# Central Fund of Canada Limited



## 2nd Quarter

## INTERIM REPORT TO SHAREHOLDERS

for the six months ended April 30, 2011

## Central Fund of Canada Limited

## The Role of Central Fund

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

Investment
Policies &
Restrictions

The investment policy set by the Board of Directors requires Central Fund to maintain a minimum of 90% of its net assets in gold and silver bullion of which at least 85% must be in physical form. On April 30, 2011, 98.8% of Central Fund's net assets were held in gold and silver bullion. Of this bullion, 99.6% was in physical form and 0.4% was in certificate form.

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

Safeguards

Central Fund's bullion is stored on an allocated and fully segregated basis in the underground vaults of the Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce (the "Bank"), one of the major Canadian banks.

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

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

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

Conveniences

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

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

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

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Central Fund currently holds 98.8% of its net assets in gold and silver bullion. At April 30, 2011, Central Fund's gold holdings consisted of 1,686,217 fine ounces of physical bullion and 8,427 fine ounces of gold bullion certificates for a total of 1,694,644 fine ounces. Silver holdings consisted of 76,708,552 ounces of physical bullion and 255,551 ounces of silver bullion certificates for a total of 76,964,103 ounces. Central Fund continues to fulfill its mandate as "The Sound Monetary Fund".

On behalf of the Board of Directors:

J.C. Stefan Spicer, President & CEO

June 2, 2011

#### Robert R. Sale, RIP

Our friend, Robert Sale, a Director of Central Fund of Canada Limited, passed away at the Washington Hospital Center on Saturday, February 19, 2011 and our condolences and deepest sympathies were conveyed to his family.

In 1983, Robert's relationship with Central Fund began in his capacity as President of the firm leading a substantial underwriting of shares of the Company. He became a director of Central Fund during this period and his clear focus and commitment to serving the interests of Shareholders continued for over 27 years. Robert's ability to grasp the conceptual stewardship function of Central Fund as 'The Sound Monetary Fund' helped build the foundation leading to the development, integrity and growth of the Company. His ceaseless monitoring, generous contributions of his intellect and selfless dedication set high standards of excellence as a role model for his colleagues. Those exceptional attributes serve as a lasting tribute to him.

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

The following discussion is based on the financial statements of Central Fund of Canada Limited ("Central Fund" or the "Company") which are prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in Canada ("Canadian GAAP") including the Canadian Institute of Chartered Accountants Accounting Guideline 18, Investment Companies ("AcG-18"). These principles are substantially the same as United States' generally accepted accounting principles.

This analysis should be read in conjunction with Central Fund's audited October 31, 2010 annual financial statements prepared in accordance with Canadian GAAP and included in its 2010 Annual Report and the accompanying MD&A.

Throughout this discussion, all currency amounts are in United States dollars.

Certain statements in this report may constitute forward-looking information within the meaning of securities laws. Forward-looking information may relate to the Company's future outlook and anticipated events and may relate to matters that are not historical facts. In particular, statements regarding the Company's objectives and strategies are forward-looking statements. These statements are based on certain factors and assumptions which are considered reasonable as of the current date but may prove to be incorrect. Forward-looking information is also subject to certain factors, including risks and uncertainties (described in "Risk Factors" of the Company's 2010 annual MD&A), that could cause future events and results to differ materially from what the Company currently foresees.

#### Disclosure Controls and Procedures

Senior Executive Officers have ensured that there are disclosure controls and procedures in place that provide reasonable assurance that material information relating to the Company is disclosed on a timely basis. They believe these disclosure controls and procedures have been effective during the six months ended April 30, 2011.

#### **Outstanding Shares**

There were 254,432,713 Class A retractable shares and 40,000 Common shares issued and outstanding at April 30, 2011.

#### Results of Operations - Change in Net Assets

Net assets increased by \$2.491 billion during the six months ended April 30, 2011, primarily as a result of increases in the prices of gold and silver during the period of 16.0% and 99.1% respectively. The balance of the increase in net assets was attributable to the \$345.1 million public offering completed on April 6, 2011.

Net assets increased by \$2.239 billion during the three months ended April 30, 2011 primarily as a result of increases in the prices of gold and silver during the period of 17.8% and 71.9% respectively. The balance of the increase in net assets was attributable to the public offering described above.

