

RELEASE TO AUSTRALIAN SECURITIES EXCHANGE ("ASX") WEDNESDAY, 9 MAY 2012

IN-PRINCIPLE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT IN CENTRO

- 1. The Board of Directors of IMF (Australia) Ltd ("IMF") is pleased to announce an in-principle agreement to settle the class actions against Centro Properties Ltd ("CNP"), Centro Retail Ltd ("CER") PricewaterhouseCoopers ("PWC") and PricewaterhouseCoopers Securities Limited ("PWCS") funded by IMF and other parties.
- 2. As a result of the in-principle agreement, the present proceedings in the Federal Court have been stood over until tomorrow. There are a number of terms which have not yet been finalised and it is not certain that the matter will settle. If the in-principle agreement does not culminate in a settlement deed the proceedings in the Federal Court will recommence.
- 3. The in-principle agreement provides for the payment of a global settlement amount of \$200M, which is the largest settlement achieved to date in Australia in any class action. Clients funded by IMF are expected to share \$150M of the global settlement amount.
- 4. If the in-principle agreement results in a settlement deed, the settlement itself will require Court approval.
- 5. IMF will advise the market whether or not a settlement deed is executed and if it is, IMF will advise the market of its expected revenue and profit from this matter.

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