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**MERRILL LYNCH INTERNATIONAL & CO. C.V. FILES HALF-YEARLY FINANCIAL  
REPORT**

Curaçao, August 31, 2015 – Merrill Lynch International & Co. C.V. today informs its security holders that its Half-Yearly Financial Report for the six months ended June 30, 2015, together with the general partner's report and condensed financial statements made by responsible persons thereon, has been filed with the Luxembourg Stock Exchange, the Officially Appointed Mechanism of Luxembourg, Merrill Lynch International & Co. C.V.'s home Member State. A copy of this Half-Yearly Financial Report and the statement made by responsible persons are attached to this release.

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**MERRILL LYNCH INTERNATIONAL & CO. C.V.**

**UNAUDITED**

**GENERAL PARTNER'S REPORT AND CONDENSED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED  
30 JUNE 2015**

**MERRILL LYNCH INTERNATIONAL & CO. C.V.**

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**GENERAL INFORMATION**

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<b>General Partner</b>	ML Cayman Holdings Inc.
<b>Officers of the General Partner</b>	Angel Alvarez Bruce Blanco Debra Zachter Devin Crowe
<b>Limited Partner</b>	Merrill Lynch International Services Limited
<b>Registered Office</b>	Kaya W.F.G. (Jombi) Mensing 36 Curacao
<b>Independent Auditors</b>	PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP Chartered Accountants 7 More London Riverside London SE1 2RT

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**GENERAL PARTNER'S REPORT**  
**For the six months ended 30 June 2015**

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The General Partner presents its non-statutory report and the unaudited financial statements of Merrill Lynch International & Co. C.V. (the "Partnership") for the six months ended 30 June 2015. These financial statements are the first that the Partnership has prepared in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 101 – Reduced Disclosure Framework ("FRS 101").

**STATEMENT OF GENERAL PARTNER'S RESPONSIBILITIES**

The General Partner is responsible for preparing the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

The Partnership Agreement requires the General Partner to prepare financial statements for each financial year. The General Partner has prepared the Partnership financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). The General Partner must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Partnership and of the profit or loss of the Partnership for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the General Partner is required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Partnership will continue in business.

The General Partner is responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the Partnership's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Partnership. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Partnership and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

**PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES AND BUSINESS REVIEW**

The principal activities of the Partnership are:

- the issuance of warrants and related financial instruments. The market risks associated with these warrants and related financial instruments are hedged with affiliated companies, with residual income or expense relating to this business recharged to affiliated companies under service agreements; and
- the distribution of Merrill Lynch managed funds and other managed fund products to third parties on which the Partnership receives fee income, with residual income or expense relating to this business recharged to affiliated companies under service agreements.

The profit for the period, after taxation, amounted to \$675,000 (six months to 30 June 2014: \$2,136,000).

The revenue for the period amounted to \$50,013,000 (six months to 30 June 2014: \$70,800,000).

The administrative expenses for the period amounted to \$66,657,000 (six months to 30 June 2014: \$81,214,000).

The head office of the Partnership is in Curacao with a branch in Dubai. The Partnership ceased its operations from the Panama branch on 30 September 2014 with the intention to formally close the branch. Pursuant to BAC's decision to sell its international wealth management business to the Julius Baer group, the wealth management businesses conducted through Panama ("MLICO Panama") and Dubai ("MLICO Dubai") were sold during the year ended 31 December 2013.

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**PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES AND BUSINESS REVIEW (continued)**

The Partnership continues to receive residual income from the wealth management business through MLICO Panama due to the ongoing transfer of assets under management relating to this business to the Julius Baer group. This transfer is expected to be completed during the second half of 2015.

**RISK MANAGEMENT**

The Partnership's risk management objectives and policies, as well as exposures in relation to the seven key risk types (market, credit, operational, liquidity, reputational, strategic and compliance risks) are described in the notes to the financial statements (see note 19).

**PARTNERSHIP'S POLICY FOR PAYMENT OF CREDITORS**

The current policy is to pay creditors and other suppliers in accordance with the terms of payment agreed at the time the contract is made.

**GOING CONCERN**

The Partnership currently has sufficient capital to maintain its operations. Based on the above, the Partnership continues to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements.

**PARTNERS**

The Partners who served during the period and up to the date of signing this report were as follows:  
ML Cayman Holdings Inc. (General Partner)  
Merrill Lynch International Services Limited (Limited Partner)

This report was approved by the General Partner and authorised for issue on 27 August 2015 and signed on its behalf by:

 8/27/2015

Devin Crowe  
For and on behalf of ML Cayman Holdings Inc., as General Partner

**INCOME STATEMENT**  
For the six months ended 30 June 2015

	Note	Six months ended 30 June 2015 \$'000	Six months ended 30 June 2014 \$'000
<b>REVENUE</b>	3	<b>50,013</b>	70,800
Administrative expenses		<b>(66,657)</b>	(81,214)
<b>OPERATING LOSS</b>	4	<b>(16,644)</b>	(10,414)
Gain on sale of wealth management business	21	<b>418</b>	1,096
Finance income	5	<b>19,913</b>	13,230
Finance costs	6	<b>(3,012)</b>	(1,776)
<b>PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION</b>		<b>675</b>	2,136
<b>TAX ON PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES</b>	9	-	-
<b>PROFIT FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD BEFORE PARTNER'S PROFIT ALLOCATION</b>		<b>675</b>	2,136
<b>GENERAL PARTNER'S PROFIT ALLOCATION</b>	17	<b>(675)</b>	(2,136)
<b>RESULT FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD AFTER PARTNER'S PROFIT ALLOCATION</b>		<b>-</b>	-

Revenue and operating loss are derived wholly from continuing operations.

There were no recognised gains and losses for the current or preceding financial period other than those included in the income statement and therefore no separate statement of comprehensive income has been presented.

There is no material difference between the profit on ordinary activities before taxation and the profit for the financial period stated above and their historical costs equivalents.

The notes on pages 5 to 24 form part of these financial statements.

MERRILL LYNCH INTERNATIONAL & CO. C.V.


STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION  
As at 30 June 2015

Registered number 11705 (0)

	Note	30 June 2015		31 December 2014	
		\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>					
Long inventory positions	11	3,487,924		3,615,952	
Trade receivables	12	25,770		36,360	
Other receivables and prepayments	13	7,141,609		7,270,747	
Cash and cash equivalents		4,495		4,266	
		<u>10,659,798</u>		<u>10,927,325</u>	
<b>CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year</b>					
Short inventory positions	14	5,536,889		5,190,370	
Trade creditors	15	4,545,501		5,160,221	
Other creditors including taxation and social security	16	66		78	
Partners' capital and income accounts	17	577,342		576,656	
		<u>10,659,798</u>		<u>10,927,325</u>	
<b>NET CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>			-		-
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>			-		-
<b>NET ASSETS</b>			-		-

There are no equity balances therefore no separate statement of changes in equity has been presented. The movements in partners' capital and income accounts are disclosed in note 17.

The financial statements on pages 3 to 24 were approved and authorised for issue by the General Partner on 27 August 2015. They were signed on its behalf by:

 8/27/2015  
Devin Crowe  
For and on behalf of ML Cayman Holdings Inc., as General Partner

The notes on pages 5 to 24 form part of these financial statements.



**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**For the six months ended 30 June 2015**

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**1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**1.1 Basis of preparation**

These non statutory financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 101 – Reduced Disclosure Framework (“FRS 101”). The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, as modified by the revaluation of derivative financial assets and financial liabilities measured at fair value through profit or loss.

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with FRS 101 requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires management to exercise its judgement in the process of applying the company’s accounting policies. The areas involving a higher degree of judgement or complexity, or areas where assumptions and estimates are significant to the financial statements are disclosed in note 2.

**1.2 First year adoption**

The financial statements for the period ended 30 June 2015 are the first that the Partnership has prepared in accordance with FRS 101.

Accordingly, the Partnership has prepared financial statements which comply with FRS 101 applicable for periods ending on or after 30 June 2015, together with the comparative period data as at and for the year ended 31 December 2014, as described in the accounting policies. In preparing these financial statements, the Partnership’s opening statement of financial position was prepared as at 1 January 2014, the Partnership’s date of transition to FRS 101.

Adoption of FRS 101 has resulted in no opening balance adjustments to the statement of financial position or restatements of the income statement. Therefore, no additional reconciliation or comparative disclosure has been provided as a result of the first time adoption.

***New and amended standards adopted by the Company***

There are no FRS 101 interpretations that are effective for the first time for the financial period beginning on or after 1 January 2015 that would be expected to have a material impact on the Partnership.

***Exemptions***

The following exemptions from the requirements of IFRS have been applied in the preparation of these financial statements, in accordance with FRS 101:

- Paragraph 38 of IAS 1, ‘Presentation of financial statements’ comparative information requirements in respect of:
  - paragraph 79(a)(iv) of IAS 1;
- The following paragraphs of IAS 1, ‘Presentation of financial statements’:
  - 10(d) (statement of cash flows)
  - 10(f) (a statement of financial position as at the beginning of the preceding period when an entity applies an accounting policy retrospectively or makes a retrospective restatement of items in its financial statements),
  - 16 (statement of compliance with all IFRS),
  - 38A (requirement for minimum of two primary statements, including cash flow statements),
  - 38B-D (additional comparative information),
  - 40A-D (requirements for a third statement of financial position)
  - 111 (cash flow statement information), and
  - 134-136 (capital management disclosures)
- IAS 7, ‘Statement of cash flows’

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
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**1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)**

**1.2 First year adoption (continued)**

- Paragraph 30 and 31 of IAS 8 'Accounting policies, changes in accounting estimates and errors' (requirement for the disclosure of information when an entity has not applied a new IFRS that has been issued but is not yet effective).
- Paragraph 17 of IAS 24, 'Related party disclosures' (key management compensation)
- The requirements in IAS 24, 'Related party disclosures' to disclose related party transactions entered into between two or more members of a group.

**1.3 Revenue**

Revenue includes:

*Service fee income*

Charges made to affiliated companies to remunerate the Partnership for services provided or reimburse expenditure incurred by the Partnership are recognised on an accruals basis.

*Fee income*

Mutual fund distribution fees are recognised on an accruals basis.

*Principal trading*

Realised and unrealised profits and losses on financial instruments held for trading, including dividend income on cash equities, are recognised within revenue. Positions held in financial instruments are hedged using derivatives with an affiliated Company, with residual income or expense relating to this business recharged to affiliated companies under service agreements.

**1.4 Segmental analysis**

The Partnership operates two principal activities, comprising the issuance of warrants and related financial instruments, and the distribution of Merrill Lynch managed funds and other managed fund products (note 7). The Partners review and analyse performance of the Partnership based on these activities. Segment performance is not analysed geographically as the Partnership operates globally under one management structure.

**1.5 Translation of foreign currencies**

The financial statements have been presented in US Dollars which is also the functional currency of the Partnership.

Transactions in foreign currencies are translated into dollars at the rate ruling on the date of the transaction. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated into dollars at rates of exchange ruling at the statement of financial position date. Exchange gains and losses are recognised in the income statement. The financial statements of branches whose functional currency is not US dollars are translated into US dollars at the closing rate of exchange for the statement of financial position and at the rate ruling on the date of the transaction for the income statement.

**1.6 Finance income**

Finance income comprises interest received on balances with affiliated companies and is recognised on an accruals basis using the effective interest method.

**1.7 Finance costs**

Finance costs comprise interest payable on balances with affiliated companies and appropriations payable to the Limited Partner, which are recognised on an accruals basis using the effective interest method.

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**1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)**

**1.8 Taxation**

Current tax is provided at amounts expected to be paid (or recovered) using the tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantially enacted by the statement of financial position date.

Deferred income tax is recognised on temporary differences arising between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their carrying amounts in the financial statements. Deferred income tax is determined using tax rates (and laws) that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date and are expected to apply when the related deferred income tax asset is realised or the deferred income tax liability is settled.

Deferred income tax assets are recognised only to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profit will be available against which the temporary differences can be utilised.