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

	Quarter ended (U.S.\$)			
	Apr. 30,	Jan. 31,	Oct. 31,	July 31,
	2011	2011	2010	2010
Change in unrealized appreciation				
(depreciation) of holdings	\$1,897.7	\$255.3	\$741.2	\$(99.3)
Net income (loss)	\$1,893.7	\$252.1	\$738.5	\$(101.7)
Net income (loss) per Class A share	\$7.80	\$1.06	\$3.10	\$(0.43)
Total net assets	\$6,397.6	\$4,158.8	\$3,906.8	\$3,170.3
	Apr. 30, 2010	Jan. 31, 2010	Oct. 31, 2009	July 31, 2009
Change in unrealized appreciation				
(depreciation) of holdings	\$292.6	\$20.7	\$300.4	\$124.1
Net income (loss)	\$290.4	\$18.6	\$298.7	\$122.6
Net income (loss) per Class A share	\$1.37	\$0.09	\$1.55	\$0.66
Total net assets	\$2,911.9	\$2,621.3	\$2,382.3	\$1,959.4

#### Financial Results - Net Income

Central Fund's earned income objective is secondary to its objective of holding almost all of its net assets in gold and silver bullion. Generally, Central Fund seeks only to maintain adequate cash reserves to enable it to pay expenses and Class A share dividends. Because gold and silver bullion are not loaned to generate income, Central Fund's realized income is a nominal percentage of its net assets. However, AcG-18 requires Central Fund to record changes in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of holdings in income.

Net income (inclusive of the change in unrealized appreciation of holdings) for the three months ended April 30, 2011 was \$1.894 billion compared to \$290.4 million for the comparative period in 2010. For the six months ended April 30, 2011, the net income (inclusive of the change in unrealized appreciation of holdings) was \$2.146 billion compared to \$309.0 million for the same period in 2010. Virtually all of the net income for both the three and six month periods was a result of the change in the unrealized appreciation of gold and silver. The price of gold increased by 17.8% during the past three months, and by 16.0% over the six month period. During the same periods, the prices of silver increased by 71.9% and 99.1% respectively. Interest income increased compared to the comparable three and six month periods in 2010 as interest rates on interest-bearing cash deposits were higher. Certain expenses, such as administration fees which are scaled, have varied in proportion to net asset levels or, in the case of stock exchange fees, with market capitalization based on the number of Class A shares issued. Administration fees, which are calculated monthly based on net assets at each month-end, increased during the three month period to \$2.4 million, from \$1.3 million for the comparative three month period in 2010. For the six month period ended April 30, 2011, administration fees increased to \$4.3 million from \$2.6 million for the comparative period in 2010. This increase in administration fees was a direct result of the higher level of net assets under administration.

Expenses as a percentage of average month-end net assets for the three month periods ended April 30, 2011 and 2010 remained unchanged at 0.08%. The expense ratio for the six-month period ended April 30, 2011 was 0.15% compared to 0.16% for the same sixmonth period in 2010. For the twelve month period ended April 30, 2011, the expense ratio was 0.30% compared to 0.32% for the twelve month period ended April 30, 2010.

#### Liquidity and Capital Resources

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

For the six months ended April 30, 2011, Central Fund's cash reserves decreased by \$1.7 million to \$81.3 million. This decrease was a result of the amounts used to pay expenses and the year-end Class A share dividend. The Administrator and Senior Executive Officers monitor Central Fund's cash position with an emphasis on maintaining its mandate to hold maximum amounts of gold and silver bullion.

#### Administrator and Other Related Party Information

Please refer to Note 5 commencing on page 10 of this interim report.

#### Future Accounting Policy

Please refer to Note 10 commencing on page 12 of this interim report.

#### Additional Information

This MD&A is dated June 2, 2011. Additional information relating to the Company, including its Annual Information Form and 2010 Annual Report, is available on the SEDAR website at www.sedar.com.

