due. However, in certain cases, the Company may also consider a financial asset to be in default when internal or external information indicates that the Company is unlikely to receive the outstanding contractual amounts in full before considering any credit enhancements held by the Company. A financial asset is written off when there is no reasonable expectation of recovering the contractual cash flows.

#### **Derecognition**

The Company derecognizes a financial asset only when the contractual rights to the asset's cash flows expire or when the financial asset and substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of the asset are transferred to another entity. If the Company neither transfers nor retains substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership and continues to control the transferred asset, the Company recognizes its retained interest in the asset and an associated liability for amounts it may have to pay. If the Company retains substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of a transferred financial asset, the Company continues to recognize the financial asset and also recognizes a collateralized borrowing for the proceeds received.

On derecognition of a financial asset in its entirety, the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the sum of the consideration received and receivable and the cumulative gain/loss that had been recognized in OCI and accumulated in equity is recognized in profit or loss, with the exception of equity investment designated as measured at FVTOCI, where the cumulative gain/loss previously recognized in OCI is not subsequently reclassified to profit or loss, but is transferred to retained earnings.

#### **Financial Liabilities and Equity Instruments**

#### Financial liabilities

All financial liabilities are measured subsequently at amortized cost using the effective interest method or at FVTPL. Financial liabilities are classified as either financial liabilities 'at FVTPL' or 'other financial liabilities'.

#### Financial liabilities measured subsequently at amortized cost

Financial liabilities that are not (i) contingent consideration of an acquirer in a business combination, (ii) held-for-trading, or (iii) designated as at FVTPL, are measured subsequently at amortized cost using the effective interest method.

The effective interest method is a method of calculating the amortized cost of a financial liability and of allocating interest expense over the relevant period. The effective interest rate is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash payments (including all fees and points paid or received that form an integral part of the effective interest rate, transaction costs and other premiums or discounts) through the expected life of the financial liability, or (where appropriate) a shorter period, to the amortized cost of a financial liability.

The Company's financial liabilities classified under this category include accrued expenses and other payables, due to broker and payable to fund manager.

### Derecognition of financial liabilities

The Company derecognizes financial liabilities when, and only when, the Company's obligations are discharged, cancelled or have expired. The difference between the carrying amount of the financial liability derecognized and the consideration paid and payable is recognized in profit or loss.

#### Equity instruments

Equity instruments issued by the Company are recognized at the proceeds received, net of direct issue costs.

#### Share capital

Share capital consisting of ordinary shares is classified as equity. Incremental costs directly attributable to the issue of new shares or options are shown in equity as a deduction from the proceeds, net of tax. Any excess of proceeds from issuance of shares over its par value is recognized as additional paid-in capital.

#### Retained earnings (deficit)

Retained earnings (deficit) represent accumulated profit (loss) attributable to equity holders of the Company after deducting dividends declared. Retained earnings (deficit) may also include effect of changes in accounting policy as may be required by the standard's transitional provisions.

## Units of participation

Represents an undivided interest in the pool of investments assets earmarked for this type of security issued by the Company.

### **Revenue Recognition**

Revenue is measured based on the consideration to which the Company expects to be entitled in a contract with a customer and excludes amounts collected on behalf of third parties. The Company recognizes revenue when it transfers control of a product or service to a customer.

#### Dividend income

Dividend income from investments is recognized when the shareholders' rights to receive payments have been established, usually at ex-dividend rate, provided that it is probable that the economic benefits will flow to the Company and the amount of income can be measured reliably.

#### Interest income

Interest income from a financial asset is recognized when it is probable that the economic benefits will flow to the Company and the amount of income can be measured reliably. Interest income is accrued on a time proportion basis, by reference to the principal outstanding and at the effective interest rate applicable, which is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash receipts through the expected life of the financial asset to that asset's net carrying amount.

#### Realized gains or losses

Gains or losses arising on the disposal of investments are determined as the difference between the sales proceeds and the carrying amount of the investments and is recognized in profit or loss.

#### Fair value gains or losses

Gains or losses arising from changes in fair values of investments are disclosed under the policy on financial assets.

# **Expense Recognition**

Expenses are recognized in profit or loss when incurred.

Expenses in the statements of comprehensive income are presented using the function of expense method. Investment expenses are transaction costs incurred in the purchase and sale of investments which include commission and clearing fees. Operating expenses are costs attributable to administrative and other business expenses of the Company including management fees and custodianship fees.

#### **Fair Value**

In estimating the fair value of an asset or a liability, the Company takes into account the characteristics of the asset or liability if market participants would take those characteristics into account when pricing the asset or liability at the measurement date. Fair value for measurement and/or disclosure purposes in these financial statements is determined on such basis.

In addition, for financial reporting purposes, fair value measurements are categorized into Levels 1, 2 or 3 based on the degree to which the inputs to the fair value measurements are observable and the significance of the inputs to the fair value measurement in its entirety, which are described as follows:

- Level 1 inputs are quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the entity can access at the measurement date;
- Level 2 inputs are inputs, other than quoted prices included within Level 1, that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly; and
- Level 3 inputs are unobservable inputs for the asset or liability.

#### **Related Party Transactions**

Parties are considered related if one party has control, joint control, or significant influence over the other party in making financial and operating decisions.

An entity that is a post-employment benefit plan for the employees of the Company and the key management personnel of the Company are also considered to be related parties.

#### **Taxation**

Income tax expense represents the sum of the current tax, final tax and deferred tax expense.