**1.9 Impairment of financial assets held at amortised cost**

The Partnership assesses at each statement of financial position date whether there is objective evidence that a financial asset or group of financial assets is impaired. A financial asset or a group of financial assets is impaired and impairment losses are incurred only if there is objective evidence of impairment as a result of one or more events that occurred after the initial recognition of the asset (a 'loss event') and that loss event (or events) has an impact on the estimated future cash flows of the financial asset or group of financial assets that can be reliably estimated.

The amount of the impairment loss is measured as the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the present value of estimated future cash flows (excluding future credit losses that have not been incurred) discounted at the financial asset's original effective interest rate. The carrying amount of the asset is reduced through the use of an allowance account and the amount of the loss is recognised in the income statement.

**1.10 Financial assets**

The Partnership recognises financial assets in the statement of financial position when it becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. The Partnership classifies its financial assets in the following categories: financial assets at fair value through profit or loss and loans and receivables. Management determines the classification of its financial assets at initial recognition.

(a) Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss

The Partnership classifies its derivative assets as long inventory which are held for trading and are measured at fair value through profit and loss. All remaining financial assets are classified as loans and receivables.

(b) Loans and receivables

Loans and receivables are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market, other than: (a) those that the entity upon initial recognition designates as at fair value through profit or loss; or (b) those for which the holder may not recover substantially all of its initial investment, other than because of credit deterioration.

Loans and receivables are carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method less an allowance for any impairment. Interest calculated using the effective interest method is recognised in the income statement.

**1.11 Financial liabilities**

The Partnership recognises financial liabilities in the statement of financial position when it becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. The Partnership classifies issued warrants as short inventory positions which are held for trading and are measured at fair value through profit and loss. Gains and losses are recognised through the income statement as they arise. All remaining financial liabilities are carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

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**1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)**

**1.12 Derivative financial instruments**

Derivatives are initially recognised at fair value on the date on which a derivative contract is entered into and are subsequently re-measured at their fair value through the income statement. Fair values are obtained from quoted market prices in active markets, including recent market transactions, and valuation techniques, including discounted cash flow models and options pricing models, as appropriate. All derivatives are carried as assets when fair value is positive and as liabilities when fair value is negative.

**1.13 Offsetting**

Where the Partnership intends to settle (with any of its receivables or creditors) on a net basis, or intends to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously, and the Partnership has the legal right to do so, the balance included within the financial statements is the net balance due to or from the counterparty.

**1.14 De-recognition of financial assets**

The Partnership de-recognises a financial asset only when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the asset expire or it transfers substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of the asset to another entity. If the Partnership neither transfers nor retains substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership and continues to control the transferred asset, the Partnership recognises its retained interest in the asset and an associated liability for amounts it may have to pay. If the Partnership retains substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of a transferred financial asset, the Partnership continues to recognise the financial asset and also recognises a secured borrowing for the proceeds received.

**1.15 Leases**

Rentals under operating leases are charged on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

**1.16 Partners' capital and income accounts**

Partner capital is credited to the relevant partner's account within Partners' capital and income accounts. Capital contributions that meet the definition of debt under IAS 32, Financial Instruments: Presentation ("IAS 32") are recorded as liabilities due to a finite life and contractual payment provisions to each of the partners within the Partnership.

Where applicable, interest on Partners' capital is treated as dividends or interest depending on the classification of the contributions as set out above.

Partners' rights and entitlements are described in note 17.

**1.17 Going concern**

The officers of the General Partner have a reasonable expectation that, based on current and anticipated future performance, the Partnership will continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. The financial statements of the Partnership have, therefore, been prepared on a going concern basis.

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
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**2. CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES AND JUDGMENTS**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with FRS 101 requires the use of accounting estimates and assumptions concerning the future. It also requires management to exercise their judgment in the process of applying the Company's accounting policies, for example, determining the fair value of financial instruments (note 20).

Application of the accounting policies in the preparation of the financial statements requires the Board of Directors 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 historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates. The following significant accounting policies are made to determine fair values that require complex estimates:

**Financial instruments measured at fair value**

The fair values of financial instruments that are not quoted in financial markets are determined by using valuation techniques based on models such as discounted cash flow models, option pricing models and other methods consistent with accepted economic methodologies for pricing financial instruments. These models incorporate observable, and in some cases unobservable inputs including security prices, interest rate yield curves, option volatility, currency, commodity or equity rates and correlations between these inputs.

Where models are used to determine fair values, they are periodically reviewed by qualified personnel independent of the area that created them. All models are certified before they are used, and models are calibrated to ensure that output reflects actual data and comparative market prices. These estimation techniques are necessarily subjective in nature and involve several assumptions.

**3. REVENUE**

	<b>Six months ended 30 June 2015 \$'000</b>	Six months ended 30 June 2014 \$'000
Service fee income	38	863
Fee income	51,529	74,154
Net principal trading	(1,558)	(4,254)
Other revenue	4	37
	<u>50,013</u>	<u>70,800</u>

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**4. OPERATING LOSS**

Operating loss is stated after charging the following:

	Six months ended 30 June 2015 \$'000	Six months ended 30 June 2014 \$'000
Charges under operating leases on land and buildings	229	165
Staff costs (see note 8)	(97)	510
Loss on foreign exchange	51	34
Service fee expense	66,155	80,257
Other operating expenses	<u>319</u>	<u>243</u>

The service fee expense primarily relates to distribution fees paid to Merrill Lynch Pierce Fenner & Smith Inc and service fees recharged by affiliated companies.