## Statements of Net Assets

(expressed in U.S. dollars, unaudited)

	April 201		October 31 2010
Net assets:			
Gold bullion, at market, average cost			
\$1,355,145,634 (2010: \$1,082,841,134) (Note	2) \$2,648,2	20,735	2,025,827,619
Silver bullion, at market, average cost	,	•	
\$964,091,381 (2010: \$897,877,881) (Note 2)	3,671,1	87,718	1,802,010,110
Cash and short-term deposits (Note 3)	81,2	58,115	82,910,625
Prepaid bullion insurance		-	62,500
Interest receivable and other		64,004	62,216
	6,400,8	30,572	3,910,873,070
Accrued liabilities (Note 5)	(3,2	01,852)	(1,724,552)
Dividends payable		-	(2,382,827)
Net assets representing shareholders' equity	\$ 6,397,6	28,720	3,906,765,691
Capital stock (Note 4) Class A shares issued: 254,432,713 (2010: 238,282,713) Common shares issued: 40,000	\$ 2,419,4	19,458	2,074,326,530 19,458 2,074,345,988
Retained earnings inclusive of unrealized	2,410,4	00, 100	2,014,040,000
appreciation of holdings	3,978,1	43,532	1,832,419,703
	\$ 6,397,6	28,720	3,906,765,691
Net asset value per share:			
Net asset value per share: Class A shares	\$	25.14	16.39
	\$ \$	25.14 22.14	16.39 13.39
Class A shares	\$		
Class A shares Common shares	\$	22.14	13.39
Class A shares Common shares  Exchange rate: U.S. \$1.00 = Cdn.  Net asset value per share	\$	22.14	13.39

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

On behalf of the Board:

"Bruce D. Heagle" Director

"Philip M. Spicer" Director

## Statements of Income

(expressed in U.S. dollars, unaudited)

		Six months 2011	ended April 30 2010		Three months of 2011	ended April 30 2010
Income:						
Interest	\$	100,149	26,737	\$	44.003	9.889
Change in unrealized	,		-, -	,	,	-,
appreciation of holdings	2	,153,086,124	313,275,707	1	,897,741,000	292,599,170
Total income	2	,153,186,273	313,302,444	1	,897,785,003	292,609,059
Expenses:						
Administration fees (Note 5)		4,286,573	2,639,952		2,362,437	1,327,207
Safekeeping, insurance and						
bank charges		2,683,660	1,232,718		1,527,380	623,670
Shareholder information		143,674	151,040		76,001	103,67
Directors' fees and expenses		81,835	81,345		35,663	35,00
Stock exchange fees		75,767	67,167		38,348	35,34
Accounting fees		71,900	63,620		28,081	23,17
Legal fees (Note 5)		67,368	74,721		23,305	62,51
Registrar and transfer agent fees		50,741	41,074		33,773	28,942
Miscellaneous		187	14		187	1-
Foreign currency exchange loss		739	-		739	
Total expenses		7,462,444	4,351,651		4,125,914	2,239,55
Net income inclusive of the						
change in unrealized appreciation	1					
of holdings	\$2	,145,723,829	308,950,793	\$1	,893,659,089	290,369,50
Net income per share:						
Class A shares	\$	8.92	1.46	\$	7.80	1.3
Common shares	\$	8.92	1.46	\$	7.80	1.3

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

# Statements of Changes in Net Assets (expressed in U.S. dollars, unaudited)

	Six months ended April 30		Three month	s ended April 30
	2011	2010	2011	2010
Net assets at beginning of period	\$3,906,765,691	2,382,342,138	\$4,158,830,431	2,621,297,187
Add:				
Net income inclusive of the change in unrealized				
appreciation of holdings	2,145,723,829	308,950,793	1,893,659,089	290,369,504
Increase in Class A capital	345,139,200	220,624,773	345,139,200	251,013
Increase in net assets during				
the period	2,490,863,029	529,575,566	2,238,798,289	290,620,517
Net assets at end of period	\$6,397,628,720	2,911,917,704	\$6,397,628,720	2,911,917,704

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

### Statements of Retained Earnings

(expressed in U.S. dollars, unaudited)

	Six months	ended April 30	Three months ended April 30		
	2011	2010	2011	2010	
Retained earnings:					
Balance at beginning of period Net income inclusive of the change in unrealized	\$1,832,419,703	889,000,975	\$2,084,484,443	907,582,264	
appreciation of holdings	2,145,723,829	308,950,793	1,893,659,089	290,369,504	
Balance at end of period	\$3,978,143,532	1,197,951,768	\$3,978,143,532	1,197,951,768	

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

#### Notes to Financial Statements

For the six months ended April 30, 2011 (amounts expressed in U.S. dollars unless otherwise stated)

#### 1. Summary of significant accounting policies:

The accounting policies applied in the preparation of these unaudited interim financial statements conform with those presented in Central Fund of Canada Limited's ("Central Fund" or the "Company") October 31, 2010 audited annual financial statements. These interim financial statements do not include all of the disclosures included in the annual financial statements and, accordingly, should be read in conjunction with the annual financial statements.