#### Current tax

The current tax expense is based on taxable profit for the year. Taxable profit differs from net profit as reported in the statements of comprehensive income because it excludes items of income or expense that are taxable or deductible in other years and it further excludes items that are never taxable or deductible. The Company's current tax expense is calculated using 25% regular corporate income tax (RCIT) rate or 1% minimum corporate income tax (MCIT) rate in July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2023 and 25% RCIT rate or 2% MCIT rate, whichever is higher, effective July 1, 2023, respectively.

#### Final tax

Final tax expense represents final taxes withheld on interest income from cash in banks, cash equivalents and fixed-income securities and final taxes withheld on proceeds from sale of listed equity securities.

### Deferred tax

Deferred tax is recognized on temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities in the financial statements and the corresponding tax bases used in the computation of taxable profit. Deferred tax liabilities are generally recognized for all taxable temporary differences. Deferred tax assets are generally recognized for all deductible temporary differences to the extent that it is probable that taxable profits will be available against which those deductible temporary differences can be utilized. Such deferred tax assets and liabilities are not recognized if the temporary difference arises from the initial recognition (other than in a business combination) of assets and liabilities in a transaction that affects neither the taxable profit nor the accounting profit.

The carrying amount of deferred tax assets is reviewed at the end of each reporting period and reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that sufficient taxable profits will be available to allow all or part of the asset to be recovered.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are offset when there is a legally enforceable right to offset current tax assets against current tax liabilities and these relate to income taxes levied by the same taxation authority and the Company intends to settle its current tax assets and liabilities on a net basis.

### Current and deferred taxes for the year

Current and deferred taxes are recognized in profit or loss, except when they relate to items that are recognized in OCI or directly in equity, in which case, the current and deferred taxes are also recognized in OCI or directly in equity, respectively.

# Earnings (Loss) per Share/Unit

The Company computes its basic earnings (loss) per share/unit by dividing profit or loss for the year attributable to ordinary equity holders of the Company by the weighted average number of ordinary shares/units outstanding during the period.

For the purpose of calculating diluted earnings (loss) per share/unit, profit or loss for the year attributable to ordinary equity holders of the Company and the weighted average number of shares/units outstanding are adjusted for the effects of deposits for future stock subscriptions which are dilutive potential ordinary shares/units.

#### Net Asset Value per Share / Unit

The Company computes its NAVPS/U by dividing the total net asset value as at the end of the reporting period by the number of issued and outstanding shares and shares to be issued on deposits for future stock subscriptions or the number of issued and outstanding units.

# 5. CRITICAL ACCOUNTING JUDGMENTS AND KEY SOURCES OF ESTIMATION UNCERTAINTY

In the application of the Company's accounting policies, Management is required to make judgments, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on the historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognized in the period in which the estimate is revised if the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods if the revision affects both current and future periods.

#### **Critical Judgments in Applying Accounting Policies**

The following are the critical judgments, apart from those involving estimations, that Management has made in the process of applying the Company's accounting policies that have the most significant effect on the amounts recognized in the financial statements.

#### Business model assessment

Classification and measurement of financial assets depend on the results of the SPPI and the business model test. The Company determines the business model at a level that reflects how groups of financial assets are managed together to achieve a particular business objective. This assessment includes judgment reflecting all relevant evidence including how the performance of the assets is evaluated and their performance measured, the risks that affect the performance of the assets and how these are managed and how the managers of the assets are compensated. The Company monitors financial assets measured at amortized cost that are derecognized prior to their maturity to understand the reason for their disposal and whether the reasons are consistent with the objective of the business for which the asset was held. Monitoring is part of the Company's continuous assessment of whether the business model for which the remaining financial assets are held continues to be appropriate and if it is not appropriate whether there has been a change in business model and so a prospective change to the classification of those assets.

As at December 31, 2023 and 2022, the Company's financial assets measured at FVTPL attributable to shareholders amounted to P54,106,400, and P52,639,174, respectively, and attributable to unit holders amounted to P54,467,573 and P52,987,618, respectively, as disclosed in Note 7.

Financial assets at amortized cost attributable to shareholders amounted to P697,721 and P697,583, respectively, and attributable to unit holders amounted to P1,187,162 and P2,549,092 as at December 31, 2023 and 2022, respectively, composed of cash in banks, accrued interest receivables and dividend receivables, disclosed in Note 6 and 7, respectively.

#### Puttable shares designated as equity instruments

The Company's share capital met the specified criteria to be presented as equity. The Company designated its redeemable share capital as equity instruments since the Company's share capital met the criteria specified in PAS 32, Financial Instruments: Presentation, to be presented as equity.

A puttable financial instrument includes a contractual obligation for the issuer to repurchase or redeem that instrument for cash or another financial asset on exercise of the put. As an exception to the definition of a financial liability, an instrument that includes such an obligation is classified as an equity instrument if it has met all the following features:

- a. it entitles the holder to a pro rata share of the entity's net assets in the event of the entity's liquidation. The entity's net assets are those assets that remain after deducting all other claims on its assets;
- b. it is in the class of instruments that is subordinate to all other classes of instruments;

- all financial instruments in the class of instruments that is subordinate to all other classes of instruments have identical features;
- d. apart from the contractual obligation for the issuer to repurchase or redeem the instrument for cash or another financial asset, the instrument does not include any contractual obligation to deliver cash or another financial asset to another entity, or to exchange financial assets or financial liabilities with another entity under conditions that are potentially unfavorable to the entity, and it is not a contract that will or may be settled in the entity's own equity instruments; and
- e. the total expected cash flows attributable to the instrument over the life of the instrument are based substantially on the profit or loss, the change in the recognized net assets or the change in the fair value of the recognized and unrecognized net assets of the entity over the life of the instrument (excluding any effects of the instrument).

