

# **Swiss Commodity Securities Limited**

Registered No: 111924

Unaudited Interim Financial Report for the Six Months to 30 June 2019

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The directors of Swiss Commodity Securities Limited ("SCSL" or the "Company") submit herewith the unaudited interim financial report and interim financial statements of the Company for the period ended 30 June 2019.

#### **Directors**

The names and particulars of the directors of the Company during and since the end of the financial period are:

Gregory Barton (resigned 15 March 2019) Hilary Jones Steven Ross Peter Ziemba

#### **Directors' Interests**

No director has an interest in the Ordinary Shares of the Company as at the date of this report.

## **Principal Activities**

During the period there were no significant changes in the nature of the Company's activities.

## **Review of Operations**

As at 30 June 2019 the Company had the following number of classes, in aggregate, of Swiss Franc Currency-Hedged Commodity Securities in issue and admitted to trading on the following exchanges:

	Swiss Stock Exchange
Classic Swiss Franc Currency-Hedged Commodity Securities Longer Dated Swiss Franc Currency-Hedged Commodity Securities	25 3
Total Swiss Franc Currency-Hedged Commodity Securities	28

As at 30 June 2019, the fair value of assets under management amounted to USD 10.9 million (31 December 2018: USD 11.3 million). The Company recognises its financial assets (Commodity Contracts) and financial liabilities (Swiss Franc Currency-Hedged Commodity Securities) at fair value in the Condensed Statement of Financial Position.

During the period, the Company generated income from creation and redemption fees, management fees and licence allowance as follows:

	30 June 2019 USD	30 June 2018 USD
Creation and Redemption Fees Management Fees and Licence Allowance	- 29,225	2,018 65,739
Total Fee Income	29,225	67,757

Under the terms of the service agreement with ETFS Management Company (Jersey) Limited ("ManJer"), the Company accrued expenses equal to the management fees and licence allowance and creation and redemption fees, which, after taking into account other operating income and expenses, resulted in an operating result for the period of USD Nil (30 June 2018: USD Nil).

# Directors' Report (Continued)



# **Review of Operations (continued)**

The gain or loss on Swiss Franc Currency-Hedged Commodity Securities and Commodity Contracts is recognised in the Condensed Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income in line with the Company's accounting policy.

The Company has entered into contractual obligations to issue and redeem Swiss Franc Currency-Hedged Commodity Securities at set prices on each trading day. These prices are based on an agreed formula published in the Prospectus, and are equal to the published net asset value ("NAV") of each class of Swiss Franc Currency-Hedged Commodity Securities.

IFRS 13 requires the Company to identify the principal market and to utilise the available market price within that principal market. The directors consider that the stock exchanges where the Swiss Franc Currency-Hedged Commodity Securities are listed to be the principal market and as a result the fair value of the Swiss Franc Currency-Hedged Commodity Securities is the on-exchange price as quoted on those stock exchanges demonstrating active trading. As a result of the difference in valuation methodology between Commodity Contracts and Swiss Franc Currency-Hedged Commodity Securities there is a mis-match between accounting values, and the results of the Company reflect a gain or loss on the difference between the agreed formula price of the Commodity Contracts and the market price of Swiss Franc Currency-Hedged Commodity Securities. This gain or loss would be reversed on a subsequent redemption of the Swiss Franc Currency-Hedged Commodity Securities and cancellation of the corresponding Commodity Contracts. This is presented in more detail in note 5 to these interim financial statements.

## **Future Developments**

Referendum of the United Kingdom's ("UK's") membership of the European Union (the "EU Referendum")

The process for the UK's withdrawal from the EU is still ongoing, the UK's future relationship with the EU is still uncertain and the renegotiations of treaties and agreements, together with legislation changes, have yet to be completed.