**5. FINANCE INCOME**

	Six months ended 30 June 2015 \$'000	Six months ended 30 June 2014 \$'000
Finance income:		
- From affiliated companies	<u>19,913</u>	<u>13,230</u>

**6. FINANCE COSTS**

	Six months ended 30 June 2015 \$'000	Six months ended 30 June 2014 \$'000
Finance costs:		
- To Limited Partner	11	11
- To other affiliated companies	<u>3,000</u>	<u>1,765</u>
	<u>3,011</u>	<u>1,776</u>

**7. SEGMENTAL ANALYSIS**

	Warrant business \$'000	Managed funds \$'000	Total 30 June 2015 \$'000
Service fee income	38	-	38
Fee income	-	51,529	51,529
Net principal trading	(1,558)	-	(1,558)
Other revenue	4	-	4
Total operating income	<u>(1,516)</u>	<u>51,529</u>	<u>50,013</u>
Total expenses	<u>(15,128)</u>	<u>(51,529)</u>	<u>(66,657)</u>
Operating profit/(loss)	<u>(16,644)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(16,644)</u>

Following the sale of the international wealth management business to Julius Baer, the managed funds segment does not constitute a significant proportion of the Partnership's assets and liabilities. As such a breakdown of net assets by segment is not considered necessary.

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**For the six months ended 30 June 2015**
**8. STAFF COSTS**

Staff costs were as follows:	<b>Six months ended 30 June 2015 \$'000</b>	Six months ended 30 June 2014 \$'000
Salaries and benefits	(97)	479
Social security and other costs	-	31
	<u>(97)</u>	<u>510</u>

The credit for the period relates to the reversal of charges and reallocation of expenses from the year ended 31 December 2014.

The average number of persons employed by the Partnership during the period was:

By activity:	<b>Six months ended 30 June 2015 No.</b>	Six months ended 30 June 2014 No.
Support, operations and technology	-	2
	<u>-</u>	<u>2</u>

**9. TAX ON PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES**

The tax for the period is made up as follows:	<b>Six months ended 30 June 2015 \$'000</b>	Six months ended 30 June 2014 \$'000
<b>Current tax:</b>		
Tax on profits of the period	-	-
Foreign tax	-	-
<b>Total current tax</b>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

**Factors affecting tax charge for period**

The tax assessed for the period is lower (2014: lower) than the standard rate of corporation tax in the Curacao applicable to the Partnership of 3% (2014: 3%). The differences are explained below:

	<b>Six months ended 30 June 2015 \$'000</b>	Six months ended 30 June 2014 \$'000
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation	<u>675</u>	<u>2,136</u>
Profit on ordinary activities multiplied by the standard rate of corporation tax in Curacao of 3% (2014: 3%)	20	64
<b>Effects of:</b>		
Temporary difference with respect to losses	(20)	(64)
Impact of foreign taxes	-	-
<b>Current tax charge for period</b>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
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**9. TAX ON PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES (continued)**

The Partnership is subject to taxes on income earned both within and outside Curacao. Branches of the Partnership operating outside Curacao are subject to income taxes at rates applicable in those countries. Tax expense represents management's calculation of taxes due on earnings and the effect of changes in estimates for the prior year.

Management is of the opinion that it is uncertain that the Partnership will be able to generate sufficient future taxable income within the period of reliable forecasting to recover the deferred tax asset. The Partnership has unrecognised deferred tax assets totalling \$1,619,000 (2014: \$1,689,000).

**10. OPERATING LEASE COMMITMENTS**

At 30 June 2015 the Partnership had annual commitments in respect of leases of land and buildings as follows:

	<b>30 June 2015 \$'000</b>	31 December 2014 \$'000
<b>Expiry date:</b>		
Within 1 year	74	74
After five years	-	-
	<u>74</u>	<u>74</u>

**11. LONG INVENTORY POSITIONS**

	<b>30 June 2015 \$'000</b>	31 December 2014 \$'000
<i>Contractual agreements:</i>		
Options and swaps	<u>3,487,924</u>	<u>3,615,952</u>

**12. TRADE RECEIVABLES**

	<b>30 June 2015 \$'000</b>	31 December 2014 \$'000
Amounts owed by affiliated companies	<u>25,770</u>	<u>36,360</u>

Amounts owed by affiliated companies comprise both interest-bearing and non interest-bearing amounts arising on principal activities and are due on demand or within one year.

**13. OTHER RECEIVABLES AND PREPAYMENTS**

	<b>30 June 2015 \$'000</b>	31 December 2014 \$'000
Amounts owed by affiliated companies	7,141,359	7,270,583
Other receivables and prepayments	64	102
Taxation	186	62
	<u>7,141,609</u>	<u>7,270,747</u>

Amounts owed by affiliated companies comprise both interest-bearing and non interest-bearing amounts and are due on demand or within one year. Included within this is an amount of \$818,156,000 (2014: \$1,360,432,000) used by the Partnership as part of its management of market risk.



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15. TRADE CREDITORS

	30 June 2015 \$'000	31 December 2014 \$'000
Amounts owed to affiliated companies	<u>4,545,501</u>	<u>5,160,221</u>

Amounts owed to affiliated companies comprise both interest-bearing and non interest-bearing amounts arising on principal activities and are due on demand or within one year. Included within this is \$4,296,000,000 (2014: \$4,230,000,000) cash collateral received from an affiliated company.

16. OTHER CREDITORS INCLUDING TAXATION AND SOCIAL SECURITY

	30 June 2015 \$'000	31 December 2014 \$'000
Amounts owed to affiliated companies	63	58
Other creditors and accruals	3	20
	<u>66</u>	<u>78</u>

Amounts owed to affiliated companies comprise both interest-bearing and non interest-bearing amounts and are due on demand.

17. PARTNERS' CAPITAL AND INCOME ACCOUNTS

	General Partner \$'000	Limited Partner \$'000	Total \$'000
At 1 January 2015	576,428	228	576,656
Interest on partners capital (note 6)	-	11	11
Profit for 2015	675	-	675
At 30 June 2015	<u>577,103</u>	<u>239</u>	<u>577,342</u>

The rights and entitlements of the Partners in relation to allocations of Profits shall be divided into General Partner and the Limited Partner.

The General Partner's interest entitles the holder to voting rights in the Partnership and 100% of net profit / loss after the allocation of net profit / loss due to the Limited Partner. Payment of this appropriation is at the discretion of the Partnership as per the terms of the partnership agreement.

The Limited Partner's interest entitles the holder to no voting rights in the Partnership and net profits or losses up to the value of 10% of the average amount in their capital account. Payment of this amount is non-discretionary under the terms of the partnership agreement.