As at December 31, 2023 and 2022, the recognized amount of share capital attributable to shareholders representing puttable share in the statements of financial position amounted to P500,000, while the amount of contributions attributable to unit holders in the statements of financial position amounted to P63,986,733 and P64,278,421, respectively, as disclosed in Note 11.

#### **Key Sources of Estimation Uncertainty**

The following are the Company's key assumptions concerning the future and other key sources of estimation uncertainty at the end of each reporting period that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial period.

# Deferred tax assets

The Company reviews the carrying amount at the end of each reporting period and reduces deferred tax assets to the extent that it is no longer probable that sufficient taxable profit will be available to allow all or part of the deferred tax assets to be utilized. However, there is no assurance that the Company will generate sufficient taxable profit that will allow all or part of its deferred tax asset to be utilized.

Based on Management's expectation of the Company's future taxable income, the Company did not recognize deferred tax assets as at December 31, 2023 and 2022, as disclosed in Note 16.

# 6. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

This account consists of:

	2023		2022
Attributable to shareholders: Cash in banks	P 697,7	721	P 697,583
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Attributable to unit holders:			
Cash in banks	P 923,9	926	P 781,324
Cash equivalents		-	1,527,574
	P 923,9	926	P2,308,898

Cash in banks attributable to shareholders earned interest amounting to P172, P636 and P992 in 2023, 2022 and 2021, respectively, at an average rate of 0.11%, 0.07% and 0.14%, respectively, as disclosed in Note 13.

Cash in banks attributable to unit holders earned interest amounting to P1,452, P3,899 and P2,194 at an average rate of 0.11%, 0.07% and 0.15% in 2023, 2022 and 2021, respectively, as disclosed in Note 13.

Cash equivalents are short-term, highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value. The Company classifies an investment as cash equivalent if that investment has a maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition.

Cash equivalents attributable to unit holders earned interest amounting to P45,647, P14,441 and nil at average rate of 5.98%, 1.89% and nil in 2023, 2022 and 2021, respectively, as disclosed in Note 13.

### 7. FINANCIAL ASSETS AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH PROFIT OR LOSS

This account consists of:

	Note	2023	2022
Attributable to shareholders:			
Investment in mutual fund	10	P 54,106,400	P52,639,174
Attributable to unit holders:			
Investments in listed equity securities		P 42,958,050	P43,148,152
Investments in fixed-income securities		10,207,472	9,839,466
Investments in UITF		1,302,051	
		P54,467,573	P52,987,618

Investments in listed equity securities are composed of listed equity shares while investments in fixed-income securities is composed of treasury notes. Investments in UITF are placed in universal banks and are redeemable anytime.

The Company recognized dividend income from investments in listed equity securities attributable to unit holders amounting to P1,239,836, P1,016,796 and P715,910 in 2023, 2022 and 2021, respectively. Dividends receivable attributable to unit holders amounted to P43,338 and P15,498 as at December 31, 2023 and 2022, respectively.

Interest income earned on fixed-income securities attributable to unit holders amounted to P643,594, P631,495 and P526,165 in 2023, 2022 and 2021, respectively, as disclosed in Note 13. Average interest rates earned on these investments are also disclosed in Note 13. Accrued interest receivable attributable to unitholders amounted to P219,898 and P224,696 as at December 31, 2023 and 2022, respectively.

Net gains (losses) on investments recognized in profit or loss arising from financial assets at FVTPL are as follows:

	2023	2022	2021
Attributable to shareholders:  Net unrealized gains on investments	P 1,467,226	P 888,989	P 747,380
Attributable to unit holders:  Net realized gains (losses) on investments in:  Equity securities	(P 832,249)	(P1,280,720)	
Fixed-income securities	65,604 (766,645)	(1,280,720)	150,844 (82,434)
Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments in: Equity securities Fixed-income securities	93,918 1,110,170	(2,374,833) (2,041,216)	340,822 (1,238,541)
Tixeu-income securities	1,204,088	(4,416,049)	(897,719)
	P 437,443	(P5,696,769)	(P 980,153)

The movements in the financial assets at FVTPL are summarized as follows:

	2023	2022	2021
Attributable to shareholders:			
Balance, January 1	P52,639,174	P51,750,185	P51,002,805
Unrealized gains	1,467,226	888,989	747,380
Balance, December 31	P54,106,400	P52,639,174	P51,750,185
Attributable to unit holders:			
Balance, January 1	P52,987,618	P53,810,662	P50,832,341
Additions	6,151,202	11,916,558	6,784,131
Disposal	(5,905,231)	(8,323,553)	(2,908,091)
Unrealized gains (losses)	1,233,984	(4,416,049)	(897,719)
Balance, December 31	P54,467,573	P52,987,618	P53,810,662

The following presents the breakdown of the maturity profile of the principal amount of the investment in fixed-income securities:

	2023	2022
<b>Attributable to unit holders:</b> Due after five years through ten years	Р -	P 100,000
Due after ten years	10,010,000	10,610,000
	P10,010,000	P10,710,000

#### 8. DUE TO BROKERS

Due to brokers account pertains to amounts payable to brokers for the purchase of investments processed on or before the reporting period, which are settled three days after the transaction date.

