

PIMCO INCOME STRATEGY FUND
Form N-Q
December 28, 2015

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM N-Q

**QUARTERLY SCHEDULE OF PORTFOLIO HOLDINGS OF REGISTERED
MANAGEMENT INVESTMENT COMPANY**

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| Investment Company Act File Number: | 811-21374 |
| Registrant Name: | PIMCO Income Strategy Fund |
| Address of Principal Executive Offices: | 1633 Broadway New York, NY 10019 |
| Name and Address of Agent for Service: | William G. Galipeau 650 Newport Center Drive Newport Beach, CA 92660 |
| Registrant's telephone number, including area code: | (844) 337-4626 |
| Date of Fiscal Year End: | July 31 |
| Date of Reporting Period: | October 31, 2015 |

Item 1. Schedule of Investments

Schedule of Investments

PIMCO Income Strategy Fund

October 31, 2015 (Unaudited)

| | PRINCIPAL AMOUNT (000s) | MARKET VALUE (000s) |
|---|-------------------------------|---------------------------|
| INVESTMENTS IN SECURITIES 124.2% | | |
| BANK LOAN OBLIGATIONS 1.9% | | |
| Concordia Healthcare Corp. | | |
| 5.250% due 10/20/2021 | \$ 600 | \$ 579 |
| iHeartCommunications, Inc. | | |
| 6.938% due 01/30/2019 | 3,100 | 2,605 |
| Sequa Corp. | | |
| 5.250% due 06/19/2017 | 2,541 | 2,121 |
| Total Bank Loan Obligations (Cost \$5,779) | | 5,305 |
| CORPORATE BONDS & NOTES 60.5% | | |
| BANKING & FINANCE 35.0% | | |
| American International Group, Inc. | | |
| 6.250% due 03/15/2087 (g) | 5,476 | 5,996 |
| 8.175% due 05/15/2068 | 693 | 916 |
| Banco do Brasil S.A. | | |
| 6.250% due 04/15/2024 (d) | 900 | 486 |
| 9.000% due 06/18/2024 (d) | 4,000 | 2,780 |
| Banco Santander S.A. | | |
| 6.250% due 09/11/2021 (d) | EUR 500 | 532 |
| Barclays Bank PLC | | |
| 14.000% due 06/15/2019 (d) | GBP 3,700 | 7,409 |
| BGC Partners, Inc. | | |
| 5.375% due 12/09/2019 | \$ 3,040 | 3,183 |
| BNP Paribas S.A. | | |
| 7.375% due 08/19/2025 (d) | 3,100 | 3,212 |
| Cantor Fitzgerald LP | | |
| 6.500% due 06/17/2022 (g) | 4,000 | 4,195 |
| Citigroup, Inc. | | |
| 5.950% due 05/15/2025 (d) | 2,100 | 2,029 |
| Co-operative Group Holdings Ltd. | | |
| 7.500% due 07/08/2026 | GBP 3,050 | 5,061 |
| Communications Sales & Leasing, Inc. | | |
| 8.250% due 10/15/2023 | \$ 1,500 | 1,394 |
| Credit Agricole S.A. | | |
| 6.500% due 06/23/2021 (d) | EUR 200 | 222 |

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| 7.500% due 06/23/2026 (d) | GBP | 1,600 | 2,430 |
| 7.875% due 01/23/2024 (d) | \$ | 1,500 | 1,542 |
| GSPA Monetization Trust | | | |
| 6.422% due 10/09/2029 | | 2,372 | 2,692 |
| Jefferies Finance LLC | | | |
| 6.875% due 04/15/2022 | | 3,800 | 3,591 |
| LBG Capital PLC | | | |
| 9.125% due 07/15/2020 | GBP | 1,134 | 1,879 |
| Lloyds Bank PLC | | | |
| 12.000% due 12/16/2024 (d) | \$ | 400 | 578 |
| Lloyds Banking Group PLC | | | |
| 7.625% due 06/27/2023 (d) | GBP | 3,600 | 5,862 |
| Millennium Offshore Services Superholdings LLC | | | |
| 9.500% due 02/15/2018 | \$ | 2,100 | 1,911 |
| National Bank of Greece S.A. | | | |
| 3.875% due 10/07/2016 | EUR | 400 | 424 |
| Navient Corp. | | | |
| 5.500% due 01/15/2019 | \$ | 6,700 | 6,675 |
| 5.625% due 08/01/2033 | | 100 | 74 |
| 8.450% due 06/15/2018 | | 1,500 | 1,612 |
| Novo Banco S.A. | | | |
| 2.625% due 05/08/2017 | EUR | 900 | 922 |
| 4.000% due 01/21/2019 | | 1,700 | 1,721 |
| 4.750% due 01/15/2018 | | 1,200 | 1,235 |
| 5.000% due 04/04/2019 | | 101 | 102 |
| 5.000% due 04/23/2019 | | 311 | 314 |
| 5.000% due 05/14/2019 | | 206 | 207 |
| 5.000% due 05/21/2019 | | 115 | 115 |
| 5.000% due 05/23/2019 | | 115 | 117 |
| 5.875% due 11/09/2015 | | 900 | 989 |
| OneMain Financial Holdings, Inc. | | | |
| 7.250% due 12/15/2021 | \$ | 1,512 | 1,584 |
| Rabobank Group | | | |
| 8.400% due 06/29/2017 (d) | | 300 | 326 |
| Rio Oil Finance Trust | | | |
| 6.250% due 07/06/2024 | | 8,200 | 6,785 |
| Sberbank of Russia Via SB Capital S.A. | | | |
| 5.717% due 06/16/2021 | | 3,000 | 3,030 |

