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Important information relating to Artemis US Absolute Return Fund

Dear Investor,

We are writing to you as an investor in Artemis US Absolute Return (the “Fund”) to inform you that we intend to close the Fund on 12 June 2023 (the “Effective Date”).

The changes described in this letter do not require shareholder approval. This document sets out the reasons for the change and the options that are available to you. We recommend that you read this letter as it contains important information about your investment.

Reasons for the closure of the Fund

At Artemis, we regularly review the funds across our range to ensure we are offering appropriate products to our investors. Following continuous large redemptions in the Fund (the Fund currently has approximately £15.3 million assets under management, as at 28 April 2023), we have undertaken an assessment of the ongoing viability of the Fund and its future prospects, in terms of increasing size and scale through gaining new investors and determined that the Fund is no longer economically viable. Having considered a number of options, we have concluded that there are no suitable options for maintaining the Fund and closing the Fund is therefore in the best interests of investors. This letter describes the process for the closure of the Fund and sets out your options.

Process for the closure

The Fund will continue to operate within its stated investment policy until the Effective Date. From the Effective Date, the Fund will sell down all remaining positions to make payments to investors.

Please note that the options available are different dependent on if you are an ISA holder or you hold your shares outside of an ISA.

Options available to you

Redeem your shares

You can redeem your holding in the Fund, free of any redemption charges, at any point up to 12:00 noon (UK time) on the Effective Date. Redemption proceeds will be paid within the usual timescales outlined in the Fund’s prospectus (we anticipate making a payment within four business days of the Effective Date). If you would like to exercise this option, please contact us by post at Artemis Fund Managers Limited, Sunderland, SR43 4BH, by telephone on 0800 092 2051 (outside of the UK +44 1133 604500) or fax on 0207 6433 708.

Please note that a redemption will be a disposal of shares which may give rise to a tax liability on chargeable gains, depending on your personal circumstances. If you have any doubt as to the action you should take in relation to this, we strongly recommend that you contact your professional adviser in the first instance.

Switch:

You are entitled to switch your shares into units/shares in another Artemis UK-domiciled fund, free of any transfer charges. If you would like to exercise this option, please contact us by post at Artemis Fund

Managers Limited, Sunderland, SR43 4BH, by telephone on 0800 092 2051 (outside of the UK +44 1133 604500) or fax on 0207 6433708. Please note that instructions to switch must be received no later than 12:00 noon (UK time) on the Effective Date. We cannot offer you advice about which fund you may wish to switch to, and we recommend that you consult with a professional adviser and read the Key Investor Information Document of any alternative fund before you choose to invest.

Please note that a switch may be treated as a disposal of shares which may give rise to a tax liability on chargeable gains, depending on your personal circumstances (as would the receipt of proceeds in the termination). If you have any doubt as to the action you should take in relation to this, we strongly recommend that you contact your professional adviser in the first instance.

Take no action:

If you choose not to switch your shares into units/shares in another Artemis UK-domiciled fund or do nothing, your shares will be redeemed at 12:00 noon (UK time) on the Effective Date. No redemption charge will be applied. The proceeds will be forwarded to the bank account details we hold on file for you. In the absence of a specified bank account, we shall make payment by cheque sent to your registered address (subject to satisfactory identification checks). We anticipate making a payment within four business days of the Effective Date.

Please note that a redemption will be a disposal of shares which may give rise to a tax liability on chargeable gains, depending on your personal circumstances. If you have any doubt as to the action you should take in relation to this, we strongly recommend that you contact your professional adviser in the first instance.

Implications for ISA holders

If you hold your shares in an Artemis ISA you have a number of options. You can choose to participate in the closure, switch to another fund within the Artemis ISA or transfer to another ISA Plan Manager, or redeem your ISA holding.

Participate in the closure:

If you participate in the closure and have shares in funds other than the Fund in your Artemis ISA account, we will forward the proceeds of the closure to the bank account details we hold on file for you. In the absence of a specified bank account, we shall make payment by cheque sent to your registered address (subject to satisfactory identification checks). If your Artemis ISA consists entirely of shares in the Fund, your ISA plan with us will close after the closure. You will lose the ISA benefits relating to your investment in the Fund if you participate in the closure.

Switch to another fund in the Artemis ISA or transfer to another ISA Plan Manager:

If you wish to retain the ISA benefits then you will need to switch to another fund within the Artemis ISA or transfer to another ISA Plan Manager. If you wish to transfer to another ISA Plan Manager, please do not wait to participate in the closure but instead contact your chosen ISA Plan Manager to arrange for this transfer as soon as possible. You will need to transfer all investments made in the current tax year as it is not possible to transfer part only. This means if you hold another fund in the Artemis range within your ISA, you will also need to transfer these investments. If you choose to transfer your ISA holding in the Fund to another fund of your choosing within the Artemis range, you will not be charged for this switch. If your chosen fund is an eligible ISA investment you will not lose any of the tax advantages which you currently enjoy in your Artemis ISA as a consequence of switching.

In the event that you choose to transfer to another ISA Plan Manager you will need to contact your chosen ISA plan manager who will contact us to make the necessary transfer arrangements for you.

Artemis will not charge you for the transfer of your Artemis ISA to another plan manager.

If your new plan manager has not arranged this transfer with us by 12:00 noon on the Effective Date, your Artemis ISA will automatically be closed as part of the termination and we will make payment by cheque sent to your registered address (subject to satisfactory identification checks).

Redeem your ISA holding:

You can redeem your holding in the Fund, free of any redemption charges, at any point prior to 12:00 noon (UK time) on the Effective Date. Redemption proceeds will be paid within the usual timescales outlined in the Fund's prospectus. **If you choose this option, it will be treated as a withdrawal from your ISA and you may lose the ISA benefits relating to your investment in the Fund.**

We are unable to provide tax advice and we therefore suggest that if you are in any doubt about the tax consequences of your election, you should consult a professional adviser. Please note that Artemis will not be responsible for or pay any investor's personal tax liability arising from the closure.

Costs

The costs associated with the closure of the Fund shall be borne by Artemis, including legal and regulatory charges but not the trading-related transaction costs associated with the disposal of the Fund's investments which will be borne by the Fund itself.

The transaction costs are estimated to be around 0.07% of the net asset value of the Fund which includes dealing spreads, commissions and taxes and duties arising from the sale of the assets. In practice, these costs will be dependent on market conditions and the portfolio at the time of the liquidation and may be higher or lower.

Further information

If you are uncertain about the contents of this letter, we recommend that you consult a professional adviser.

If you have any questions about the Fund closure or would like further information, please contact our Fund Service Centre on 0800 092 2051 (outside the UK +44 1133 604500) between 8:00am and 6:00pm (Monday to Friday) or by e-mail at artemisenquiries@ntrs.com.

Yours faithfully,



Greg Jones
Director
For and on behalf of Artemis Fund Managers Limited