Any Partner may withdraw from the Partnership at the end of any accounting period provided written notice is received by 1 November of any accounting period or on any other date approved by the General Partner. In accordance with IAS 32 the General and Limited Partnership Interests meet the definition of debt. Accordingly, Partners' capital and Partners' income is recorded within liabilities.

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**18. Financial instruments subject to offsetting and related arrangements**

Financial assets and financial liabilities are offset and the net amount presented in the balance sheet when there is a legally enforceable right to offset and intention to settle on a net basis.

The table below presents the financial assets that are subject to offsetting, enforceable master netting agreements and similar agreements:

**Financial assets subject to offsetting and related arrangements**

		Gross amounts of recognised financial assets	Gross amounts of recognised financial liabilities set off in the statement of financial position	Net amounts of financial assets presented in the statement of financial position	Other amounts in scope but not set off in balance sheet	Net amounts
	Note	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000
<b>As at 30 June 2015</b>						
Options and swaps	11	<u>3,934,671</u>	<u>(446,747)</u>	<u>3,487,924</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,487,924</u>
<b>As at 31 December 2014</b>						
Options and swaps	11	<u>3,779,373</u>	<u>(163,421)</u>	<u>3,615,952</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,615,952</u>

**Financial liabilities subject to offsetting and related arrangements**

		Gross amounts of recognised financial liabilities	Gross amounts of recognised financial assets set off in the statement of financial position	Net amounts of financial liabilities presented in the statement of financial position	Other amounts in scope but not set off in balance sheet	Net amounts
	Note	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000
<b>As at 30 June 2015</b>						
Issued warrants, options and swaps	14	<u>5,536,889</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,536,889</u>	<u>(535,360)</u>	<u>5,001,529</u>
<b>As at 31 December 2014</b>						
Issued warrants, options and swaps	14	<u>5,190,370</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,190,370</u>	<u>(412,183)</u>	<u>4,778,187</u>

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**19. RISK MANAGEMENT**

**Legal Entity Governance**

Legal entity Risk governance is built on the BAC approach to risk management as documented in the BAC Risk Framework. BAC takes a comprehensive approach to risk management, integrating it with strategic, capital and financial operating plans. BAC manages risk systematically, with a focus on BAC as a whole and by business, Governance and Control Functions ("GCFs"), geography, legal entity and / or branch (where appropriate), product, service and transactions.

The risk management approach has five components:

- Risk culture;
- Risk appetite;
- Risk governance;
- Risk reporting; and
- Risk management processes.

The seven key types of risk faced by BAC Businesses as defined in the Risk Framework are market, credit, operational, liquidity, reputational, strategic and compliance risks.

Set out below is a summary of the Partnership's approach to each of the risk types.

**Market risk**

Market risk is the risk that values of assets and liabilities or revenues will be adversely affected by changes in market conditions. The Partnership seeks to manage these risk exposures by using a variety of techniques that encompass a broad range of financial instruments.

**Value at Risk**

Value at Risk (VAR) is a common statistic used to measure market risk as it allows the aggregation of market risk factors, by including the effects of portfolio diversification. VAR represents the expected loss for a given portfolio, probability and time horizon and produces a value such that there is a set probability that the mark to market ("MTM") loss on the portfolio over the given time horizon does not exceed this value.

The Partnership uses the historical simulation approach based on a three year window of historical data. The Partnership's primary VAR statistic is equivalent to a 99% confidence level with a one day holding period.

A VAR model is an effective tool in estimating ranges of potential gains and losses on the Group's trading portfolios. There are however many limitations inherent in a VAR model as it utilises historical results over a defined time period to estimate future performance. Historical results may not always be indicative of future results and changes in market conditions or in the composition of the underlying portfolio could have a material impact on the accuracy of the VAR model.

To ensure that the VAR model reflects current market conditions, the historical data underlying the Group's VAR model is updated on a weekly basis, and the assumptions underlying the model are regularly reviewed.

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**19. RISK MANAGEMENT (continued)**

The table that follows presents VAR analysis independently for each risk category for 2015 and 2014. Additionally, high and low VAR is presented independently for each risk category and overall.

<b>3 year 99% Daily VAR</b>	<b>30 June 2015 \$'000's</b>	<b>High 2015 \$'000's</b>	<b>Daily average 2015 \$'000's</b>	<b>Low 2015 \$'000's</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>166</b>	<b>216</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>72</b>
Interest rate risk	51	51	40	31
Currency risk	40	73	37	24
Equity price risk	144	212	90	54
Commodity risk	-	-	-	-

<b>3 year 99% Daily VAR</b>	<b>31 December 2014 \$'000's</b>	<b>High 2014 \$'000's</b>	<b>Daily average 2014 \$'000's</b>	<b>Low 2014 \$'000's</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>1,414</b>	<b>233</b>	<b>82</b>
Interest rate risk	36	176	51	28
Currency risk	28	261	50	12
Equity price risk	82	1,387	201	58
Commodity risk	-	1	-	-

In addition to VAR measures, the market risk department utilise a range of other risk measures including sensitivity analysis and stress testing to monitor exposures and to manage them using a robust set of limits.

**Credit risk**

The Partnership defines credit risk as the loss arising from the inability or failure of a borrower or counterparty to meet its obligations. The Partnership defines the credit exposure to a counterparty as the loss potential arising from product classifications, including loans, leases, derivatives and other extensions of credit.

In line with the BAC Risk Framework, the credit department manages credit risk based on the risk profile of the borrower or counterparty, which includes repayment sources, underlying collateral (if any), and the expected impacts of the current and forward-looking economic environment on these borrowers. Underwriting, credit management and credit risk limits are proactively reassessed as a borrower's or counterparty's risk profile changes.

Credit management includes the following processes:

- Establishing credit risk appetite
- Credit origination
- Portfolio management
- Loss mitigation activities

Managing through these processes creates a comprehensive consolidated view of our enterprise wide credit risk activities, thus providing executive management the information required to guide or redirect strategic plans.

The primary credit risks of the Partnership relate to its derivatives trading activities with affiliates and fee income due from third party and affiliate companies for fund services. There were no Credit exposures that were past due but not impaired at 30 June 2015.