#### 2. Gold and Silver Bullion:

Details of gold and silver bullion holdings are as follows:

			April 30, 2011	October 31, 2010
Gold bullion:				
Fine europe	- 400 oz. bars		1,673,328	1,482,919
Fine ounces	<ul> <li>100 oz. bars</li> <li>bank certifica</li> </ul>	tes _	12,889 8,427	12,889 8,427
Total fine ounces			1,694,644	1,504,235
Average Cost	- per fine ound	e \$	799.66	719.86
Market	- per fine ound	e \$	1,562.70	1,346.75
Silver bullion:				
	- 1,000 oz. bai		76,708,552	74,953,551
Ounces	<ul> <li>bank certifica</li> </ul>	ites	255,551	255,551
Total ounces		_	76,964,103	75,209,102
Average Cost	- per ounce	\$	12.53	11.94
Market	- per ounce	\$	47.70	23.96

Note: Due to the London markets being closed on April 29th, 2011, New York market prices were utilized for valuation purposes.

#### 3. Cash and short-term deposits:

As at April 30, 2011 the Company held one Canadian dollar flexible GIC deposit with a Schedule I Canadian Bank in the amount of \$210,840 (Cdn. \$200,000) at an annualized rate of 0.75% with a maturity date of January 28, 2012. Cash deposits of \$81,047,275 were held in a Canadian bank at a variable interest rate of 0.25%.

As at October 31, 2010 the Company held one Canadian dollar flexible GIC deposit with a Schedule 1 Canadian bank in the amount of \$588,900 (Cdn. \$600,000) at an annualized rate of 0.40% per annum with a maturity date of January 28, 2011. As at October 31, 2010 cash deposits of \$82,321,725 were held in a Canadian bank at a variable interest rate of 0.25%.

#### 4. Capital stock:

The authorized share capital consists of an unlimited number of Class A non-voting shares without nominal or par value and 50,000 Common shares without nominal or par value. There were 254,432,713 Class A shares, which are retractable, and 40,000 Common shares issued and outstanding at April 30, 2011.

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

On April 6, 2011, the Company, through a public offering, issued 16,150,000 Class A shares for proceeds of \$345,739,200 net of underwriting fees of \$14,405,800. Costs relating to this public offering were approximately \$600,000 and net proceeds were approximately \$345,139,200. The Company used the net proceeds from this public offering to purchase 190,400 fine ounces of gold at a cost of \$272,304,500 and 1,755,000 ounces of silver at a cost of \$66,213,500, all in physical bar form. The balance of \$6,621,200 was retained by the Company in interest-bearing cash deposits for working capital purposes.

On May 18, 2010, the Company, through a public offering, issued 25,300,000 Class A shares for proceeds of \$360,676,800 net of underwriting fees of \$15,028,200. Costs relating to this public offering were approximately \$600,000 and net proceeds were approximately \$360,076,800. The Company used the net proceeds from this public offering to purchase 157,732 fine ounces of gold at a cost of \$193,024,535 and 7,886,624 ounces of silver at a cost of \$151,502,047, all in physical bar form. The balance of \$15,550,218 was retained by the Company in interest-bearing cash deposits for working capital purposes.

On November 17, 2009, the Company, through a public offering, issued 16,975,000 Class A shares for proceeds of \$220,973,760 net of underwriting fees of \$9,207,240. Costs relating to this public offering were \$296,748 and net proceeds were \$220,677,012. The Company used the net proceeds from this public offering to purchase 104,132 fine ounces of gold at a cost of \$115,186,924 and 5,206,600 ounces of silver at a cost of \$91,688,905, both in physical bar form. The balance of \$13,801,183 was retained by the Company in interest-bearing cash deposits for working capital purposes.