The Company is domiciled in Jersey, outside of the EU, and the Swiss Franc Currency-Hedged Commodity Securities are distributed in the EU under the EU Prospectus Directive which requires their offering to the public to be approved by an EU Member State regulator. To date, the Company has chosen the UK Financial Conduct Authority ("FCA") as its Member State regulator for these purposes. Request is then made to the FCA, as the chosen Member State regulator, for the passporting of the offering across the EU, once again, under the EU Prospectus Directive.

It is currently expected that, if necessary, the Company would select an alternate EU Member State regulator through which to seek approval and request passporting for its offering. As the Swiss Franc Currency-Hedged Commodity Securities already comply with the European wide requirements of the Prospectus Directive, this is not expected to cause any disruption or alteration to the terms or nature of the Swiss Franc Currency-Hedged Commodity Securities.

The Swiss Franc Currency-Hedged Commodity Securities continue to comply with all applicable laws and regulations. Continued assessment of the impact will be required throughout the withdrawal process.

The board of directors (the "Board") are not aware of any other developments that might have a significant effect on the operations of the Company in subsequent financial periods not already disclosed in this report or the attached interim financial statements.

# **Directors' Remuneration**

No director has a service contract with the Company. The directors of the Company who are employees within the ETF Securities Group do not receive separate remuneration in their capacity as directors of the Company. R&H Fund Services (Jersey) Limited ("R&H" or the "Administrator") receives a fee in respect of the directors of the Company who are employees of R&H.



# **Directors' Remuneration (continued)**

The directors' fees which have been paid by ManJer on behalf of the Company for the period:

	30 June 2019 GBP	30 June 2018 GBP
Gregory Barton	Nil	Nil
Christopher Foulds	Nil	1,750
Hilary Jones	4,000	Nil
Steven Ross	4,000	4,000
Peter Ziemba	Nil	Nil

# **Going Concern**

The nature of the Company's business dictates that the outstanding Swiss Franc Currency-Hedged Commodity Securities may be redeemed at any time by the holder and in certain circumstances may be compulsorily redeemed by the Company. As the redemption of Swiss Franc Currency-Hedged Commodity Securities will always coincide with the cancellation of an equal amount of Commodity Contracts, no net liquidity risk is considered to arise. All other expenses of the Company are met by ManJer; therefore the directors consider the Company to be a going concern for the foreseeable future and have prepared the financial statements on this basis.

#### **Directors Statement**

With regard to Regulation 2004/109/EC of the European Union (the "EU Transparency Directive"), the directors confirm that to the best of their knowledge that:

- the interim financial statements for the period ended 30 June 2019 give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities, financial position and profit or loss of the Company as required by law and in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board; and
- the Directors' Report gives a fair view of the development of the Company's business, financial position and the important events that have occurred during the period and their impact on these interim financial statements.

On behalf of the directors

Hilary Jones
Director

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12 September 2019

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		Period ended 30 June	
		2019	2018
		Unaudited	Unaudited
	Notes	USD	USD
Revenue	2	29,225	67,757
Expenses	2	(29,255)	(67,757)
Operating Result	_	-	-
Net Gain/(Loss) Arising on Contractual and Fair Value of Commodity Contracts	3	640,897	(449,497)
Net (Loss)/Gain Arising on Fair Value of Swiss Franc Currency-Hedged Commodity Securities	4	(628,259)	357,995
Result and Total Comprehensive Income for the Period	_	12,638	(91,502)
<sup>1</sup> Adjustment from Market Value to Contractual Value (as set out in the Prospectus) of Swiss Franc Currency-Hedged Commodity Securities	5	(12,638)	91,502
Adjusted Result and Total Comprehensive Income for the Period	_		

The directors consider the Company's activities as continuing.

The notes on pages 8 to 13 form part of these condensed interim financial statements

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> An explanation of the non-statutory adjustment is set out on pages 10 to 11. This represents the movement in the difference between the Contractual Value of the Commodity Contracts and the market price of Swiss Franc Currency-Hedged Commodity Securities.