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**19. RISK MANAGEMENT (continued)**

The Partnership's trading positions are only exposed to credit risk with other affiliated companies. The Partnership is primarily exposed to Merrill Lynch International (MLI), a UK investment firm regulated by the Prudential Regulation Authority. MLI's credit rating is A / A-1 (S&P); A / F1 (Fitch) (as at 30 June 2015). Residual exposures are mainly to other subsidiaries of BAC. BAC's credit rating is A- / A-2 (S&P); A / F1 (Fitch) (as at 30 June 2015).

**Derivatives Trading**

The Partnership enters into International Swaps and Derivatives Association, Inc. master agreements or their equivalent ("master netting agreements") with its major derivative counterparties. Master netting agreements provide protection in bankruptcy in certain circumstances and, in some cases, enable receivables and payables with the same counterparty to be offset for risk management purposes. Agreements are negotiated bilaterally and can require complex terms.

While the Partnership makes every effort to execute such agreements, it is possible that a counterparty may be unwilling to sign such an agreement and, as a result, would subject the Partnership to additional risk. The enforceability of master netting agreements under bankruptcy laws in certain countries is not free from doubt, and receivables and payables with counterparties in these countries are accordingly recorded on a gross basis for risk assessment purposes.

In addition, to reduce the risk of loss, the Partnership usually requires collateral that it is permitted by documentation such as repurchase agreements or Credit Support Annex to an International Swap Dealers Association Master Agreement ("ISDA"). From an economic standpoint, the Partnership evaluates risk exposures net of related collateral that meets specified standards. The Partnership also attempts to mitigate its default risk on derivatives whenever possible by entering into transactions with provisions that enable us to terminate or reset the terms of our derivative contracts under certain defined conditions.

**Operational risk**

Operational risk is the risk of loss resulting from inadequate or failed internal processes, people and systems, or from external events.

Operational risk may occur anywhere in the Partnership, including third party business processes, and is not limited to operations functions. Effects may extend beyond financial losses and may result in reputational risk impacts. An operational loss event can be associated with any of the following seven operational loss event categories as outlined by the Basel Committee for Banking Supervision: internal fraud; external fraud; employment practices and workplace safety; clients, products and business practices; damage to physical assets; business disruption and system failures; and execution, delivery and process management.

Since operational risk is inherent in every activity across the Partnership, the Partnership relies on all employees to contribute to an effective internal control environment and manage operational risk within their roles. The Partnership manages operational risk by designing and implementing internal controls to identify, measure, monitor and control risks.

Operational risk must be managed by all employees as part of their day-to-day activities. Business and Control Functions are responsible for monitoring, assessing and testing the effectiveness of controls, while continuing to identify, escalate, debate and report operational risks. The independent risk management teams actively oversee the businesses and control functions to monitor adherence to the operational risk management program and to advise and challenge operational risk exposures.

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**19. RISK MANAGEMENT (continued)**

**Liquidity risk**

Liquidity risk is the potential inability to meet contractual and contingent financial obligations, both on- or off- statement of financial position, as they come due. Liquidity risk relates to the ability of an entity to repay short-term borrowings with new borrowings or assets that can be quickly converted into cash while meeting other obligations and continuing to operate as a going concern. The Partnership maintains intercompany loans and other relationships with affiliates to provide funding for its activities as required.

**Reputational Risk**

Reputational risk is the potential that negative perceptions of the Partnership's conduct or business practices will adversely affect its profitability, operations or customers and clients.

Reputational risk is managed through established policies and controls as part of the core business and risk management processes. The control environment aims to prevent reputational risk events before they occur. Employees are expected to follow the Bank's Code of Conduct and not engage in any activity that could harm the Bank's reputation. In each business reputational risk is mitigated by the following activities: New Product Reviews, Conflict of Interest Management and appropriate risk management practices and controls.

The organizational and governance structure in place for reputational risk provides strong oversight at both the Partnership and individual Business levels. Committees exist at all levels, embedded as part of the overall governance model, to focus on oversight and escalation of reputational risk issues and individual roles and accountabilities of our employees.

**Strategic Risk**

Strategic risk is the risk that results from incorrect assumptions about external and/or internal factors, inappropriate business planning or ineffective / inefficient business strategy execution.

The strategic plan is reviewed and approved annually by the Board with ad-hoc strategic actions approved by the Board as required. At the Business and enterprise levels, Committees exist to assess the strategic risk implications of new business initiatives.

Transparency of our strategic risks is critical to effective risk management. Regular updates are provided to executive management on business performance with more topical presentations made to address other strategic developments when required.

**Compliance Risk**

Compliance Risk is the risk of legal or regulatory sanctions arising from the failure of BAC and its enterprise subsidiaries (which includes the group) to comply with requirements of banking and financial services laws, rules and regulations.

Global Compliance is a separate function with governance routines and executive reporting distinct from those of the Businesses or other GCFs. While GCFs are collectively responsible for overseeing the Partnership's overall compliance with applicable laws, rules and regulations Global Compliance assumes responsibility for Compliance Risk. Global Compliance is responsible for identifying and mitigating Compliance risks, escalating compliance risks and issues, and providing ongoing, objective oversight of compliance risk for the Partnership.

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**20. FAIR VALUE INFORMATION**

**Fair value hierarchy**

In accordance with IFRS 7, the Partnership has categorised its financial instruments, based on the priority of the inputs to the valuation technique, into a three-level fair value hierarchy.

The fair value hierarchy gives the highest priority to quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3).

Financial assets and liabilities recorded on the statement of financial position are categorised based on the inputs to the valuation techniques as follows:

Level 1 – Financial assets and liabilities whose values are based on unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets or liabilities in an active market that the Partnership has the ability to access (an example of which is certain Government securities).

Level 2 – Financial assets and liabilities whose values are based on quoted prices in markets that are not active or model inputs that are observable either directly or indirectly for substantially the full term of the asset or liability. Level 2 inputs include the following:

- Quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets;
- Quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in non-active markets (examples include corporate bonds, which can trade infrequently);
- Pricing models whose inputs are observable for substantially the full term of the asset or liability (examples include most over-the-counter (“OTC”) derivatives, including interest rate and currency swaps); and
- Pricing models whose inputs are derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data through correlation or other means for substantially the full term of the asset or liability (examples include OTC derivatives).