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

Central Fund has no employees. It is party to an Administrative and Consulting Agreement with The Central Group Alberta Ltd., which is related to the Company through four of its officers and directors. The Central Group Alberta Ltd., which acts as Administrator, has operating offices with employees, advisors and consultants who provide administrative and consulting services to the Company. For such services, the Company pays an administrative and consulting fee, payable monthly, until at least October 31, 2015, at an annual rate of: 0.30% on the first \$400 million of total net assets; 0.20% on the next \$600 million of total net assets; and 0.15% on total net assets exceeding one billion dollars.

Included in accrued liabilities at April 30, 2011, is \$918,439 (October 31, 2010: \$591,513) which relates to the April administration fee payable to the Administrator.

For the six months ended April 30, 2011, the Company incurred fees totaling \$56,465 (2010: \$56,391) to legal firms of which two of the Company's officers or directors are partners or counsel, and \$4,286,573 (2010: \$2,639,952) to the Administrator. The Board of Directors is of the opinion that these services were undertaken under the same terms and conditions as services with unrelated parties.

#### 6. Management of financial risks:

The Company has risk management policies and procedures in place to identify risks related to financial instruments and physical assets. The objective of these policies and procedures is to identify and mitigate risk. The Company's compliance with these policies and procedures is monitored by the Senior Officers, the Audit Committee and the Board of Directors of the Company. Market fluctuations are unpredictable and outside the control of the Company. New risk factors may emerge from time to time and it is not possible for the Company to predict all such risk factors.

#### Price risk

Price risk is the risk that the price of a security or physical asset may decline. It is possible to determine the impact that changes in the market prices of gold and silver will have on the Company's net asset value per share both in U.S. dollars and Cdn. dollars. Assuming as a constant exchange rate, the rate which existed on April 30, 2011 of Cdn. \$0.9486 for each U.S. dollar together with the holdings of gold and silver bullion which existed on that date, a 10% change in the price of gold would increase or decrease the net asset value per share by approximately U.S. \$1.04 per share or Cdn. \$0.99 per share. A 10% change in the price of silver would increase or decrease the net asset value per share by approximately U.S. \$1.44 per share or Cdn. \$1.37 per share. If both gold and silver prices were to change by 10% simultaneously in the same direction, the net asset value per share would increase or decrease by approximately U.S. \$2.48 per share or Cdn. \$2.36 per share.

#### Currency risk

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

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

change the net asset value per Class A share as expressed in Cdn. dollars in the same direction by approximately the same percentage change in the value of the U.S. dollar.

Due to the limited value of transactions initiated in Cdn. dollars throughout the period, a strengthening or weakening of the Cdn. dollar relative to the U.S. dollar applied to balances outstanding at April 30, 2011 would not have had any material impact on the net income for the six months ended April 30, 2011, assuming that all other variables, in particular interest rates, remained constant.

#### Credit risk

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

#### Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Company will not be able to generate adequate cash resources to fulfill its payment obligations. The Administrator regards all of Central Fund's assets as liquid. Central Fund traditionally has maintained sufficient cash reserves to enable it to pay expenses and dividends on its Class A shares. Furthermore, over 98% of its net assets are in the form of gold and silver bullion which are readily marketable.

#### 7. Financial highlights:

	Six months ended April 30		Three months ende	
	2011	2010	2011	2010
Class A per share performance:				
Net asset value per share at beginning of period	\$ 16.39	12.15	\$ 17.45	12.31
Net loss before the change in unrealized appreciation of holdings Change in unrealized	(0.03)	(0.02)	(0.02)	(0.01)
appreciation of holdings - gold	1.46	0.85	1.56	0.64
- silver	7.50	0.63	6.25	0.73
Total increase (1)	8.93	1.46	7.79	1.36
Net asset value per share at end of period	\$ 25.14	13.67	\$ 25.14	13.67
Total return for period	53.4%	12.5%	44.1%	11.0%
Percentages and supplemental data:				
Ratio as a percentage of average net assets:				
Expenses (2)	0.15%	0.16%	0.08%	0.08%
Net loss before the change in unrealized appreciation of holdings (2)	0.15%	0.16%	0.08%	0.08%

The ratios are based on the weighted average number of shares outstanding during the period with the exception of the net asset values which are based on the actual number of shares outstanding at the relevant time.

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

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

#### 8. Capital stewardship:

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

#### 9. Canadian and United States generally accepted accounting principles:

The accounting policies followed in these financial statements, which are in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP"), are consistent with those that would apply under U.S. GAAP except for the following classification difference in the Statements of Net Assets. This U.S. GAAP classification difference has no effect on the reported net asset value per Class A share.

