

## **Important Tax Notice to U.S. Unitholders**

This statement is provided to unitholders who are United States persons for purposes of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended ("IRC") and the regulations thereunder. It is not relevant to other unitholders.

Russell Investments Balanced Class (the "Fund") may be deemed to be classified as a Passive Foreign Investment Company ("PFIC") as defined in Section 1297(a) of the IRC for the year ending December 31, 2024 and thus, its unitholders are unitholders of the PFIC.

We recommend that all U.S. taxpayer clients consult a tax advisor concerning the overall tax consequences of their ownership of units of the Fund and their U.S. tax reporting requirements. You can also find information on U.S. tax rules applicable to investments in a PFIC on the IRS website, www.irs.gov, by searching "Form 8621 Instructions".

Please find below a PFIC Annual Information Statement ("AIS") for the Fund. The PFIC AIS is being provided pursuant to the requirements of Treasury Regulation §1.1295-1(g)(1). The PFIC AIS contains information to enable you, should you so choose based on the advice of your tax advisor in light of your personal tax circumstances, to elect to treat the Fund as a qualified electing fund ("QEF").

Generally, an election is filed for each mutual fund for which you wish to make a QEF election. If you hold units of the Fund and the Fund holds units of one or more underlying mutual funds, you will receive a combined PFIC AIS containing information that will enable you to elect to treat any or all of the funds as a QEF as you choose, as well as information relating to your units and values in your indirect holdings.

Please be aware that cash and property distributions reported on the PFIC AIS are converted into U.S. dollars based on the U.S. Federal Reserve spot rate in effect on the date the distribution is paid. We recommend that clients who do not file U.S. federal income tax returns on a cash basis consult their tax advisors regarding the appropriate U.S. dollar conversion rate.

Note that the information attached with this letter is intended to help you make one or more QEF elections, if you decide to do so, and neither such information nor this letter constitutes tax advice. The taxpayer should seek advice based on their particular circumstances from an independent tax advisor.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact your advisor, a U.S. tax advisor or Client Relations at www.russell.com. Thank you for investing in Russell Investments Canada Limited.



## Russell Investments Balanced Class PFIC Annual Information Statement For the Year Ending December 31, 2024

- 1) This Information Statement applies to the taxable year of the Fund for the year beginning January 1, 2024 and ending on December 31, 2024.
- 2) Your pro-rata per share amounts of ordinary earnings and net capital gains for each Series of the Fund for the period specified in paragraph (1) are as follows:

Series	Ordinary Earnings (US\$)	<b>Net Capital Gains (US\$)</b>
Series B	0.252828	0.246138
Series B6	0.728333	0.709060
Series E	0.217545	0.211789
Series F	0.309747	0.301550
Series F6	0.887064	0.869260

To determine your pro-rata share of the amounts above, multiply the amounts by the number of units of each Series you held during the year.

- i. If you owned the same number of units from January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024, multiply the number of such units by the amounts above.
- ii. If you did not own the same number of units from January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024, multiply the number of units you owned by the amounts above as well as by the number of days the units were held in 2024 and divide the result by 366.
- 3) Your pro-rata share of cash distributions <sup>1</sup> and property distributions for each Series of the Fund for the period specified in paragraph (1) are as follows: <sup>2</sup>

Series	<b>Property Distributions (US\$)</b>	Cash Distributions (US\$)
Series B	0.037270	0.000000
Series B6	1.908266	0.000000
Series E	0.029287	0.000000
Series F	0.046286	0.000000
Series F6	2.284808	0.000000

To determine your pro-rata share of the amounts above, multiply the amounts by the number of units of each Series you held during the year.

i. If you owned the same number of units from January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024, multiply the number of such units by the amounts above.

Cash distributions only represent distributions in U.S. currency. Distributions in Canadian currency are reported as property distributions for U.S. tax purposes.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> All amounts are reported in U.S. dollars. Distributions represent average distributions that are not reinvested in the fund. If you have elected to reinvest your distributions, the above amount may not be reflective of the actual distribution amount you received during the year. If you have made a QEF election, your basis in your fund units is based on your investment in the fund before the election, plus your share of ordinary earnings and/or net capital gains less the actual distributions you have received during the year. You should consult your U.S. tax advisor to determine your basis in the fund units during the year.