Level 3 – Financial assets and liabilities whose values are based on prices or valuation techniques that require inputs, principally correlation in respect of the level 3 inventory held by the Partnership, that are both unobservable and significant to the overall fair value measurement. These inputs reflect management’s view about the assumptions a market participant would use in pricing the asset or liability (examples include long-dated or complex derivatives).

When the inputs used to measure fair value fall within different levels of the hierarchy, the level within which the fair value measurement is categorised is based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement in its entirety. For example, a Level 3 fair value measurement may include inputs that are observable (Level 2) and unobservable (Level 3). Therefore, gains and losses for such assets and liabilities categorised within the Level 3 reconciliations below may include changes in fair value that are attributable to both observable inputs and unobservable inputs.

**Valuation techniques**

The following outlines the valuation methodologies for the Partnership’s material categories of assets and liabilities:

**Listed derivative contracts**

Listed derivatives that are actively traded are valued based on quoted prices from the exchange and are categorised in Level 1 of the fair value hierarchy. Listed derivatives that are not actively traded are valued using the same approaches as those applied to OTC derivatives; they are generally categorised in Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy.

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**20. FAIR VALUE INFORMATION (continued)****OTC derivative contracts**

OTC derivative contracts include swap and option contracts related to equity prices. Depending on the product and the terms of the transaction, the fair value of OTC derivative products can be either observed or modelled using a series of techniques, and model inputs from comparable benchmarks, including closed-form analytic formulas, such as the Black-Scholes option-pricing model, and simulation models or a combination thereof. Many pricing models do not entail material subjectivity because the methodologies employed do not necessitate significant judgement, and the pricing inputs are observed from actively quoted markets, as is the case for certain option contracts.

In the case of more established derivative products, the pricing models used by the Partnership are widely accepted by the financial services industry. A substantial majority of OTC derivative products valued by the Partnership using pricing models fall into this category and are categorised in Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy.

Other derivative products, including complex products that have become illiquid, require more judgement in the implementation of the valuation technique applied due to the complexity of the valuation assumptions and the reduced observability of inputs. This includes certain types of derivatives with both volatility and correlation exposure where direct trading activity or quotes are unobservable. These instruments involve significant unobservable inputs and are categorised in Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy.

The Partnership trades various derivative structures with equity underlyings. Depending on the type of structure, the model inputs generally include interest rate yield curves, equity underlier price curves, implied volatility of the underlying equities and, in some cases, the implied correlation between these inputs. The fair value of these products is determined using executed trades and broker and consensus data to provide values for the aforementioned inputs. Where these inputs are unobservable, relationships to observable equities and data points, based on historic and / or implied observations, are employed as a technique to estimate the model input values. Equity derivatives are generally categorised in Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy; in instances where significant inputs are unobservable, they are categorised in Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy.

**Fair value**

The following tables present the Partnership's fair value hierarchy for those assets and liabilities measured at fair value as of 30 June 2015.

	<b>30 June 2015</b>		<b>Total \$'000</b>
	<b>Level 2 \$'000</b>	<b>Level 3 \$'000</b>	
<b>Long inventory positions</b>			
<i>Contractual agreements:</i>			
- Options and swaps	<u>3,326,122</u>	<u>161,802</u>	<u>3,487,924</u>
<b>Short inventory positions</b>			
Issued warrants, options and swaps	<u>5,375,316</u>	<u>161,573</u>	<u>5,536,889</u>



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**20. FAIR VALUE INFORMATION (continued)**

	31 December 2014		Total \$'000
	Fair Value Measurement		
	Level 2 \$'000	Level 3 \$'000	
<b>Long inventory positions</b>			
<i>Contractual agreements:</i>			
- Options and swaps	3,363,081	252,871	3,615,952
<b>Short inventory positions</b>			
Issued warrants, options and swaps	4,937,921	252,449	5,190,370

The following tables provide a summary of the changes in fair value of the Partnership's Level 3 financial assets and liabilities for the six months ended 30 June 2015:

	Long inventory positions Options and swaps \$'000	Short inventory positions Issued warrants, options and swaps \$'000
At 1 January 2015	252,871	(252,449)
Total (losses)/gains recognised in the income statement	(65,617)	65,424
Purchases	-	-
New issuances	57,193	(57,193)
Sales	-	-
Settlements	(13,691)	13,691
Transfers out	(157,389)	157,389
Transfers in	88,435	(88,435)
At 30 June 2015	161,802	(161,573)
	Long inventory positions Options and swaps \$'000	Short inventory positions Issued warrants, options and swaps \$'000
At 1 January 2014	88,362	(88,362)
Total (losses)/gains recognised in the income statement	(30,145)	30,567
Purchases	-	-
New issuances	67,663	(67,663)
Sales	-	-
Settlements	(71,710)	71,710
Transfers out	(65,989)	65,989
Transfers in	264,690	(264,690)
At 31 December 2014	252,871	(252,449)

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**20. FAIR VALUE INFORMATION (continued)****Transfers between levels of the fair value hierarchy**

Transfers out of Level 3 to Level 2 were primarily due to changes in the impact of unobservable inputs on the value of options, swaps and related issued warrants.

Transfers into Level 3 from Level 2 were primarily due to changes in the impact of unobservable inputs on the value of options, swaps and related issued warrants.

Transfers between Level 2 and Level 3 occur on a regular basis for these instruments due to changes in the impact of unobservable inputs on the value of the instrument as a whole.

**Valuation of Level 3 financial assets and liabilities recognised at fair value on a recurring basis**

The table below provides information on the valuation techniques, significant unobservable inputs and their ranges and averages for each major category of assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis with a significant Level 3 balance.