Due to brokers attributable to unitholders amounted to nil and P408,257 as at December 31, 2023 and 2022, respectively.

Counterparties to the contract are not allowed to offset payable and receivable arising from the purchase and sale of investments.

#### 9. ACCRUED EXPENSES AND OTHER PAYABLES

This account consists of:

	2023	2022
Attributable to Unit holders:		
Professional fees	P 166,566	P151,424
Withholding taxes	13,333	10,426
Due to investors	7,401	9,014
Custodianship fees	6,529	6,498
Supervisory fees	5,684	5,806
	P 199,513	P183,168

Due to investors account pertains to amounts payable to investors for the redemption of their investments processed on or before the reporting period, which are usually paid three days after the transaction date. In line with the announcement of the Securities Clearing Corporation of the Philippines (SCCP) that stock market transaction settlement will change from three (3) clearing days settlement cycle to two (2) clearing days, the Company, effective September 11, 2023, changed the redemption and switch out settlement schedules from three (3) days to two (2) days after the transaction date.

#### 10. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

In the normal course of business, the Company transacts with entities which are considered related parties under PAS 24, *Related Party Disclosures*.

As at December 31, 2023 and 2022, below is the outstanding investment of the Company in Sun Life Prosperity Peso Starter Fund, Inc.:

		202	23	2022		
	Note	Shares	Current Value	Shares	Current Value	
Attributable to shareholders						
Investments in mutual fund	7	39,335,805	P54,106,400	39,335,805	P52,639,174	

The details of amounts and transactions with related parties attributable to unit holders are set out below.

Nature of transaction	Transactior the y			Outstanding payable Terms		Terms	Condition	Notes
	2023	2022	2021	2023	2022			
SLAMCI - Fund Manager						Non-internal baseline		
Management, Distribution and Transfer fees	P863,743	P862,844	P812,307	P 75,914	P 67,912	Non-interest bearing; Annual rate of 1.40% of average daily net assets; settled in cash on or before the 15 <sup>th</sup> day of the following month	Unsecured; Unguaranteed	a
Key Management Personnel								
	257,857	237,749	375,490	-	-	Payable on demand; Settled in cash	Unsecured: Unguaranteed	b

As at December 31, 2023 and 2022, SLAMCI subscribed 50,000,000 units to the Company representing 76.48% and 76.13% of net assets attributable to unit holders, respectively.

Details of the Company's related party transactions are as follows:

#### a. Investment Management

The Company appointed SLAMCI as its fund manager, adviser, administrator, distributor and transfer agent that provides management, distribution and all required operational services. Under the Management and Distribution Agreement (MDA), SLAMCI receives aggregate fees for these services at an annual rate of 1.25% (exclusive of VAT) of the net assets attributable to shareholders on each valuation day. Moreover, under the Transfer Agency Agreement, SLAMCI receives aggregate fees for these services at an annual rate of 0.15% of the net assets attributable to shareholders on each valuation day.

On September 22, 2020, the Company and SLAMCI amended its MDA and Transfer Agency Agreement based on the provisions of ICA 2018 IRR (Implementing Rules and Regulations of the Investment Company Act 2018) published by the SEC on January 11, 2018. The agreements shall remain in effect for a period of 2 years from July 31, 2020 and shall continue in effect from year to year as approved by the respective Board of Directors of the Company and SLAMCI.

Management, distribution and transfer fees attributable to unitholders charged by SLAMCI to the Company in 2023, 2022 and 2021 amounted to P863,743, P862,844 and P812,307, respectively. Accrued management fees as at December 31, 2023 and 2022 amounting to P75,914 and P67,912, respectively, are shown as "Payable to Fund Manager" in the statements of financial position.

#### b. Remuneration of Directors

Remuneration of directors is presented in the statements of comprehensive income under "Directors' Fees" account amounting to P257,857, P237,749 and P375,490 attributable to unitholders in 2023, 2022 and 2021, respectively, which are usually paid to directors based on the number of meetings held and attended. There were no outstanding accrued directors' fees as at December 31, 2023 and 2022.

Except for the Board of Directors, the Company has no key management personnel and employees. Pursuant to the Company's MDA with SLAMCI, the latter provides all the staff of the Company, including executive officers and other trained personnel.

### 11. EQUITY

Movements are as follows:

	20	023			2022			2021		
	Shares/Units		Amount	Shares/Units		Amount	Shares/Units		Amount	
Attributable to shareholders: Authorized:										
at P0.01 par value	200,000,000	P	2,000,000	200,000,000	Р	2,000,000	200,000,000	Р	2,000,000	
Issued and outstanding	50,000,000	P	500,000	50,000,000	Р	500,000	50,000,000	Р	500,000	
Attributable to unit holders: Offer units:			_	_		_	-		-	
at P1.00 initial offer price	100,000,000,000	P100	,000,000,000	100,000,000,000	P10	00,000,000,000	100,000,000,000	P100	,000,000,000	
Issued and outstandin At January 1 Contributions	65,675,645. <b>79</b>	P	64,278,421	59,939,579.72	Р	59,121,135	55,104,378.31	Р	54,789,590	
Withdrawals	2,604,492.78		2,195,032	6,966,289.19		6,177,760	5,449,407.19		4,898,330	
	(2,904,268.87)		(2,486,720)	(1,230,223.12)		(1,020,474)	(614,205.78)		(566,785	
At December 31	65,375,869.70	Р	63,986,733	65,675,645.79	Р	64,278,421	59,939,579.72	Р	59,121,135	

# Incorporation

The Company was incorporated on January 10, 2018 with 200,000,000 authorized shares at par value of P0.01 per share attributable to shareholders and 100,000,000,000 offer units at P1.0000 initial offer price per unit attributable to unitholders.