- ii. If you did not own same number of units from January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024, multiply the number of units you owned by the amounts above as well by the number of days the units were held in 2024 and divide the result by 366.
- 4) Please note that for reporting purposes you may need to separately report your pro-rata share of income and prorata distribution of cash and property distribution from the Fund and for each underlying fund. Information below is intended to provide this information. Please consult your tax advisor.

Your pro-rata share of ordinary earnings and net capital gains for each Series of the Fund and its underlying funds for the period specified in paragraph (1) are as follows:

	Ordinary Earnings (US\$)	Net Capital Gains (US\$)	Year End
Series B			
Russell Investments Balanced Class	0.000000	0.000000	2024-12-31
Russell Investments Canadian Fixed Income Fund - Series B	0.105751	0.000000	2024-12-31
Russell Investments Emerging Markets Equity Pool - Series O	0.010682	0.010864	2024-12-31
Russell Investments Global Equity Pool - Series O	0.067763	0.112628	2024-12-31
Russell Investments Global Infrastructure Pool - Series O	0.001952	0.006658	2024-12-31
Russell Investments Global Real Estate Pool - Series O	0.004347	0.002065	2024-12-31
Russell Investments Global Smaller Companies Pool - Series O	0.008670	0.011556	2024-12-31
Russell Investments Inflation Linked Bond Fund - Series O	0.000000	0.000000	2024-12-31
Russell Investments Multi-Factor Canadian Equity Pool - Series O	0.038880	0.046265	2024-12-31
Russell Investments Multi-Factor International Equity Pool - Series O	0.009283	0.011700	2024-12-31
Russell Investments Multi-factor US Equity Pool - Series O	0.005502	0.036510	2024-12-31
Russell Investments Strategic Income Pool - Series O	0.000000	0.007893	2024-12-31
Total	0.252828	0.246138	
Series B6			
Russell Investments Balanced Class	0.000000	0.000000	2024-12-31
Russell Investments Canadian Fixed Income Fund - Series B	0.304642	0.000000	2024-12-31
Russell Investments Emerging Markets Equity Pool - Series O	0.030772	0.031297	2024-12-31
Russell Investments Global Equity Pool - Series O	0.195207	0.324451	2024-12-31
Russell Investments Global Infrastructure Pool - Series O	0.005622	0.019181	2024-12-31
Russell Investments Global Real Estate Pool - Series O	0.012521	0.005948	2024-12-31
Russell Investments Global Smaller Companies Pool - Series O	0.024975	0.033289	2024-12-31
Russell Investments Inflation Linked Bond Fund - Series O	0.000000	0.000000	2024-12-31
Russell Investments Multi-Factor Canadian Equity Pool - Series O	0.112002	0.133276	2024-12-31
Russell Investments Multi-Factor International Equity Pool - Series O	0.026741	0.033706	2024-12-31
Russell Investments Multi-factor US Equity Pool - Series O	0.015849	0.105175	2024-12-31
Russell Investments Strategic Income Pool - Series O	0.000000	0.022738	2024-12-31
Total	0.728333	0.709060	
Series E			
Russell Investments Balanced Class	0.000000	0.000000	2024-12-31
Russell Investments Canadian Fixed Income Fund - Series B	0.090993	0.000000	2024-12-31
Russell Investments Emerging Markets Equity Pool - Series O	0.009191	0.009348	2024-12-31
Russell Investments Global Equity Pool - Series O	0.058306	0.096910	2024-12-31
Russell Investments Global Infrastructure Pool - Series O	0.001679	0.005729	2024-12-31
Russell Investments Global Real Estate Pool - Series O	0.003740	0.001777	2024-12-31
Russell Investments Global Smaller Companies Pool - Series O	0.007460	0.009943	2024-12-31
Russell Investments Inflation Linked Bond Fund - Series O	0.000000	0.000000	2024-12-31
Russell Investments Multi-Factor Canadian Equity Pool - Series O	0.033454	0.039808	2024-12-31
Russell Investments Multi-Factor International Equity Pool - Series O	0.007987	0.010068	2024-12-31
Russell Investments Multi-factor US Equity Pool - Series O	0.004734	0.031415	2024-12-31
Russell Investments Strategic Income Pool - Series O	0.000000	0.006792	2024-12-31
Total	0.217545	0.211789	
Series F			
Russell Investments Balanced Class	0.000000	0.000000	2024-12-31
Russell Investments Canadian Fixed Income Fund - Series B	0.129559	0.000000	2024-12-31
Russell Investments Emerging Markets Equity Pool - Series O	0.013087	0.013310	2024-12-31