The level of aggregation and breadth of products cause the range of inputs to be wide and not evenly distributed across the inventory. Further, the range of unobservable inputs may differ across firms in the financial services industry because of diversity in the types of products included in each firm's inventory. The following disclosures also include qualitative information on the sensitivity of the fair value measurements to changes in the significant unobservable inputs:

Financial Instrument	Fair Value	Valuation Technique	Significant Unobservable Inputs	Ranges of Inputs	Weighted Average
Derivative assets \$'000s					
Options and swaps	\$161,802	Industry standard derivative pricing <sup>1</sup>	Equity correlation	20% to 98%	65%
			Long-dated equity volatilities	4% to 91%	23%
Financial Instrument	Fair Value	Valuation Technique	Significant Unobservable Inputs	Ranges of Inputs	Weighted Average
Derivative liabilities \$'000s					
Issued warrants, options and swaps	\$161,573	Industry standard derivative pricing <sup>1</sup>	Equity correlation	20% to 98%	65%
			Long-dated equity volatilities	4% to 91%	23%

<sup>1</sup> Includes models such as Monte Carlo simulation and Black-Scholes.

For equity derivatives a significant change in long-dated rates, volatilities and correlation inputs (e.g., the degree of correlation between an equity security and an index, between two different interest rates, or between interest rates and foreign exchange rates) would result in a significant impact to the fair value; however, the magnitude and direction of the impact depends on whether the Corporation is long or short the exposure.

The following provides a description of significant unobservable inputs included in the table above for all major categories of assets and liabilities:

**Correlation**

A pricing input where the payoff is driven by more than one underlying risk. Correlation is a measure of the relationship between the movements of two variables (i.e., how the change in one variable influences a change in the other variable). The correlation ranges may be wide since any two underlying inputs may be highly correlated (either positively or negatively) or weakly correlated.

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**20. FAIR VALUE INFORMATION (continued)****Volatility**

The measure of the variability in possible returns for an instrument given how much that instrument changes in value over time. Volatility is a pricing input for options and, generally, the lower the volatility, the less risky the option. The level of volatility used in the valuation of a particular option depends on a number of factors, including the nature of the risk underlying that option (e.g., the volatility of a particular underlying equity security may be significantly different from that of a particular underlying commodity index), the tenor and the strike price of the option.

**Sensitivity of fair values to changing significant assumptions to reasonably possible alternatives**

All financial instruments are valued in accordance with the techniques outlined in the fair value hierarchy. Some of these techniques, such as those used to value instruments categorised in Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy, are dependent on unobservable parameters and the fair value for these financial instruments has been determined using parameters appropriate for the valuation methodology based on prevailing market evidence. It is recognised that the unobservable parameters could have a range of reasonably possible alternative values.

In estimating the change in fair value, to provide information about the variability of the fair value measurement, the unobservable parameters were varied to the extremes of the ranges of reasonably possible alternatives using statistical techniques, such as dispersion in comparable observable external inputs for similar asset classes, historic data or judgement if a statistical technique is not appropriate.

Where a financial instrument has more than one unobservable parameter, the sensitivity analysis reflects the greatest reasonably possible increase or decrease to fair value by varying the assumptions individually. It is unlikely that all unobservable parameters would be concurrently at the extreme range of possible alternative assumptions and therefore the sensitivity shown below is likely to be greater than the actual uncertainty relating to the financial instruments.

The following tables present the sensitivity of the fair value of Level 3 financial assets and financial liabilities to reasonably possible alternative assumptions, providing quantitative information on the potential variability of the fair value measurement.

	<b>30 June 2015</b>		
	<b>Effect of reasonably possible alternative assumptions</b>		
	<b>Fair value</b>	<b>Increase in</b>	<b>Decrease in</b>
	<b>\$'000</b>	<b>fair value</b>	<b>fair value</b>
	<b>\$'000</b>	<b>\$'000</b>	<b>\$'000</b>
<b>Long inventory positions</b>			
<i>Contractual agreements:</i>			
- Options and swaps	161,802	1,226	(1,226)
<b>Short inventory positions</b>			
Issued warrants, options and swaps	(161,573)	1,226	(1,226)

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**21. GAIN ON SALE OF INTERNATIONAL WEALTH MANAGEMENT BUSINESS**

	<b>2015</b>	2014
	<b>\$'000</b>	\$'000
International Wealth Management Business Sale	<u>418</u>	<u>1,952</u>

Pursuant to BAC's decision to sell its international wealth management business to the Julius Baer group, the wealth management businesses conducted through the Partnership branches in Panama and Dubai were sold on 6 November 2014 and 6 December 2014 respectively.

Upon completion of the sale of the branches, the MLICO Panama and MLICO Dubai employees entered into new employment contracts with Julius Baer group.

As detailed in the business review on page 1, the Partnership intends to close its Panama branch, following completion of the sale of its international wealth management business to the Julius Baer Group. The Partnership continues to transfer assets under management relating to the international wealth management business to the Julius Baer group. The Partnership will continue to receive gains in relation to this transaction until the completion of this transfer. Future receipts are expected to be immaterial and will diminish over time.


Therefore, the international wealth management business does not meet the requirements of IFRS 5 - 'Non-current Assets Held for Sale and Discontinued Operations', to be classified as discontinued operations and is consequently classified as discontinuing operations. The distribution of Merrill Lynch managed funds and other managed fund products remains a principal activity of the Partnership.

**22. CONTROLLING PARTIES**

The General Partner of the Partnership is ML Cayman Holdings Inc., and the ultimate parent Company and controlling party is BAC, which is organised and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware in the United States of America ("U.S.A"). The parent Company of the largest and smallest group that includes the Partnership and for which group financial statements are prepared is BAC. Copies of BAC's financial statements can be obtained from the Corporate Secretary's office, 214 North Tryon Street, Charlotte, North Carolina, 28255, U.S.A.

To the best of our knowledge, the financial statements of **Merrill Lynch International & Co. C.V.** (the "Partnership") for the half-year ended 30 June 2015 have been prepared in accordance with the United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, and give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities, financial position and profit or loss of the Partnership.

The General Partner's Interim Report includes a fair review of the development and performance of the business and the position of the Partnership, together with a description of the principal risks and uncertainties that it faces.

 8/27/2015

Devin Crowe  
For and on behalf of  
ML Cayman Holdings Inc., as General Partner