	As at		
		30 June 2019	31 December 2018
		Unaudited	Audited
	Notes	USD	USD
Current Assets			
Trade and Other Receivables		8,236	7,668
Commodity Contracts	3	10,910,806	11,266,989
Amounts Receivable on Commodity Contracts			
Awaiting Settlement	3	47,926	-
Total Assets	_	10,966,968	11,274,657
Current Liabilities			
Swiss Franc Currency-Hedged Commodity			
Securities	4	10,933,219	11,302,039
Amounts Payable on Swiss Franc Currency-Hedged			
Commodity Securities Awaiting Settlement	4	47,926	-
Trade and Other Payables		8,232	7,665
Total Liabilities	<u> </u>	10,989,377	11,309,704
Equity			
Stated Capital		3	3
Revaluation Reserve		(22,412)	(35,050)
Total Equity	<u>-</u>	(22,409)	(35,047)
Total Equity and Liabilities	_	10,966,968	11,274,657

The condensed interim financial statements on pages 4 to 13 were approved and authorised for issue by the board of directors and signed on its behalf on 12 September 2019.

Hilary Jones
Director



	Period ended 30 June		
	2019	2018	
	Unaudited	Unaudited	
	USD	USD	
Operating Result for the Period	-	-	
Changes in Operating Assets and Liabilities			
(Increase)/Decrease in Receivables	(567)	18,917	
Decrease/(Increase) in Payables	567	(18,917)	
Cash Generated from Operating Activities	-	-	
Net Increase in Cash and Cash Equivalents	-		
Cash and Cash Equivalents at the Beginning of the Period	-	-	
Net Movement in Cash and Cash Equivalents	-	-	
Cash and Cash Equivalents at the End of the Period			

Swiss Franc Currency-Hedged Commodity Securities are issued through a receipt of cash directly with the Commodity Contract Counterparties or redeemed by the transfer of cash directly by the Commodity Contract Counterparties. Cash flows in respect of the issue and redemption of Swiss Franc Currency-Hedged Commodity Securities and the creation and cancellation of Commodity Contracts have been netted off in the Condensed Statement of Cash Flows.

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# Condensed Statement of Changes in Equity



	Notes	Stated Capital USD	Retained Earnings USD	Revaluation Reserve <sup>2</sup> USD	Total Equity USD	Adjusted Total Equity USD
Audited Opening Balance at 1 January 2018		3	-	130,080	130,083	3
Result and Total Comprehensive Income for the Period Transfer to Revaluation Reserve <sup>3</sup> Adjustment from Market Value to Contractual Value (as set out in the Prospectus) of Swiss Franc Currency-Hedged Commodity		-	(91,502) 91,502	(91,502)	(91,502) -	(91,502) -
Securities		-	-	-	-	91,502
Unaudited Balance at 30 June 2018	<u> </u>	3		38,578	38,581	
Unaudited Opening Balance at 1 July 2018		3	-	38,578	38,581	3
Result and Total Comprehensive Loss for the Period Transfer to Revaluation Reserve <sup>3</sup> Adjustment from Market Value to Contractual Value (as set out in the Prospectus) of Swiss Franc Currency-Hedged Commodity		- -	(73,628) 73,628	(73,628)	(73,628) -	(73,628) -
Securities		-	-	-	-	73,628
Audited Balance at 31 December 2018	_	3	-	(35,050)	(35,047)	3
Audited Opening Balance at 1 January 2019		3	-	(35,050)	(35,047)	3
Result and Total Comprehensive Income for the Period Transfer to Revaluation Reserve <sup>3</sup> Adjustment from Market Value to Contractual Value (as set out in the Prospectus) of Swiss Franc Currency-Hedged Commodity	5	-	12,638 (12,638)	- 12,638	12,638 -	12,638
Securities	5	-	-	-	-	(12,638)
Unaudited Balance at 30 June 2019	_	3	<u> </u>	(22,412)	(22,409)	3

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> This represents the difference between the Contractual Value of the Commodity Contracts and the market price of Swiss Franc Currency-Hedged Commodity Securities. <sup>3</sup> An explanation of the non-statutory adjustment is set out on pages 10 to 11.