	Ordinary Earnings (US\$)	Net Capital Gains (US\$)	Year End
Russell Investments Global Equity Pool - Series O	0.083018	0.137983	2024-12-31
Russell Investments Global Infrastructure Pool - Series O	0.002391	0.008157	2024-12-31
Russell Investments Global Real Estate Pool - Series O	0.005325	0.002530	2024-12-31
Russell Investments Global Smaller Companies Pool - Series O	0.010622	0.014157	2024-12-31
Russell Investments Inflation Linked Bond Fund - Series O	0.000000	0.000000	2024-12-31
Russell Investments Multi-Factor Canadian Equity Pool - Series O	0.047633	0.056680	2024-12-31
Russell Investments Multi-Factor International Equity Pool - Series O	0.011373	0.014335	2024-12-31
Russell Investments Multi-factor US Equity Pool - Series O	0.006740	0.044729	2024-12-31
Russell Investments Strategic Income Pool - Series O	0.000000	0.009670	2024-12-31
Total	0.309747	0.301550	
Series F6			
Russell Investments Balanced Class	0.000000	0.005668	2024-12-31
Russell Investments Canadian Fixed Income Fund - Series B	0.371035	0.000000	2024-12-31
Russell Investments Emerging Markets Equity Pool - Series O	0.037478	0.038118	2024-12-31
Russell Investments Global Equity Pool - Series O	0.237750	0.395161	2024-12-31
Russell Investments Global Infrastructure Pool - Series O	0.006848	0.023361	2024-12-31
Russell Investments Global Real Estate Pool - Series O	0.015250	0.007244	2024-12-31
Russell Investments Global Smaller Companies Pool - Series O	0.030418	0.040544	2024-12-31
Russell Investments Inflation Linked Bond Fund - Series O	0.000000	0.000000	2024-12-31
Russell Investments Multi-Factor Canadian Equity Pool - Series O	0.136412	0.162322	2024-12-31
Russell Investments Multi-Factor International Equity Pool - Series O	0.032569	0.041052	2024-12-31
Russell Investments Multi-factor US Equity Pool - Series O	0.019303	0.128096	2024-12-31
Russell Investments Strategic Income Pool - Series O	0.000000	0.027694	2024-12-31
Total	0.887064	0.869260	

Your pro-rata share of cash distributions and property distributions received from underlying Funds for each Series of the Funds for the period specified in paragraph (1) are as follows:

	<b>Property Distributions (US\$)</b>	Cash Distributions (US\$)
Series B		
Russell Investments Canadian Fixed Income Fund - Series B	0.000000	0.000000
Russell Investments Emerging Markets Equity Pool - Series O	0.014398	0.000000
Russell Investments Global Equity Pool - Series O	0.067254	0.000000
Russell Investments Global Infrastructure Pool - Series O	0.012137	0.000000
Russell Investments Global Real Estate Pool - Series O	0.008304	0.000000
Russell Investments Global Smaller Companies Pool - Series O	0.008659	0.000000
Russell Investments Inflation Linked Bond Fund - Series O	0.000000	0.000000
Russell Investments Multi-Factor Canadian Equity Pool - Series O	0.052797	0.000000
Russell Investments Multi-Factor International Equity Pool - Series O	0.009272	0.000000
Russell Investments Multi-factor US Equity Pool - Series O	0.009768	0.000000
Russell Investments Strategic Income Pool - Series O	0.078424	0.000000
Series B6		
Russell Investments Canadian Fixed Income Fund - Series B	0.000000	0.000000
Russell Investments Emerging Markets Equity Pool - Series O	0.041477	0.000000
Russell Investments Global Equity Pool - Series O	0.193741	0.000000
Russell Investments Global Infrastructure Pool - Series O	0.034965	0.000000
Russell Investments Global Real Estate Pool - Series O	0.023920	0.000000
Russell Investments Global Smaller Companies Pool - Series O	0.024945	0.000000
Russell Investments Inflation Linked Bond Fund - Series O	0.000000	0.000000
Russell Investments Multi-Factor Canadian Equity Pool - Series O	0.152094	0.000000
Russell Investments Multi-Factor International Equity Pool - Series O	0.026711	0.000000
Russell Investments Multi-factor US Equity Pool - Series O	0.028138	0.000000
Russell Investments Strategic Income Pool - Series O	0.225919	0.000000
Series E		
Russell Investments Canadian Fixed Income Fund - Series B	0.000000	0.000000
Russell Investments Emerging Markets Equity Pool - Series O	0.012389	0.000000
Russell Investments Global Equity Pool - Series O	0.057868	0.000000