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| Tesco Property Finance PLC | | | |
| 5.411% due 07/13/2044 | GBP | 2,174 | 2,946 |
| 6.052% due 10/13/2039 | | 1,284 | 1,905 |
| TIG FinCo PLC | | | |
| 8.500% due 03/02/2020 | | 111 | 180 |
| 8.750% due 04/02/2020 | | 932 | 1,336 |
| Vnesheconombank Via VEB Finance PLC | | | |
| 5.942% due 11/21/2023 | \$ | 1,500 | 1,440 |
| 6.902% due 07/09/2020 | | 5,100 | 5,228 |
| | | | 97,167 |
| INDUSTRIALS 15.8% | | | |
| BMC Software Finance, Inc. | | | |
| 8.125% due 07/15/2021 | | 710 | 552 |
| Boxer Parent Co., Inc. (9.000% Cash or 9.750% PIK) | | | |
| 9.000% due 10/15/2019 (b) | | 2,360 | 1,696 |
| Caesars Entertainment Operating Co., Inc. | | | |
| 9.000% due 02/15/2020 ^ | | 3,855 | 3,122 |
| 11.250% due 06/01/2017 ^ | | 1,600 | 1,276 |
| CCO Safari LLC | | | |
| 6.484% due 10/23/2045 | | 2,979 | 3,097 |
| 6.834% due 10/23/2055 | | 426 | 434 |
| Chesapeake Energy Corp. | | | |
| 3.571% due 04/15/2019 | | 230 | 149 |
| Continental Airlines Pass-Through Trust | | | |
| 9.798% due 10/01/2022 | | 971 | 1,074 |
| Forbes Energy Services Ltd. | | | |
| 9.000% due 06/15/2019 | | 612 | 416 |
| Ford Motor Co. | | | |
| 7.700% due 05/15/2097 (g) | | 9,030 | 11,197 |
| Harvest Operations Corp. | | | |
| 6.875% due 10/01/2017 | | 2,364 | 2,009 |
| iHeartCommunications, Inc. | | | |
| 9.000% due 09/15/2022 | | 600 | 493 |
| Intrepid Aviation Group Holdings LLC | | | |
| 6.875% due 02/15/2019 | | 1,930 | 1,686 |
| Pertamina Persero PT | | | |
| 6.450% due 05/30/2044 | | 5,249 | 4,888 |
| Russian Railways via RZD Capital PLC | | | |
| 7.487% due 03/25/2031 | GBP | 700 | 1,018 |
| Scientific Games International, Inc. | | | |
| 10.000% due 12/01/2022 | \$ | 1,600 | 1,436 |
| Sequa Corp. | | | |
| 7.000% due 12/15/2017 | | 3,804 | 1,931 |
| Tembec Industries, Inc. | | | |
| 9.000% due 12/15/2019 | | 1,000 | 805 |
| Unique Pub Finance Co. PLC | | | |
| 5.659% due 06/30/2027 | GBP | 2,046 | 3,159 |

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| 6.542% due 03/30/2021 | | 701 | 1,127 |
| Westmoreland Coal Co. | | | |
| 8.750% due 01/01/2022 | \$ | 3,026 | 2,338 |
| | | | 43,903 |