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# 1. Accounting Policies

The main accounting policies of the Company are described below.

# **Basis of Preparation**

The interim financial statements for the six months ended 30 June 2019 have been prepared in accordance with IAS 34 "Interim Financial Reporting" as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board ("IASB") and interpretations issued by the International Financial Reporting Interpretations Committee of the IASB. The interim financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, as modified by the revaluation of financial assets and financial liabilities held at fair value through profit or loss.

The interim financial statements do not include all the information and disclosures required in the annual financial statements and should be read in conjunction with the Company's annual financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2018. Except as described below under *Changes in Accounting Standards* the accounting policies adopted are consistent with those of the annual financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2018. The changes in accounting policies are also expected to be reflected in the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2019.

The presentation of interim financial statements in conformity with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRSs") 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 Company makes estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities. Estimates are continually evaluated and based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. The only key accounting judgement required to prepare these interim financial statements is in respect of the valuation of Commodity Contracts and Swiss Franc Currency-Hedged Commodity Securities held at fair value through profit or loss as disclosed in notes 3, 4 and 5. Actual results could vary from these estimates.

This half yearly report has not been audited or reviewed by the Company's auditors.

# **Changes in Accounting Standards**

On 1 January 2019 the Company adopted IFRS 16, IFRS 9, IAS 28, IAS 19 and annual improvement and have assessed that the adoption of these revised and amended accounting standards has not resulted in any changes to the accounting policies and disclosures within these financial statements.

# 2. Operating Result

Operating result for the period comprised:

	Period ended 30 June		
	2019	2018	
	Unaudited	Unaudited	
	USD	USD	
Management Fees	26,540	59,652	
Licence Allowance	2,685	6,087	
Creation and Redemption Fees	-	2,018	
Total Revenue	29,225	67,757	
ManJer Fees	(29,225)	(67,757)	
Total Operating Expenses	(29,225)	(67,757)	
Operating Result	<u> </u>		



# 3. Commodity Contracts

	Period ended 30 June		
	2019	2018	
	Unaudited	Unaudited	
	USD	USD	
Change in Fair Value for the Period	640,897	(449,497)	
	As at		
	30 June 2019	31 December 2018	
	Unaudited	Audited	
	USD	USD	
Commodity Contracts at Fair Value	10,910,806	11,266,989	

As at 30 June 2019, there were certain Commodity Contracts awaiting settlement in respect of the creation or redemption of Swiss Franc Currency-Hedged Commodity Securities with transaction dates before the period end and settlement dates in the following period:

• The amount receivable on Commodity Contracts as a result of unsettled redemptions of Swiss Franc Currency-Hedged Commodity Securities is USD 47,926 (31 December 2018: USD Nil).

# 4. Swiss Franc Currency-Hedged Commodity Securities

	Period ended 30 June	
	2019	2018
	Unaudited	Unaudited
	USD	USD
Change in Fair Value for the Period	(628,259)	357,995
	As	s at
	30 June 2019	31 December 2018
	Unaudited	Audited
	USD	USD
Swiss Franc Currency-Hedged Commodity Securities at		
Fair Value	10,933,219	11,302,039

As at 30 June 2019, there were certain Swiss Franc Currency-Hedged Commodity Securities awaiting settlement in respect of creations or redemptions with transaction dates before the period end and settlement dates in the following period:

• The amount payable as a result of unsettled redemptions of Swiss Franc Currency-Hedged Commodity Securities is USD 47,926 (31 December 2018: USD Nil).