#### Current state

As at December 31, 2023, the Company has 50,000,000 issued and outstanding shares out of the 200,000,000 authorized shares with a par value of P0.01 per share attributable to shareholders and has 65,375,869.70 subscribed units out of 100,000,000,000 offer units

### Redeemable shares

Redeemable shares carry one vote each, and are subject to the following:

#### a. Distribution of dividends

Each shareholder has a right to any dividends declared by the Company's Board of Directors and approved by 2/3 of its outstanding shareholders.

#### b. Denial of pre-emptive rights

No shareholder shall, because of his ownership of the shares, has a pre-emptive or other right to purchase, subscribe for, or take any part of shares or of any other securities convertible into or carrying options or warrants to purchase shares of the registrant.

#### c. Right of redemption

The holder of any share, upon its presentation to the Company or to any of its duly authorized representatives, is entitled to receive, by way of redemption, approximately his proportionate share of the Company's current net assets or the cash equivalent thereof. Shares are redeemable at any time at their net assets value less any applicable sales charges and taxes.

#### Redeemable Units

Redeemable units refer to units of participation each of which represents an undivided interest in the pool of investments assets earmarked for this type of security issued by a Mutual Fund Company (MFC). The MFC will buy back the redeemable units upon request of the holder.

Additional paid-in capital attributable to shareholders amounting to P49,500,000 as at December 31, 2023 and 2022 pertains to excess payments over par value from shareholders. However, no corresponding additional paid-in capital is recognized upon issuance of units as these are issued at no par value.

#### 12. NET ASSET VALUE PER SHARE / PER UNIT

NAVPS and NAVPU are computed as follows:

	Note		2023		2022
Attributable to shareholders:					
Total equity		Ρ	54,800,121	F	53,336,757
Issued and outstanding shares	11		50,000,000		50,000,000
NAVPS		Р	1.0961	Р	1.0667
Attributable to unit holders:					
Total equity		Ρ	55,379,308	F	54,877,373
Subscribed units	11	6	5,375,869.70		65,675,645.79
NAVPU		Р	0.8471	P	0.8356

NAVPS is based on issued, outstanding and fully paid shares minus treasury shares while NAVPU is based on issued, outstanding and fully paid units. The expected cash outflow on redemption of these shares/units are equivalent to computed NAVPS/NAVPU as at reporting period.

#### 13. INTEREST INCOME

This account consists of interest income on the following:

	Notes	2023		2022		2021	
Attributable to shareholders:							
Cash in banks	6	Р	172	Р	636	Р	992
Attributable to unit holders:							
Fixed-income securities	7	P64	13,594	P63	31,495	P52	26,165
Cash equivalents	6	4	15,647	1	4,441		-
Cash in banks	6	1,452			3,899		2,194
		P69	0,693	P64	9,835	P52	28,359

Interest income is recorded gross of final withholding tax which is shown as "Income Tax Expense" account in the statements of comprehensive income.

Average interest rates of investments, cash equivalents and cash in banks in 2023, 2022 and 2021 are as follows:

	Notes	2023	2022	2021
Attributable to shareholder	rs:			
Cash in banks	6	0.11%	0.07%	0.14%
Attributable to unit holders	<b>5</b> :			
Fixed-income securities	7	5.94%	6.72%	6.00%
Cash in banks	6	0.11%	0.07%	0.15%
Cash equivalents	6	5.98%	1.89%	-

Interest income earned on financial assets, analyzed by category, is as follows:

	Notes		2023		2022		021
Attributable to shareholders:							
Cash in banks	6	Р	172	Р	636	Р	992
Attributable to unit holders:							
Financial assets at FVTPL	7	P64	13,594	P63	31,495	P52	26,165
Cash and cash equivalents	6	4	17,099		18,340		2,194
		P69	90,693	P64	49,835	P52	28,359

# 14. EARNINGS (LOSS) PER SHARE / PER UNIT

The calculation of the basic and diluted earnings (loss) per share / per unit is based on the following data:

		2023		2022		2021
Attributable to shareholders:						
Profit for the year Weighted average number of shares:	P	1,463,364	Р	888,998	Р	748,174
Issued and outstanding		50,000,000		50,000,000		50,000,000
Basic and diluted earnings per share	Р	0.0293	Р	0.0178	Р	0.0150
Attributable to unit holders:						
Profit (Loss) for the year Weighted average number of units:	P	793,623	(P	5,610,159)	(P	1,304,031)
Subscribed units	65	,452,430.83	64	,023,745.92	5	7,162,119.81
Basic and diluted loss per unit	Р	0.0121	(P	0.0876)	(P	0.0228)

As at December 31, 2023 and 2022, the Company has no dilutive potential ordinary shares.

### 15. FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

Assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis

The following table provides an analysis of financial instruments that are measured subsequent to initial recognition at fair value classified under level 1 based on the degree to which the inputs to fair value are observable.

	Note	Level 1
December 31, 2023		
Attributable to shareholders:		
Investment in mutual fund	7	P 54,106,400
Attributable to unit holders:		
Investment in listed equity securities	7	P 42,958,050
Investment in fixed-income securities	7	10,207,472
Investment in UITF	7	1,302,051
		P54,467,573
December 31, 2022		
Attributable to shareholders:		
Investment in mutual fund	7	P52,639,174
Attributable to unit holders:		
Investment in listed equity securities	7	P43,148,152
Investment in fixed-income securities	7	9,839,466
		P52,987,618

Investment in mutual fund is valued at its NAVPS at reporting date.