UTILITIES 9.7%

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|--|-----|-------|---------|
| AK Transneft OJSC Via TransCapitalInvest Ltd. | | | |
| 8.700% due 08/07/2018 | | 1,700 | 1,885 |
| Frontier Communications Corp. | | | |
| 8.875% due 09/15/2020 | | 210 | 219 |
| 10.500% due 09/15/2022 | | 340 | 354 |
| 11.000% due 09/15/2025 | | 340 | 357 |
| Gazprom Neft OAO Via GPN Capital S.A. | | | |
| 6.000% due 11/27/2023 | | 7,400 | 7,161 |
| Gazprom OAO Via Gaz Capital S.A. | | | |
| 5.999% due 01/23/2021 | | 200 | 203 |
| Illinois Power Generating Co. | | | |
| 6.300% due 04/01/2020 | | 1,420 | 1,129 |
| 7.000% due 04/15/2018 | | 2,400 | 2,052 |
| 7.950% due 06/01/2032 | | 200 | 157 |
| Northwestern Bell Telephone | | | |
| 7.750% due 05/01/2030 (g) | | 7,000 | 7,736 |
| Odebrecht Drilling Norbe Ltd. | | | |
| 6.350% due 06/30/2022 | | 246 | 123 |
| Odebrecht Offshore Drilling Finance Ltd. | | | |
| 6.625% due 10/01/2023 | | 1,401 | 473 |
| 6.750% due 10/01/2023 | | 1,450 | 500 |
| Petrobras Global Finance BV | | | |
| 2.750% due 01/15/2018 | EUR | 230 | 226 |
| 3.214% due 03/17/2020 | \$ | 130 | 100 |
| 4.875% due 03/17/2020 | | 210 | 172 |
| 5.750% due 01/20/2020 | | 70 | 60 |
| 6.625% due 01/16/2034 | GBP | 100 | 101 |
| 6.750% due 01/27/2041 | \$ | 1,200 | 853 |
| 7.875% due 03/15/2019 | | 3,200 | 3,040 |
| | | | 26,901 |
| Total Corporate Bonds & Notes | | | 167,971 |
| (Cost \$173,847) | | | |

MUNICIPAL BONDS & NOTES 8.3%**CALIFORNIA 1.7%****Riverside County, California Redevelopment Successor Agency Tax Allocation Bonds, Series 2010**

7.500% due 10/01/2030 600 653

Stockton Public Financing Authority, California Revenue Bonds, (BABs), Series 2009

7.942% due 10/01/2038 3,600 4,044

4,697

ILLINOIS 2.2%**Chicago, Illinois General Obligation Bonds, (BABs), Series 2010**

7.517% due 01/01/2040 6,000 6,131

NEBRASKA 2.5%**Public Power Generation Agency, Nebraska Revenue Bonds, (BABs), Series 2009**

7.242% due 01/01/2041 5,700 6,820

VIRGINIA 0.1%**Tobacco Settlement Financing Corp., Virginia Revenue Bonds, Series 2007**

6.706% due 06/01/2046 395 305

WEST VIRGINIA 1.8%**Tobacco Settlement Finance Authority, West Virginia Revenue Bonds, Series 2007**

7.467% due 06/01/2047 5,685 4,988

Total Municipal Bonds & Notes 22,941
(Cost \$21,662)**U.S. GOVERNMENT AGENCIES 2.2%****Fannie Mae**

3.500% due 12/25/2032 (a) 946 123

4.000% due 11/25/2042 (a) 3,369 500

5.197% due 07/25/2025 410 409

5.744% due 04/25/2028 500 509

14.421% due 12/25/2040 132 202

Freddie Mac

4.678% due 11/25/2055 4,197 2,454

7.747% due 12/25/2027 1,600 1,603

9.614% due 11/15/2040 365 389

Total U.S. Government Agencies 6,189
(Cost \$6,178)**U.S. TREASURY OBLIGATIONS 0.4%**

U.S. Treasury Floating Rate Notes

| | | |
|---------------------------|-------|-------|
| 0.097% due 07/31/2017 (k) | 1,165 | 1,164 |
|---------------------------|-------|-------|

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| Total U.S. Treasury Obligations | | 1,164 |
| (Cost \$1,165) | | |

MORTGAGE-BACKED SECURITIES 17.9%**Banc of America Alternative Loan Trust**

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|-------------------------|----|----|
| 6.000% due 01/25/2036 ^ | 77 | 66 |
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Banc of America Funding Trust

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| 6.000% due 08/25/2036 ^ | 2,733 | 2,660 |
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| 6.000% due 03/25/2037 ^ | 1,538 | 1,330 |
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BCAP LLC Trust