	<b>Property Distributions (US\$)</b>	Cash Distributions (US\$)
Russell Investments Global Infrastructure Pool - Series O	0.010444	0.000000
Russell Investments Global Real Estate Pool - Series O	0.007145	0.000000
Russell Investments Global Smaller Companies Pool - Series O	0.007451	0.000000
Russell Investments Inflation Linked Bond Fund - Series O	0.000000	0.000000
Russell Investments Multi-Factor Canadian Equity Pool - Series O	0.045429	0.000000
Russell Investments Multi-Factor International Equity Pool - Series O	0.007978	0.000000
Russell Investments Multi-factor US Equity Pool - Series O	0.008405	0.000000
Russell Investments Strategic Income Pool - Series O	0.067479	0.000000
Series F		
Russell Investments Canadian Fixed Income Fund - Series B	0.000000	0.000000
Russell Investments Emerging Markets Equity Pool - Series O	0.017639	0.000000
Russell Investments Global Equity Pool - Series O	0.082394	0.000000
Russell Investments Global Infrastructure Pool - Series O	0.014870	0.000000
Russell Investments Global Real Estate Pool - Series O	0.010173	0.000000
Russell Investments Global Smaller Companies Pool - Series O	0.010608	0.000000
Russell Investments Inflation Linked Bond Fund - Series O	0.000000	0.000000
Russell Investments Multi-Factor Canadian Equity Pool - Series O	0.064683	0.000000
Russell Investments Multi-Factor International Equity Pool - Series O	0.011360	0.000000
Russell Investments Multi-factor US Equity Pool - Series O	0.011967	0.000000
Russell Investments Strategic Income Pool - Series O	0.096079	0.000000
Series F6		
Russell Investments Canadian Fixed Income Fund - Series B	0.000000	0.000000
Russell Investments Emerging Markets Equity Pool - Series O	0.050516	0.000000
Russell Investments Global Equity Pool - Series O	0.235964	0.000000
Russell Investments Global Infrastructure Pool - Series O	0.042585	0.000000
Russell Investments Global Real Estate Pool - Series O	0.029134	0.000000
Russell Investments Global Smaller Companies Pool - Series O	0.030381	0.000000
Russell Investments Inflation Linked Bond Fund - Series O	0.000000	0.000000
Russell Investments Multi-Factor Canadian Equity Pool - Series O	0.185241	0.000000
Russell Investments Multi-Factor International Equity Pool - Series O	0.032532	0.000000
Russell Investments Multi-factor US Equity Pool - Series O	0.034270	0.000000
Russell Investments Strategic Income Pool - Series O	0.275155	0.000000

5) The Fund will, upon receipt of a request, permit you to inspect and copy its permanent books of account, records, and other such documents as may be maintained by the Fund that are necessary to establish its ordinary earnings and net capital gains are computed in accordance with U.S. income tax principles under IRC Section 1293 and to verify these amounts and your pro-rata share thereof.<sup>3</sup>

"Corbin Tsen"

By: Corbin Tsen

Title: Chief Financial Officer

Date: March 31, 2025

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The per unit amount of ordinary earnings and net capital gains for each Series of the Fund for the period are calculated under U.S. tax principles and may not be reflective of the per unit Canadian dollar amounts reported in your fund account statement.



THIS INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN IS TAKEN FROM THE AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF THE VARIOUS RUSSEL INVESTMENT FUNDS AND IS PROVIDED IN ORDER TO ASSIST UNITHOLDERS IN MAKING CALCULATIONS AND DOES NOT CONSTITUTE TAX ADVICE. COPIES OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS ARE AVAILABLE AT <a href="https://www.russellinvestments.com">www.russellinvestments.com</a>. UNITHOLDERS ARE ADVISED TO CONSULT THEIR OWN TAX ADVISORS CONCERNING THE OVERALL TAX CONSEQUENCES OF THE OWNERSHIP OF UNITS ARISING IN THEIR OWN PARTICULAR SITUATIONS UNDER UNITED STATES FEDERAL, STATE, LOCAL OR FOREIGN LAW.