Janus International Equity ADR Managed Account



Performance Discussion

The Portfolio underperformed its benchmarks. After beginning the quarter cautiously, global stocks rallied after the election of Donald Trump to the U.S. presidency on the expectation that the new administration would champion pro-growth initiatives. Our consumer discretionary and information technology holdings weighed on relative performance, while stock selection in health care zero weighting to real estate contributed.

Financial firms globally tended to benefit from subtle monetary policy shifts in their respective regions. Indeed, our underperformance was largely due to our underweight allocation to the sector, and a number of our financials stocks were leading absolute contributors. The Bank of Japan committed to pegging the yield on the 10-year benchmark note at roughly 0%. While still low, the reprieve boosted sentiment toward Mitsubishi UFJ Financial, the leading contributor during the quarter. In Europe, the ECB's decision to lower its bond purchases by 20 billion euros starting in April signaled that their monetary largesse was not endless. This allowed the region's hard-hit banking sector to rally, including France's BNP Paribas, another leading contributor to quarterly performance.

Some financials holdings underperformed. Insurer AIA Group weighed on performance despite having released a solid earnings report early in the period. The company's strong balance sheet and steady earnings make many view its stock as a safe harbor during volatile markets, and the stock underperformed due to the quarter's "risk-on" mindset.

Diageo was another leading detractor. The spirits company was caught up in the general weakness of the consumer staples sector. However, the company had strong monthly sales during the quarter and we continue to like the stock. We maintained a position during the quarter.



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Executive Summary

- The Portfolio underperformed its benchmarks during the quarter.
- AIA Group was the largest individual detractor from performance.
- Mitsubishi UFJ Financial contributed to performance.

Representative Account Top Contributors and Detractors for the Quarter Ended 12/31/16

Top Contributors	Ending Weight (%)	Contribution (%)	Top Detractors	Ending Weight (%)	Contribution (%)
Mitsubishi UFJ Financial Group Inc (ADR)	4.19	0.71	AIA Group Ltd (ADR)	3.67	-0.71
BNP Paribas SA (ADR)	2.84	0.48	Sony Corp (ADR)	2.86	-0.46
TOTAL SA (ADR)	4.73	0.34	Nippon Telegraph & Telephone Corp (ADR)	5.03	-0.42
Ryanair Holdings PLC (ADR)	2.47	0.31	Diageo PLC (ADR)	2.75	-0.40
ING Groep NV (ADR)	2.61	0.29	Essilor International SA (ADR)	2.75	-0.37

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Discussion is based on performance gross of fees and expenses.

Information relating to portfolio holdings is based on the representative account in the composite and may vary for other accounts in the strategy due to asset size, client guidelines and other factors. The representative account is believed to most closely reflect the current portfolio management style.

As of 12/31/16 the top ten portfolio holdings of the Representative Account are: Nippon Telegraph & Telephone Corp (ADR) (4.86%), TOTAL SA (ADR) (4.56%), Mitsubishi UFJ Financial Group Inc (ADR) (4.04%), Geberit AG (ADR) (3.66%), AIA Group Ltd (ADR) (3.54%), ABB Ltd (ADR) (3.38%), Sanofi (ADR) (3.04%), FANUC Corp (ADR) (2.79%), Sony Corp (ADR) (2.76%) and BNP Paribas SA (ADR) (2.74%). There are no assurances that any Janus portfolio currently holds these securities or other securities mentioned in this commentary.

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