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| 5.333% due 03/26/2037 | 759 | 226 |
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| 28.567% due 06/26/2036 | 154 | 49 |
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Bear Stearns ALT-A Trust

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| 0.517% due 06/25/2046 ^ | 3,246 | 2,341 |
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| 2.776% due 11/25/2036 | 321 | 233 |
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| 2.911% due 09/25/2035 ^ | 582 | 479 |
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Bear Stearns Mortgage Funding Trust

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| 7.000% due 08/25/2036 | 925 | 881 |
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Chase Mortgage Finance Trust

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|-------------------------|---|---|
| 2.444% due 12/25/2035 ^ | 8 | 8 |
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| 6.000% due 02/25/2037 ^ | 786 | 668 |
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| 6.000% due 07/25/2037 ^ | 482 | 416 |
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| 6.250% due 10/25/2036 ^ | 1,534 | 1,372 |
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Citicorp Mortgage Securities Trust

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| 5.500% due 04/25/2037 | 96 | 96 |
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Countrywide Alternative Loan Resecuritization Trust

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| 6.000% due 05/25/2036 ^ | 2,008 | 1,752 |
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| 6.000% due 08/25/2037 ^ | 853 | 657 |
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Countrywide Alternative Loan Trust

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| 5.253% due 04/25/2036 ^ | 870 | 675 |
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| 5.500% due 03/25/2035 | 250 | 221 |
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| 5.500% due 12/25/2035 ^ | 2,897 | 2,535 |
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| 5.500% due 03/25/2036 ^ | 122 | 105 |
| 5.750% due 01/25/2035 | 303 | 307 |
| 6.000% due 02/25/2035 | 276 | 288 |
| 6.000% due 08/25/2036 ^ | 145 | 136 |
| 6.000% due 04/25/2037 ^ | 942 | 744 |
| 6.250% due 11/25/2036 ^ | 627 | 592 |
| 6.250% due 12/25/2036 ^ | 1,342 | 1,097 |
| 6.500% due 08/25/2036 ^ | 375 | 289 |
| Countrywide Home Loan Mortgage Pass-Through Trust | | |
| 2.508% due 02/20/2035 | 54 | 54 |
| 5.500% due 10/25/2035 ^ | 658 | 621 |
| 5.750% due 03/25/2037 ^ | 480 | 443 |
| 6.250% due 09/25/2036 ^ | 515 | 476 |
| Credit Suisse Mortgage Capital Mortgage-Backed Trust | | |
| 6.000% due 02/25/2037 ^ | 302 | 268 |
| 6.750% due 08/25/2036 ^ | 1,150 | 927 |
| Deutsche Mortgage Securities, Inc. Mortgage Loan Trust | | |
| 1.497% due 06/25/2034 | 2,030 | 1,501 |
| GSR Mortgage Loan Trust | | |
| 5.500% due 05/25/2036 ^ | 97 | 94 |
| 6.000% due 02/25/2036 ^ | 3,953 | 3,374 |
| HarborView Mortgage Loan Trust | | |
| 0.917% due 01/19/2035 | 313 | 281 |
| 2.680% due 07/19/2035 | 49 | 44 |
| IndyMac Mortgage Loan Trust | | |
| 6.500% due 07/25/2037 ^ | 1,937 | 1,256 |
| JPMorgan Alternative Loan Trust | | |
| 2.526% due 03/25/2037 ^ | 1,432 | 1,130 |
| 2.621% due 03/25/2036 ^ | 1,564 | 1,251 |
| JPMorgan Mortgage Trust | | |
| 2.521% due 02/25/2036 ^ | 443 | 387 |
| 2.549% due 01/25/2037 ^ | 490 | 438 |
| 5.000% due 03/25/2037 ^ | 814 | 694 |
| 6.000% due 08/25/2037 ^ | 204 | 183 |
| Merrill Lynch Mortgage Investors Trust | | |
| 2.633% due 03/25/2036 ^ | 1,385 | 934 |
| Residential Asset Securitization Trust | | |
| 5.750% due 02/25/2036 ^ | 867 | 710 |
| 6.000% due 03/25/2037 ^ | 613 | 435 |
| 6.000% due 05/25/2037 ^ | 1,267 | 1,107 |
| 6.000% due 07/25/2037 ^ | 939 | 678 |
| 6.250% due 09/25/2037 ^ | 1,567 | 1,133 |
| Residential Funding Mortgage Securities, Inc. Trust | | |
| 3.729% due 08/25/2036 ^ | 1,617 | 1,430 |
| 6.000% due 09/25/2036 ^ | 201 | 185 |
| 6.000% due 06/25/2037 ^ | 2,730 | 2,417 |
| Structured Adjustable Rate Mortgage Loan Trust | | |
| 2.466% due 11/25/2036 ^ | 1,427 | 1,178 |
| 4.273% due 07/25/2036 ^ | 531 | 447 |