Listed equity securities are valued at quoted prices as at reporting date.

The fair value of fixed-income securities classified as Level 1 is based on quoted price of either done deals or bid rates.

Financial asset and liabilities not measured at fair value

Cash and cash equivalents, accrued interest receivable, dividend receivable, due to brokers, and accrued expenses, other payables excluding stamp and withholding taxes and payable to fund manager have short-term maturities, hence, their carrying amounts are considered their fair values.

There were no transfers between Level 1 and 2 in 2023 and 2022.

# **16. INCOME TAXES**

Details of income tax expense are as follows:

	2023	2022	2021
Final tax	P163,978	P172,345	P117,131

The reconciliation between income tax expense and the product of accounting loss multiplied by 25% in 2023, 2022 and 2021 is as follows:

	2022	2022	2021
	2023	2022	2021
Accounting profit (loss) before tax	P 2,424,965	(P4,548,795)	(P 438,726)
Tax benefit at 25%	P 606,241	(1,137,199)	(109,682)
Net unrealized (gains) losses on investments	(667.930)	991 76E	27 505
Unrecognized net operating loss	(667,829)	881,765	37,585
carry-over (NOLCO)	352,601	352,071	362,804
Net realized losses on			
investments	191,661	320,180	20,609
Dividend income exempt from tax	(309,959)	(254,199)	(178,978)
Adjustment for income subject to			
lower tax rate	(8,737)	9,727	(15,207)
	P 163,978	P 172,345	P 117,131

On March 26, 2021, the Republic Act (RA) 11534 also known as "Corporate Recovery and Tax Incentives for Enterprises Act" or "CREATE" Act was passed into law which reduced the corporate income tax rates and rationalized the current fiscal incentives by making it time-bound, targeted and performance-based.

Among others, the Act includes the following significant revisions:

- 1. Effective July 1, 2020, domestic corporations with total assets not exceeding P100 million and net taxable income of P5 million and below shall be subject to 20% income tax rate while the other domestic corporations and resident foreign corporations will be subject to 25% tax income tax rate;
- 2. Minimum corporate income tax (MCIT) rate is reduced to from 2% to 1% from July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2023;

Details of the Company's NOLCO from previous years are as follows:

Year	Year of	Beginning			2023
Incurred	Expiry	Balance	Addition	Expired	Balance
2022	2025	P1,408,282	Р -	Р -	P1,408,282
2023	2026	-	1,410,405	-	1,410,405
•		P1,408,282	P 1,410,405	Р -	P2,818,687

Details of the Company's NOLCO covered by Revenue Regulations (RR) No. 25-2020 is as follows:

2023					Beginning	Year of	Year
Balance	ired	Exp	dition	Ad	Balance	Expiry	Incurred
P1,291,750	-	Р	-	Р	P1,291,750	2025	2020
1,451,214	-		-		1,451,214	2026	2021
P2,742,964	-	Р	-	Р	P2,742,964		

Pursuant to Section 4 COVID-19 Response and recovery Interventions paragraph (bbbb) of Republic Act No. 11494 also known as "Bayanihan to Recover As One Act" and to RR No. 25-2020 of Bureau of Internal Revenue, the NOLCO incurred by the Company for taxable years 2020 and 2021 shall be carried over as a deduction from gross income for the next five consecutive taxable years immediately following the year of such loss.

Deferred tax assets on NOLCO was not recognized since Management believes that future taxable income will not be available against which the deferred tax can be utilized.

The Company's interest income arising from cash in banks, cash equivalents and fixed-income securities, and realized gains on sale of listed equity securities are already subjected to final tax and are therefore excluded from the computation of taxable income subject to RCIT.

#### 17. CONTINGENCIES

The Company has no pending legal cases as at December 31, 2023 and 2022 that may have a material effect on the Company's financial position and results of operations.

#### 18. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT

The Company's activities expose it to a variety of financial risks: market risk, which includes interest rate and equity price risks, credit risk and liquidity risk. The Fund Manager exerts best efforts to anticipate events that would negatively affect the value of the Company's assets and take appropriate actions to counter these risks. However, there is no guarantee that the strategies will work as intended. The policies for managing specific risks are summarized below.

#### Market risk

The Company's activities expose it primarily to the financial risks of changes in interest rates and prices of equity securities in the stock market. There has been no change on the manner in which the Company manages and measures these risks.

#### Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk refers to the possibility that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market interest.

The primary source of the Company's interest rate risk relates to cash and cash equivalents and fixed-income securities. Interest rates of the financial assets are disclosed in Notes 6 and 13.

The risk is managed by the Fund Manager by actively monitoring the prevailing interest rate environment. The duration of the portfolio is reduced during periods of rising rates and widening credit spreads to maximize interest income potential. Conversely, the same is increased during periods of falling rates and narrowing credit spreads.

A 50 basis points increase or decrease in the interest rates had been determined for sensitivity analysis based on the exposure to interest rates for financial assets at FVTPL at the end of each reporting period. The same is used for reporting interest rate risk internally to key management personnel and represents Management's assessment of the reasonable effect of the maximum possible movement in interest rates.

