

RELEASE TO AUSTRALIAN SECURITIES EXCHANGE

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CASE INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2016

1. Below is a summary of the Group's Case Investment Portfolio as at 31 December 2016.

| Portfolio value range | Estimated portfolio value \$'000 | Number of cases | Proportion of total value | Possible completion FY2017 \$'000 | Possible completion FY2018 \$'000 | Possible completion FY2019 and later \$'000 |
|--------------------------|---|-----------------------|---------------------------------|--|--|---|
| Less than \$50M | 895,999 | 38 | 27% | 133,117 | 557,559 | 205,323 |
| Between \$50M and \$100M | 713,414 | 10 | 21% | 76,009 | 129,099 | 508,306 |
| Greater than \$100M | 1,760,761 | 8 | 52% | 29,365 | 936,456 | 794,940 |
| Total Portfolio | 3,370,174 | 56 | 100% | 238,491 | 1,623,114 | 1,508,569 |
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| Australia and Asia cases | 1,464,200 | 23 | 43% | 49,200 | 990,000 | 425,000 |
| USA and Canada cases | 1,905,974 | 33 | 57% | 189,291 | 633,114 | 1,083,569 |
| Total Portfolio | 3,370,174 | 56 | 100% | 238,491 | 1,623,114 | 1,508,569 |

2. The portfolio includes two new cases which have been funded since 30 September 2016. One of these was announced, and one of which, due to the relevant investment size, was not announced. Movement in the portfolio from the previous quarter is reconciled as follows:

| Description | Number of cases | Portfolio value \$'000 |
|--|-----------------|---------------------------|
| 30 September 2016 Portfolio | 57 | 3,242,146 |
| Additions | 2 | 35,516 |
| Completions | (3) | (87,580) |
| Updates (7 cases) | | 82,885 |
| Adjustments due to exchange rate movements | | 97,207 |
| 31 December 2016 Portfolio | 56 | 3,370,174 |

"*Additions*" refers to new cases for which the Group has entered into an unconditional commitment to fund and includes cases where a previously conditional funding agreement has become unconditional.

"*Completions*" refers to cases which are subject to an unconditional binding settlement agreement or a binding determination by a court or arbitration panel.

"*Updates*" details cases where the estimated portfolio value has either been increased or decreased due to underlying aspects of the cases.

IMF Bentham Limited ABN 45 067 298 088 GPO Box 5457 Sydney NSW 2001 Freecall 1800 016 464 "Adjustments due to exchange rate movements" details the increase or decrease of the aggregate estimated value of the total portfolio resulting from fluctuations in the exchange rate between the applicable local currency and the Australian dollar.

- 3. On 20 December 2016, IMF announced additional funding to one of its existing funded cases in the United States. The resultant portfolio value increase is included in "Updates" above.
- 4. In addition to the above portfolio, IMF has also announced the conditional funding of the following eight cases:
 - GST class action (19 September 2016)
 - Hastie Group Limited class action (19 September 2016)
 - UGL Limited class action (28 September 2016)
 - Oakey Contamination class action (6 October 2016).
 - Claims against Australian Executor Trustees (SA) Limited in its capacity as trustee of the SEAS Sapfor Scheme (8 December 2016)
 - Canadian case involving an intellectual property dispute (9 January 2017)
 - Bellamy's Australia Limited class action (23 January 2017)
 - Spotless Group Holdings Limited class action (30 January 2017)

As IMF's funding of these cases is not unconditional, these cases have not been included in the above portfolio.

- 5. A further two cases have been approved for funding by the Investment Committee which have not yet resulted in funding agreements being executed. If and when funding agreements are signed, further announcements will be made where appropriate.
- 6. IMF will continue to update its Case Investment Portfolio on a quarterly basis.

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Notes to the Group's Case Investment Portfolio

- a) Past performance indicates that the Group has generated average gross revenue in excess of 15% of the Estimated Portfolio Value of a case at the time it is completed (Long Term Conversion Rate). Past performance is not necessarily an indication of the future performance and the Long Term Conversion Rate may vary materially over time. By providing this information, IMF is not in any way whatsoever providing earnings guidance for future periods.
- b) Estimated Portfolio Value (EPV) is calculated using different base methodologies to reflect the different types of case investments made by the Group and, where appropriate, takes into account the perceived capacity of the defendant to meet the claim. In Australia, IMF generally does not cap its funding commitment to a case and is entitled to a prescribed percentage of any resolution sum on completion of the case. For such cases, the EPV is based upon IMF's current best estimate of the claims recoverable amount. Generally, in the USA and Canada, IMF's investment is capped and its potential return is structured as the higher of a prescribed multiple of funds invested and a percentage of any resolution sum. The EPV for such cases is calculated by reference to IMF's potential investment return, based on a multiple of funds invested, and IMF's Long Term Conversion Rate,
- c) It is important to note that whichever calculation methodology is used, the EPV is not necessarily the same as the amount being claimed by IMF's funded claimant/s in the case and is not the estimated return to the Group from the case if it is successful.
- d) The EPV may vary over time for a number of reasons, including changes in circumstances relating to a case, partial recovery and fluctuations in the foreign exchange rates between the applicable local currency and the Australian dollar.

- e) Cases which are contingently funded are included in the portfolio only when all conditions to funding are either satisfied or waived.
- f) The *Possible Completion* period is IMF's current best estimate of the period in which the case may be finalised. The case may finalise earlier or later than in this period. Completion means finalisation of the litigation by either settlement, judgment or arbitrator determination, for or against the funded claimant. It may not follow that the financial result will be accounted for in the year of finalisation. Possible Completion period estimates are prepared at case inception and reviewed and updated where necessary on a quarterly basis.
- g) Cases which have settled subject to a condition or to court approval remain in the portfolio until the condition is fulfilled or approval is given.
- h) To avoid disclosing individual estimated portfolio values (which may be commercially sensitive) the estimated portfolio values for Australia and Asia, and the USA and Canada have been combined.