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| 4.907% due 01/25/2036 ^ | 1,187 | 917 |
| 4.945% due 03/25/2037 ^ | 496 | 354 |
| Suntrust Adjustable Rate Mortgage Loan Trust | | |
| 2.586% due 02/25/2037 ^ | 257 | 226 |
| 2.722% due 04/25/2037 ^ | 1,562 | 1,330 |
| WaMu Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates Trust | | |
| 2.143% due 12/25/2046 | 422 | 391 |
| 2.398% due 09/25/2036 ^ | 189 | 172 |
| 4.341% due 02/25/2037 ^ | 492 | 458 |
| 6.013% due 10/25/2036 ^ | 679 | 570 |
| Wells Fargo Mortgage-Backed Securities Trust | | |
| 2.614% due 07/25/2036 ^ | 284 | 269 |
| 5.750% due 03/25/2037 ^ | 300 | 293 |
| 6.000% due 06/25/2037 ^ | 169 | 170 |
| 6.000% due 07/25/2037 ^ | 269 | 266 |
| Total Mortgage-Backed Securities (Cost \$46,051) | | 49,715 |

ASSET-BACKED SECURITIES 22.4%

Asset-Backed Funding Certificates Trust

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|-----------------------|-------|-------|
| 0.347% due 10/25/2036 | 7,742 | 6,660 |
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Bear Stearns Asset-Backed Securities Trust

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| 6.500% due 10/25/2036 ^ | 250 | 199 |
|-------------------------|-----|-----|

CIFC Funding Ltd.

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| 0.010% due 05/24/2026 | 1,200 | 897 |
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Countrywide Asset-Backed Certificates

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| 0.397% due 06/25/2047 | 7,397 | 5,398 |
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| 0.457% due 09/25/2046 ^ | 2,924 | 1,942 |
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| 0.757% due 12/25/2035 | 3,500 | 3,309 |
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Countrywide Asset-Backed Certificates Trust

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| 5.130% due 08/25/2035 | 3,000 | 2,959 |
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GSAMP Trust

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| 0.457% due 02/25/2046 | 5,215 | 3,943 |
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| 1.172% due 03/25/2035 ^ | 8,535 | 5,505 |
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JPMorgan Mortgage Acquisition Trust

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| 0.517% due 04/25/2036 | 6,000 | 4,135 |
|-----------------------|-------|-------|

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| Lehman XS Trust | | | |
| 6.290% due 06/24/2046 | | 3,080 | 2,573 |
| MASTR Asset-Backed Securities Trust | | | |
| 5.233% due 11/25/2035 | | 226 | 227 |
| Mid-State Trust | | | |
| 6.340% due 10/15/2036 | | 658 | 716 |
| Morgan Stanley ABS Capital, Inc. Trust | | | |
| 1.187% due 06/25/2035 | | 500 | 451 |
| Morgan Stanley Capital, Inc. Trust | | | |
| 0.487% due 01/25/2036 | | 4,228 | 3,838 |
| Morgan Stanley Mortgage Loan Trust | | | |
| 6.250% due 07/25/2047 ^ | | 472 | 348 |
| Residential Asset Mortgage Products Trust | | | |
| 0.477% due 09/25/2036 | | 400 | 344 |
| Residential Asset Securities Corp. Trust | | | |
| 0.667% due 09/25/2035 | | 13,627 | 10,936 |
| Securitized Asset-Backed Receivables LLC Trust | | | |
| 0.337% due 05/25/2036 | | 6,470 | 3,683 |
| Taberna Preferred Funding Ltd. | | | |
| 0.684% due 08/05/2036 | | 293 | 214 |
| 0.684% due 08/05/2036 ^ | | 5,496 | 4,012 |
| Total Asset-Backed Securities (Cost \$61,228) | | | 62,289 |
| SOVEREIGN ISSUES 0.6% | | | |
| Republic of Greece Government International Bond | | | |
| 3.800% due 08/08/2017 | JPY | 201,000 | 1,449 |
| 4.750% due 04/17/2019 | EUR | 300 | 303 |
| Total Sovereign Issues (Cost \$1,714) | | | 1,752 |
| | | SHARES | |
| COMMON STOCKS 0.1% | | | |
| FINANCIALS 0.1% | | | |
| TIG FinCo PLC (e) | | 91,836 | 122 |
| Total Common Stocks (Cost \$136) | | | 122 |
| PREFERRED SECURITIES 4.7% | | | |
| BANKING & FINANCE 4.7% | | | |
| Farm Credit Bank of Texas | | | |
| 10.000% due 12/15/2020 (d) | | 6,000 | 7,575 |
| GMAC Capital Trust | | | |
| 8.125% due 02/15/2040 | | 207,100 | 5,349 |