The following table details the increase or decrease in net profit after tax if interest rates had been 50 basis points higher or lower and all other variables are held constant for the periods ended 2023, 2022 and 2021:

Change in Interest rates	Increase (Decrease) in Net Profit or Loss/Equity		
	<b>2023</b> 2022 2021		
Attributable to shareholders: +50 basis -50 basis	2,791 (2,791)	2,790 (2,790)	P 2,790 (2,790)
Attributable to unit holders: +50 basis -50 basis	(424,317) 449,090	(141,157) 150,599	(P468,682) 499,126

In Management's opinion, the sensitivity analysis is unrepresentative of the inherent interest rate risk because the exposure at the end of the reporting period does not reflect the exposure during the period.

# Equity price risk

The Company is exposed to equity price risks arising from investments in listed equity securities and investment in mutual fund. Investments in listed equity securities could either be held for strategic or trading purposes.

The risk is managed by the Fund Manager by actively monitoring the domestic equity market and movements in NAVPS of investment in mutual fund. Portfolios are traded based on a combination of regularly-carried out fundamental and technical analyses of stock prices.

Based on the exposure to equity price risks at the end of each reporting period, if equity prices and NAVPS of investment in mutual fund had been 2% higher or lower, profit or loss for the years ended December 31, 2023, 2022 and 2021 would have increased or decreased by:

Change in equity price	Increase (Decrease) in Net Profit or Loss/Equity		
	2023	2022	2021
Attributable to shareholders: +/-200 basis	1,082,049	1,052,783	P1,035,004
Attributable to unit holders +/-200 basis	871,322	820,772	856,134

Other than equity price risk discussed above, there are no other market risks which significantly affect the Company's performance.

In Management's opinion, the sensitivity analysis is unrepresentative of the inherent equity price risk because the exposure at the end of the reporting period does not reflect the exposure during the year.

#### Credit risk

Credit risk refers to the risk that the counterparty will default on its contractual obligations resulting in financial loss to the Company. The Company has adopted a policy of dealing only with creditworthy counterparties, as a means of mitigating the risk of financial loss from defaults and transacts only with entities that are rated with equivalent of investment grade of "High" down to "Satisfactory". This information is supplied by independent rating agencies, when available. If the information is not available, the Company uses other publicly available financial information and its own trading records to rate its major counterparties. The Company's exposure and the credit ratings of its counterparties are continuously monitored and the aggregate value of transactions concluded is spread amongst approved counterparties.

The table below summarizes the current internal credit rating equivalence system of the Company.

Summary rating	Internal credit rating	S&P rating
High	AAA	AAA
High	AA	AA- to AA+
High	Α	A- to A+
High	BBB	BBB- to BBB+
Satisfactory	BB	BB- to B+
Acceptable	В	B- to B+
Low	CCC/C	CCC- to CCC+

The carrying amount of cash and cash equivalents, accrued interest receivable, and dividends receivable are recorded in the financial statements represents the Company's maximum exposure to credit risk. The Company determined that the credit quality of cash and cash equivalents, accrued interest receivable, and dividends receivable as high grade and low credit risk investments. Therefore, no ECL is recognized for these financial assets.

#### Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk arises when the Company encounters difficulty in meeting the obligations associated with its financial liabilities that are settled by delivering cash or another financial asset. The Company aims to maintain an appropriate level of liquidity which means having sufficient liquidity to be able to meet all obligations promptly under foreseeable adverse circumstances, while not having excessive liquidity.

The Company maintains at least ten percent of the fund in liquid/semi-liquid assets in the form of cash and cash equivalents, listed equity securities, government securities and other collective schemes wholly invested in liquid/semi-liquid assets to assure necessary liquidity. This is also in compliance to Section 6.10 of the Implementing Rules and Regulations of the Investment Company Act series of 2018.

The Fund Manager manages liquidity risks by continuously monitoring forecast and actual cash flows and matching the maturity profiles of financial assets and liabilities.

The following table details the Company's remaining contractual maturity for its non-derivative financial liabilities. The table had been drawn up based on the undiscounted cash flows of financial liabilities based on the earliest date on which the Company can be required to pay.

	Less than One Month	One Month to One Year	Total
2023			
Attributable to unit holders: Accrued expenses and other payables Payable to fund manager	P 7,401 75,914	P 178,779 -	P186,180 75,914
	P 83,315	P 178,779	P 262,094
2022			
Accrued expenses and other payables Due to brokers Payable to fund manager	P 9,014 408,257 67,912	P163,728 - -	P172,742 408,257 67,912
	P485,183	P163,728	P648,911

The difference between the carrying amount of accrued expenses and other payables disclosed in the statements of financial position and the amount disclosed in this note pertains to withholding taxes that are not considered financial liabilities.

There were no outstanding financial liabilities attributable to shareholders as at December 31, 2023 and 2022.

The following table details the Company's expected maturity for its financial assets. The table had been drawn up based on the contractual maturities of the financial assets including interest that will be earned on that asset, except when the Company anticipates that the cash flows will occur in a different period.

	Average Effective Interest Rate	Less than One Year	One to Five Years	Five to Ten Years	More than Ten Years	Total
Attributable to sharehole	ders:					
2023						
Cash in banks	0.11%	P697,721	Р -	Р -	Р -	P697,721
2022						
Cash in banks	0.07%	P697,583	Р -	Р -	Р -	P697,583
Attributable to unit hold	Attributable to unit holders:					
2023 Cash in banks Financial assets at FVTPL Accrued interest receivable Dividends receivable	0.11% 5.94%	P 923,926 6,203 219,898 43,338	P - 24,811 - -	P - 31,013 - -	P - 10,045,813 - -	P 923,926 10,107,840 219,898 43,338
		P1,193,365	P24,811	P31,013	P10,045,813	P11,295,002
2022 Cash in banks Cash equivalents Financial assets at FVTPL Accrued interest receivable Dividends receivable	0.07% 1.89% 6.72%	P 781,324 1,527,574 6,759 224,696 15,498	P - 27,036 - -	P - 133,522 - -	P - 10,653,462 - -	P 781,324 1,527,574 10,820,779 224,696 15,498
		P2,555,851	P27,036	P133,522	P10,653,462	P13,369,871

The Company expects to meet its obligations from operating cash flows and proceeds from maturing financial asset.