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# 5. Adjustment from Market Value to Contractual Value of Swiss Franc Currency-Hedged Commodity Securities

The Commodity Contracts are priced by reference to the product of currency-hedged commodity indices calculated and published by Bloomberg L.P. or Bloomberg Finance L.P. (together "Bloomberg") and a multiplier calculated by the Company and agreed with the Commodity Contract Counterparties. The multiplier takes into account the daily accrual of the management fee and licence allowance and swap spread as well as the incremental capital enhancement component of the Swiss Franc Currency-Hedged Commodity Security, and is the same across all Swiss Franc Currency-Hedged Commodity Securities of the same type (i.e. all Classic Swiss Franc Currency-Hedged Commodity Securities use the same multiplier). This price is calculated based on the formula set out in the Prospectus, and is referred to as the 'Contractual Value'.

The Company measures the Currency Securities at their market value than their Contractual Value (as described in the Prospectus) because IFRS 13 requires the Company to identify the principal market and to utilise the available market price within that principal market. The directors consider that the stock exchanges where the Swiss Franc Currency-Hedged Commodity Securities are listed to be the principal market and as a result the fair value of the Swiss Franc Currency-Hedged Commodity Securities is the onexchange price as quoted on those stock exchanges demonstrating active trading. The Swiss Franc Currency-Hedged Commodity Securities are priced using the closing mid-market price on the Statement of Financial Position date.

Consequently a difference arises between the value of Commodity Contracts (at Contractual Value) and Swiss Franc Currency-Hedged Commodity Securities (at market value) presented in the Condensed Statement of Financial Position. This difference is reversed on a subsequent redemption of the Swiss Franc Currency-Hedged Commodity Securities and cancellation of the corresponding Commodity Contracts.

Whilst the Swiss Franc Currency-Hedged Commodity Securities are quoted on the open market, the Company's liability relates to its contractual obligations to issue and redeem Swiss Franc Currency-Hedged Commodity Securities at set prices on each trading day. These prices are based on an agreed formula, and are equal to the published net asset values ("NAV") of each class of Swiss Franc Currency-Hedged Commodity Security. Therefore, the actual contractual issue and redemption of Swiss Franc Currency-Hedged Commodity Securities occur at a price that corresponds to gains or losses on the Commodity Contracts. As a result the Company has no net exposure to gains or losses on the Swiss Franc Currency-Hedged Commodity Securities and Commodity Contracts.

The contractual redemption values and movements in unrealised gains/losses during the period/year based on the Contractual Values are:

	As at	
	30 June 2019	31 December 2018
	Unaudited	Audited
	USD	USD
Swiss Franc Currency-Hedged Commodity Securities at		
Contractual Value	10,910,806	11,266,989
	Period end	ded 30 June
	2019	2018
	Unaudited	Unaudited
	USD	USD
Change in Contractual Value of Swiss Franc Currency-		
Hedged Commodity Securities	(640,897)	449,497

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# 5. Adjustment from Market Value to Contractual Value of Swiss Franc Currency-Hedged Commodity Securities (continued)

Through the mis-matched accounting values, the results of the Company reflect a gain or loss which represents the movement in the cumulative difference between the agreed Contractual Value (based on the formula set out in the prospectus) of the Commodity Contracts and the market price of Swiss Franc Currency-Hedged Commodity Securities. This gain or loss is transferred to a Revaluation Reserve which is non-distributable. The results of the Company are adjusted through the presentation of a non-statutory movement entitled 'Adjustment from Market Value to Contractual Value (as set out in the Prospectus) of Swiss Franc Currency-Hedged Commodity Securities'.

The mismatched accounting values are as shown below and represent the non-statutory adjustment presented in the Condensed Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income:

	Period ended 30 June	
	2019 Unaudited	2018 Unaudited
	USD	USD
Net Gain/(Loss) Arising on Contractual and Fair Value of		
Commodity Contracts	640,897	(449,497)
Net (Loss)/Gain Arising on Fair Value of Swiss Franc		
Currency-Hedged Commodity Securities	(628,259)	357,995
	12,638	(91,502)

The gain or loss on the difference between the Contractual Value of the Commodity Contracts and the market price of Swiss Franc Currency-Hedged Commodity Securities would be reversed on a subsequent redemption of the Swiss Franc Currency-Hedged Commodity Securities and cancellation of the corresponding Commodity Contracts.