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| Total Preferred Securities (Cost \$12,333) | | 12,924 |
|---|--|--------|

SHORT-TERM INSTRUMENTS 5.2%

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| REPURCHASE AGREEMENTS (f) 1.2% | | 3,274 |
|---------------------------------------|--|-------|

PRINCIPAL
AMOUNT
(000s)

SHORT-TERM NOTES 1.9%**Federal Home Loan Bank**

| | | | |
|------------------------------------|----|-------|-------|
| 0.096% due 01/08/2016 | \$ | 4,900 | 4,899 |
| 0.106% due 01/19/2016 - 01/22/2016 | | 500 | 500 |

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|--|--|-------|
| | | 5,399 |
|--|--|-------|

U.S. TREASURY BILLS 2.1%

| | | | |
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| 0.143% due 12/31/2015 - 02/11/2016 (c)(i)(k) | | 5,935 | 5,934 |
|--|--|-------|-------|

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| Total Short-Term Instruments (Cost \$14,606) | | | 14,607 |
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| Total Investments in Securities (Cost \$344,699) | | | 344,979 |
|---|--|--|---------|

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| Total Investments 124.2% | \$ | | 344,979 |
|---------------------------------|-----------|--|----------------|

(Cost \$344,699)

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| Financial Derivative Instruments (h)(j) (1.6%) | | | (4,564) |
|---|--|--|----------------|

(Cost or Premiums, net \$(303))

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|---------------------------------|--|--|-----------------|
| Preferred Shares (18.5%) | | | (51,275) |
|---------------------------------|--|--|-----------------|

| | | | |
|---|--|--|-----------------|
| Other Assets and Liabilities, net (4.1%) | | | (11,310) |
|---|--|--|-----------------|

| | | | |
|--|-----------|--|----------------|
| Net Assets Applicable to Common Shareholders 100.0% | \$ | | 277,830 |
|--|-----------|--|----------------|

Notes to Schedule of Investments (amounts in thousands*):

* A zero balance may reflect actual amounts rounding to less than one thousand.

^ Security is in default.

(a) Interest only security.

(b) Payment in-kind bond security.

(c) Coupon represents a weighted average yield to maturity.

(d) Perpetual maturity; date shown, if applicable, represents next contractual call date.

(e) Restricted Securities:

| Issuer Description | Acquisition Date | Cost | Market Value | Market Value as Percentage of Net Assets |
|--------------------|------------------|--------|--------------|--|
| TIG FinCo PLC | 04/02/2015 | \$ 136 | \$ 122 | 0.04% |

Borrowings and Other Financing Transactions

(f) Repurchase Agreements:

| Counterparty | Lending Rate | Settlement Date | Maturity Date | Principal Amount | Collateralized By | Collateral Received, at Value | Repurchase Agreement Proceeds at Value | Repurchase Agreement to be Received ⁽¹⁾ |
|--------------|--------------|-----------------|---------------|------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|--|--|
| BPG | 0.150% | 10/30/2015 | 11/02/2015 | \$ 700 | Freddie Mac 3.500% due 09/01/2045 | \$ (729) | \$ 700 | \$ 700 |
| SSB | 0.000 | 10/30/2015 | 11/02/2015 | 2,574 | Fannie Mae 2.140% due 11/07/2022 | (2,629) | 2,574 | 2,574 |

| | |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Total Repurchase Agreements | \$ (3,358) \$ 3,274 \$ 3,274 |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|

(1) *Includes accrued interest.*

Reverse Repurchase Agreements:

| Counterparty | Borrowing Rate | Borrowing Date | Maturity Date | Amount Borrowed ⁽²⁾ | Payable for Reverse Repurchase Agreements |
|--|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|-----------------------------------|---|
| BPG | 0.630% | 10/05/2015 | 01/05/2016 | \$ (2,601) | \$ (2,602) |
| MSC | 0.600 | 10/08/2015 | 01/08/2016 | (5,612) | (5,615) |
| RDR | 0.630 | 10/21/2015 | 01/21/2016 | (4,109) | (4,110) |
| UBS | 0.700 | 10/09/2015 | 01/11/2016 | (2,614) | (2,615) |
| | 0.700 | 10/14/2015 | 01/14/2016 | (2,841) | (2,842) |
| Total Reverse Repurchase Agreements | | | | | \$ (17,784) |