Subject to the terms and conditions described in Note 4 to these financial statements, the Class A shares are redeemable at the option of the shareholder. This redemption feature is the basis for the U.S. GAAP classification difference. The likelihood or probability of such redemption is not considered, nor is the fact that the Class A shares participate fully and proportionately with the Common shares in changes in the value of the equity ownership of the Company. Since adoption of this redemption feature in 1989, no holders of Class A shares have tendered their shares to the Company for redemption.

Under Canadian GAAP these shares are considered to be permanent equity and are classified in shareholders' equity in the Statements of Net Assets. Under U.S. GAAP, the redemption value of these shares is calculated in accordance with the provisions of the redemption feature and classified outside of shareholders' equity as mezzanine equity for each reporting period, with changes in the redemption value from the beginning of each reporting period to the end of that reporting period being charged (or credited) to retained earnings.

#### 10. Future accounting policy:

In February 2008, Canada's Accounting Standards Board ("AcSB") confirmed that Canadian GAAP, as used by publicly accountable enterprises, will be replaced by International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS") for fiscal years beginning on or after January 1, 2011. Public companies and trusts will be required to provide IFRS comparative information for the previous fiscal year. However, in June 2010, an Exposure Draft issued by the AcSB entitled "Adoption of IFRSs by Investment Companies" proposed to allow entities that currently apply AcG-18 the option to defer implementation of IFRS until its fiscal year beginning on or after January 1, 2012. This Exposure Draft was approved in October 2010. On January 12, 2011, the AcSB further extended the date for deferral of the mandatory IFRS changeover date for qualifying investment companies to fiscal years beginning on or after January 1, 2013. It is the intention of the Company to defer implementation of IFRS to its fiscal year beginning on November 1, 2013.

The Company is reviewing the key elements within IFRS that may result in a change in accounting policies that will impact its financial statements and accompanying note disclosures. The assessment plan being implemented by the Company includes a position paper which highlights the material standards that need to be addressed under IFRS and preparation of an opening balance sheet and financial statements that incorporate IFRS accounting standards and policies. The major areas of focus identified by the assessment include first year implementation decisions; statement of cash flows; classification of redeemable Class A shares; income taxes; increased note disclosure; and accounting for changes in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of holdings. The assessment is addressing the impact on the Company's accounting system and internal control required to report under IFRS beginning on the implementation date. The Company will continue with the assessment and implementation in preparation for its first annual filing under IFRS expected for the fiscal year beginning November 1, 2013.

## Central Fund of Canada Limited

### **Corporate Information**

#### **Directors**

Brian E. Felske (A)(C)(I)
Bruce D. Heagle (A)(C)(I)
Ian M.T. McAvity (C)(I)(L)
Michael A. Parente CMA, CFP (A)(I)
Dale R. Spackman, Q.C.
J.C. Stefan Spicer
Philip M. Spicer

#### **Officers**

Philip M. Spicer, Chairman
Dale R. Spackman, Q.C., Vice-Chairman
J.C. Stefan Spicer, President & CEO
Catherine A. Spackman CMA, Treasurer & CFO
Teresa E. Poper CB, Assistant Treasurer
John S. Elder, Q.C., Secretary

#### **Consultants**

Douglas E. Heagle, Retired Director Malcolm A. Taschereau, Retired Director

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

#### Administrator

The Central Group Alberta Ltd. Calgary, Alberta

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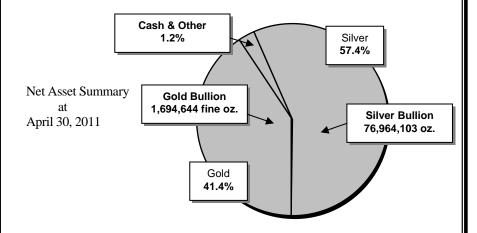
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# Central Fund of Canada Limited



### Class A Shares Stock Exchange Listings

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

Cusip number 153501101

## Net Asset Value Information

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

#### *In the United States (figures published in U.S. \$):*

- Barrons
- New York Times
- Wall Street Journal

#### *In Canada (figures published in Canadian \$):*

- National Post: Financial Post Section
- *The Globe and Mail: Report on Business*