#### 19. CAPITAL RISK MANAGEMENT

The Fund Manager manages the Company's capital to ensure that the Company will be able to continue as a going concern while maximizing the return to stakeholders through investments in high-quality debt securities.

The Company is guided by its Investment Policies and Legal Limitations. All the proceeds from the sale of shares, including the original subscription payments at the time of incorporation constituting the paid-in capital, is held by custodian banks.

The capital structure of the Company consists of issued capital as disclosed in Note 11.

The Fund Manager manages the Company's capital and NAVPS, as disclosed in Notes 11 and 12 to ensure that the Company's net asset value remains competitive and appealing to prospective investors.

The Company is also governed by the following fundamental investment policies:

- a. It does not issue senior securities;
- b. It does not intend to incur any debt or borrowing. In the event that borrowing is necessary, it can do so only if, at the time of its incurrence or immediately thereafter, there is asset coverage of at least 300% for all its borrowings;
- c. It does not participate in any underwriting or selling group in connection with the public distribution of securities, except for its own share capital;
- d. It generally maintains a diversified portfolio. Industry concentrations may vary at any time depending on the investment manager's view on the prospects;
- e. It does not invest more than twenty percent (20%) of its assets in real estate properties and developments, subject to investment restrictions and/or limitations under applicable law, if any;
- f. It does not purchase or sell commodity futures contracts;

- g. It does not engage in lending operations to related parties such as the members of the Board of Directors, officers of the Company and any affiliates, or affiliated corporations of the Company;
- h. The asset mix in each type of security is determined from time to time, as warranted by economic and investment conditions;
- i. The subscribers are required to settle their subscriptions in full upon submission of their application for subscriptions;
- j. It may use various techniques to hedge investment risks; and
- k. It does not change its investment objectives without the prior approval of a majority of its shareholders and prior notice to the SEC.

The Investment Policies refer to the following:

- a. Investment Objective to generate long-term capital appreciation through a portfolio of equities, fixed income securities and alternative financial instruments, adjusted accordingly as the target date of the Fund (Year 2038) approaches.
- b. Benchmark the fund's performance is measured against 50% PSE Index and 48% Bloomberg Sovereign Bond Index 1 to 5 Year, net of tax and 2% Philippines Peso TD Rate 1 to 3 Months, net of tax.
- c. Asset Allocation Range the Company allocates its funds available for investments among cash and other deposit substitute, fixed-income securities and equity securities based on certain proportion as approved by Management.

Other matters covered in the investment policy include the fees due to be paid to the Fund Manager with management and distribution fees each set at an annual rate of 1.25% of the net assets attributable to unit holders on each valuation day.

In compliance with SEC Memorandum Circular No. 21, Series of 2019 signed on September 24, 2019 in relation to independent Net Asset Value (NAV) calculation, SLAMCI (Fund Manager) engaged Citibank, N.A. Philippines to service its fund accounting functions including calculation of its NAV every dealing day. In December 2020, SLAMCI implemented the outsourced fund accounting to all Sun Life Prosperity Funds.

As at December 31, 2023 and 2022, the Company is in compliance with the above requirements and minimum equity requirement of the SEC of P50,000,000 pursuant to Section 3 of SEC Memorandum Circular No.33-2020.

The equity ratio at period-end is as follows:

	2023	2022
Attributable to shareholders:		
Equity	P54,804,121	P53,336,757
Total assets	54,804,121	53,336,757
Equity ratio	1.0000:1	1.0000:1
Attributable to unit holders:		
Equity	P 55,379,308	P54,877,373
Total assets	55,654,735	55,536,710
Equity ratio	0.9951:1	0.9881:1

Management believes that the above ratios are within the acceptable range.

# 20. SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION REQUIRED BY THE BUREAU OF INTERNAL REVENUE (BIR) UNDER REVENUE REGULATIONS NO. 15-2010

The following information on taxes, duties and license fees paid or accrued during the 2023 taxable period is presented for purposes of filing with the BIR and is not a required part of the basic financial statements.

#### Documentary stamp tax

Documentary stamp taxes incurred by the Company during 2023 amounted to P11,022 representing taxes in connection with the issuance of share certificates by the Company to its shareholders.

### Other taxes and licenses

Details of taxes and licenses and permit fees paid or accrued in 2023 are as follows:

Charged to operating expenses	
Filing and registration fees	P 38,661
Business permits	19,124
Residence or community tax	1,700
	P59.485

#### Withholding taxes

Withholding taxes paid and accrued and/or withheld consist of:

	Paid	Accrued	Total
Expanded withholding taxes	P 85,591	P 12,459	P 98,050

#### Deficiency tax assessments

The Company has no tax assessments and tax cases in 2023.

## 21. APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The financial statements of the Company were reviewed and endorsed by the Audit and Compliance Committee for the approval of the Board of Directors on March 25, 2024.

The Board of Directors approved the issuance of the financial statements also on March 25, 2024.

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