(2) *The average amount of borrowings outstanding during the period ended October 31, 2015 was \$13,595 at a weighted average interest rate of 0.581%.*

(g) **Securities with an aggregate market value of \$18,962 have been pledged as collateral under the terms of master agreements as of October 31, 2015.**

(h) Financial Derivative Instruments: Exchange-Traded or Centrally Cleared Swap Agreements:

Credit Default Swaps on Credit Indices - Sell Protection ⁽¹⁾

| Index/Tranches | Fixed Deal Receive Rate | Maturity Date | Notional Amount ⁽²⁾ | Variation Margin | | | |
|------------------------|----------------------------|------------------|-----------------------------------|---|----------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | | Unrealized Market Appreciation/ Value ⁽³⁾ (Depreciation) | Asset | Liability | Liability |
| CDX.HY-24 5-Year Index | 5.000% | 06/20/2020 | \$ 7,920 | \$ 504 | \$ (107) | \$ 9 | \$ 0 |
| CDX.HY-25 5-Year Index | 5.000 | 12/20/2020 | 4,400 | 165 | 79 | 7 | 0 |
| | | | | \$ 669 | \$ (28) | \$ 16 | \$ 0 |

(1)

If the Fund is a seller of protection and a credit event occurs, as defined under the terms of that particular swap agreement, the Fund will either (i) pay to the buyer of protection an amount equal to the notional amount of the swap and take delivery of the referenced obligation or underlying securities comprising the referenced index or (ii) pay a net settlement amount in the form of cash or securities equal to the notional amount of the swap less the recovery value of the referenced obligation or underlying securities comprising the referenced index.

- (2) The maximum potential amount the Fund could be required to pay as a seller of credit protection or receive as a buyer of credit protection if a credit event occurs as defined under the terms of that particular swap agreement.*
- (3) The prices and resulting values for credit default swap agreements on credit indices serve as an indicator of the current status of the payment/performance risk and represent the likelihood of an expected liability (or profit) for the credit derivative should the notional amount of the swap agreement be closed/sold as of the period end. Increasing market values, in absolute terms when compared to the notional amount of the swap, represent a deterioration of the referenced indices' credit soundness and a greater likelihood or risk of default or other credit event occurring as defined under the terms of the agreement.*

Interest Rate Swaps

| Pay/Receive | Floating Rate Index | Fixed Rate | Maturity Date | Notional Amount | Market Value | Unrealized | | Variation Margin | |
|------------------------------|----------------------|------------|---------------|-----------------|------------------|---------------------------|---------------|-------------------|--|
| | | | | | | Appreciation/Depreciation | Asset | Liability | |
| Pay | 3-Month USD-LIBOR | 2.750% | 06/17/2025 | \$ 59,720 | \$ 4,288 | \$ 631 | \$ 172 | \$ 0 | |
| Pay | 3-Month USD-LIBOR | 3.500 | 06/19/2044 | 83,100 | 17,753 | 20,464 | 705 | 0 | |
| Receive | 3-Month USD-LIBOR | 2.750 | 12/16/2045 | 149,800 | (5,666) | (13,772) | 0 | (1,235) | |
| Pay | 6-Month AUD-BBR-BBSW | 3.000 | 12/17/2019 | AUD 6,200 | 146 | 54 | 0 | (3) | |
| Pay | 6-Month AUD-BBR-BBSW | 3.500 | 06/17/2025 | 3,900 | 171 | 74 | 0 | (10) | |
| | | | | | \$ 16,692 | \$ 7,451 | \$ 877 | \$ (1,248) | |
| Total Swap Agreements | | | | | \$ 17,361 | \$ 7,423 | \$ 893 | \$ (1,248) | |

(i) Securities with an aggregate market value of \$1,520 and cash of \$3,642 have been pledged as collateral for exchange-traded and centrally cleared financial derivative instruments as of October 31, 2015.