This gain or loss is transferred to a Revaluation Reserve which is non-distributable and a reconciliation of the movements throughout the period/year is detailed below.

	2019 Unaudited USD	2018 Audited USD
Balance brought forward at 1 January	(35,050)	130,080
Adjustment from Market Value to Contractual Value (as set out in the Prospectus) of Currency-Hedged Commodity Securities:		
Period 1 January to 30 June	12,638	(91,502)
Period 1 July to 31 December	-	(73,628)
	12,638	(165,130)
Closing balance at 30 June / 31 December	(22,412)	(35,050)

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# 6. Fair Value Hierarchy

The levels in the hierarchy are defined as follows:

- Level 1 fair value based on quoted prices in active markets for identical assets.
- Level 2 fair values based on valuation techniques using observable inputs other than quoted prices within level 1.
- Level 3 fair values based on valuation techniques using inputs that are not based on observable market data.

Categorisation within the hierarchy is determined on the basis of the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement of each relevant asset/liability.

The Company is required to utilise the available market price as the Swiss Franc Currency-Hedged Commodity Securities are quoted and actively traded on the open market. Therefore Swiss Franc Currency-Hedged Commodity Securities are classified as level 1 financial liabilities.

The Company's rights in respect of Commodity Contracts relate to its contractual obligations to issue and redeem Swiss Franc Currency-Hedged Commodity Securities at set prices on each trading day. These prices are based on an agreed formula (set out in the Prospectus), and are equal to the published NAVs of each class of Swiss Franc Currency-Hedged Commodity Security. Therefore, Commodity Contracts are classified as level 2 financial assets, as the value is calculated using third party pricing sources supported by observable, verifiable inputs.

The categorisation of the Company's assets and (liabilities) are as shown below:

	Period ended 30 June 2019 Unaudited USD	Year ended 31 December 2018 Audited USD
Level 1		
Swiss Franc Currency-Hedged Commodity Securities	(10,933,219)	(11,302,039)
	Period ended 30 June 2019	Year ended 31 December 2018
	Unaudited	Audited
	USD	USD
Level 2		
Commodity Contracts	10,910,806	11,266,989

The Swiss Franc Currency-Hedged Commodity Securities and the Swiss Franc Currency-Hedged Commodity Contracts are recognised at fair value through profit or loss upon initial recognition in line with the Company's accounting policy. There are no assets or liabilities classified in level 3. There were no reclassifications during the year.

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# 7. Related Party Disclosures

ManJer Fees

Entities and individuals which have a significant influence over the Company, either through ownership or by virtue of being a director of the Company, are related parties.

Fees charged by ManJer during the period:

	Period end	Period ended 30 June	
	2019	2018	
	Unaudited	Unaudited	
	USD	USD	
ManJer Fees	29,225	67,757	
The following balance was due to ManJer at the period/y	par and:		
The following balance was due to marker at the periodry	ear end.		
The following balance was due to mander at the periodity		s at	
The following balance was due to mander at the period/y		s at 31 December 2018	
The following balance was due to mander at the period/y	As		

At 30 June 2019, USD 3 is receivable from ManJer (31 December 2018: USD 3).

As disclosed in the Directors' Report, ManJer paid directors' fees in respect of the Company of GBP 8,000 (30 June 2018: GBP 5,750).

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Hilary Jones and Steven Ross are directors of R&H Fund Services (Jersey) Limited ("R&H"), the administrator. During the period, R&H charged ManJer administration fees in respect of the Company of GBP 15,000 (30 June 2018: GBP 12,250), of which GBP 7,500 (30 June 2018: GBP 7,500) was outstanding at the period end.

# 8. Events Occurring After the Reporting Period

There have been no significant events since the reporting period that require disclosure.

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