

RIO PLATINUM ACCOUNT GBP

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MANAGER COMMENT

The RIO Platinum Account (GBP) has posted a gain of 2.94% in February. This has added to the year's positive start, up 3.88% in just two months. The Account continues to benefit from active trading, and the trading system utilized continues to minimise the potential loss, whilst maximizing the potential return for those invested.

To date, this investment has significantly outperformed its benchmark return, generating 62.53% since its launch in March 2016. To put this into perspective, had those invested in physical platinum, which had not been actively traded over the same period, the return produced would have resulted in a loss of 1.23%. These figures underline the benefit of investing in an actively traded investment product such as this. I had already set a sell order at £650 an ounce, the position to sell 15% of the metal held by the Account. This order was duly filled and the trade was closed in profit on 7th February, adding to the profits.

RIO's active trading of the metal clearly demonstrates the advantage of the investment strategy, and also underlines the shortcomings of the more common, but outdated, buy and hold strategies. My comment is that the additional work of an active management strategy may take far more effort but this, in turn, is reflected in the returns generated.

As for potential returns, as I have highlighted, platinum currently remains oversold and under bought. Accordingly, there is an additional upside potential in the short term. However the real gains are to be had from any further rumour of a trade deal between the US and China, which will almost certainly push the metal higher, although contrary negative news would obviously push prices lower. I believe both sides are getting closer to an agreement. A deal is there to be done and, as such, profits are likely for those invested in platinum.

INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

To provide a secure alternative to that offered by the lacklustre industry standard platinum bullion investment products or funds. The Platinum Account holds 100% of its Bullion assets in unencumbered and uncirculated Platinum bars, officially released by several government mints.

To date the Platinum Account has achieved its target and since launch it has outperformed the statistical return of physical platinum. Statistical analysis confirms that platinum can be used within investment portfolios to protect global purchasing power, today this is very pertinent given that several governments are employing policies which ultimately target a devaluation of their individual currencies. As this global currency war has escalated there has been an increased risk of a currency debasement and the fact that platinum can offer protection from this event is very attractive in itself. Platinum has also historically been valued higher than gold, although not the case currently, this obviously gives provides potential for further upside.

Precious metals, including platinum, are often produced in emerging market countries, with demand coming principally from industrialised nations. The political and economic situation is, however, far less stable in many emerging market countries than in the developed world. They are generally much more susceptible to the risks of rapid political change and economic setbacks which affect precious metal prices and again provides scope for a strong upside.

INVESTMENT MANAGER

RIO's Investment Manager has vast experience having designed, launched and managed several Government licensed mutual funds over the past two decades. He has actively traded stocks, bonds, currencies and commodities with some degree of accuracy.

He has a proven track record combined with all the advantages of an experienced multi asset fund manager.

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

This document is not an offer of investment. Subscriptions for shares in the RIO Platinum Account can only be made on the basis of the current prospectus and The RIO Club operates strictly on a referral only basis.

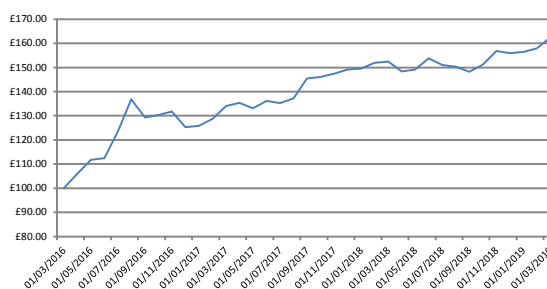
Past performance is not a guide to future performance and there can be no assurance that the RIO Platinum Accounts objective(s) will be met. The value of investments and the income from them can fall as well as rise and is not guaranteed. Investors may not get back the full amount invested.

Changes in the rates of exchange between currencies may cause the value of investments to diminish or increase. Current tax levels and reliefs may change and depending on individual circumstances this may affect the investment return. For further information please refer to the fund prospectus and terms and conditions.

INFORMATION

NAV	£162.53
Investment Manager	William Gray
Launch Date	March 2016
Currency	UK Sterling
Minimum Investment	30,000
Initial Charge	500
Annual Management Fee	1.00%
Administration Fee	1.00%
Dealing Frequency	Monthly

PERFORMANCE



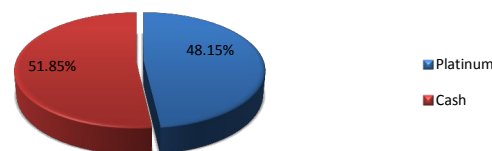
PERFORMANCE COMPARISON

	PLATINUM BULLION	RIO PLATINUM
1 Month	5.06	2.94
3 Month	4.51	4.24
6 Month	8.18	9.62
1 Year	-6.94	6.61
2 Years	-20.79	26.27
YTD	5.73	3.88
Since Launch	-1.23	62.53

MONTHLY PERFORMANCE

	2016	2017	2018	2019
January		2.31	1.60	0.91
February		4.10	0.36	2.94
March	5.88	1.02	-2.66	
April	5.56	-1.63	0.51	
May	0.54	2.24	3.10	
June	9.86	-0.68	-1.82	
July	10.80	1.53	-0.45	
August	-5.51	5.96	-1.35	
September	0.85	0.48	1.91	
October	1.08	0.92	3.81	
November	-4.90	1.17	-0.60	
December	0.46	0.24	0.35	

ASSET ALLOCATION



PLATINUM PRICE COMPARISON