(j) Financial Derivative Instruments: Over the Counter
Forward Foreign Currency Contracts:

| Counterparty | Settlement Month | Currency to be Delivered | Amount | Currency to be Received | Unrealized Appreciation/(Depreciation) | |
|--------------|------------------|--------------------------|--------|-------------------------|--|-----------|
| | | | | | Asset | Liability |
| BOA | 11/2015 | GBP | 22,685 | \$ 34,483 | \$ 0 | \$ (488) |
| | 06/2016 | EUR | 26 | 35 | 7 | 0 |
| | 06/2016 | \$ | 1 | EUR 1 | 0 | 0 |
| BRC | 06/2016 | EUR | 5 | \$ 7 | 1 | 0 |
| CBK | 11/2015 | | 739 | 835 | 23 | 0 |
| | 11/2015 | GBP | 284 | 436 | 0 | (2) |
| | 11/2015 | \$ | 335 | GBP 221 | 6 | 0 |
| DUB | 11/2015 | BRL | 7,152 | \$ 1,828 | 0 | (26) |
| | 11/2015 | \$ | 1,779 | BRL 7,152 | 75 | 0 |
| | 12/2015 | | 1,809 | 7,152 | 27 | 0 |
| | 06/2016 | EUR | 3 | \$ 4 | 1 | 0 |
| GLM | 11/2015 | AUD | 266 | 188 | 0 | (2) |
| JPM | 11/2015 | GBP | 107 | 164 | 0 | (1) |

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|---|---------|-----|---------|-----|---------|-----------|------------|-----------|--------------|
| | 11/2015 | \$ | 40 | GBP | 26 | 1 | 0 | | |
| MSB | 11/2015 | BRL | 966 | \$ | 250 | 0 | 0 | | |
| | 11/2015 | JPY | 175,679 | | 1,463 | 8 | 0 | | |
| | 11/2015 | \$ | 249 | BRL | 966 | 1 | 0 | | |
| | 06/2016 | EUR | 7 | \$ | 10 | 2 | 0 | | |
| NAB | 11/2015 | \$ | 1,400 | JPY | 168,500 | 0 | (4) | | |
| | 12/2015 | JPY | 168,500 | \$ | 1,401 | 4 | 0 | | |
| | 06/2016 | EUR | 15 | | 21 | 4 | 0 | | |
| SCX | 11/2015 | \$ | 34,934 | GBP | 22,829 | 259 | 0 | | |
| | 12/2015 | GBP | 22,829 | \$ | 34,928 | 0 | (259) | | |
| UAG | 11/2015 | EUR | 6,284 | | 7,033 | 123 | 0 | | |
| | 11/2015 | \$ | 7,762 | EUR | 7,023 | 0 | (39) | | |
| | 12/2015 | EUR | 7,023 | \$ | 7,765 | 39 | 0 | | |
| Total Forward Foreign Currency Contracts | | | | | | \$ | 581 | \$ | (821) |

Swap Agreements:

Credit Default Swaps on Corporate Issues - Sell Protection ⁽¹⁾

| Counterparty | Reference Entity | Fixed Deal Receive Rate | Maturity Date | Implied Credit Spread | | Notional Amount ⁽³⁾ | Premium (Received) | Unrealized | | |
|--------------|---|----------------------------|------------------|--------------------------|------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------|--------------------|------------|
| | | | | at October 31, 2015 | at 12/31/2015 | | | Depreciation | Asset Liability | |
| BPS | Petrobras International Finance Co. | 1.000% | 12/20/2024 | 7.544% | 7.544% | \$ 500 | \$ (98) | \$ (87) | \$ 0 | \$ (185) |
| GST | Petrobras International Finance Co. | 1.000 | 12/20/2024 | 7.544 | 7.544 | 700 | (139) | (121) | 0 | (260) |
| HUS | Petrobras Global Finance BV | 1.000 | 09/20/2020 | 7.592 | 7.592 | 20 | (3) | (2) | 0 | (5) |
| | Petrobras International Finance Co. | 1.000 | 12/20/2019 | 7.557 | 7.557 | 200 | (17) | (27) | 0 | (44) |
| | Petrobras International Finance Co. | 1.000 | 12/20/2024 | 7.544 | 7.544 | 800 | (166) | (131) | 0 | (297) |
| MYC | Chesapeake Energy Corp. | 5.000 | 09/20/2020 | 16.433 | 16.433 | 100 | (10) | (22) | 0 | (32) |
| | Petrobras International Finance Co. | 1.000 | 12/20/2019 | 7.557 | 7.557 | 4,100 | (379) | (530) | 0 | (909) |
| | | | | | | | \$ (812) | \$ (920) | \$ 0 | \$ (1,732) |

(1) If the Fund is a seller of protection and a credit event occurs, as defined under the terms of that particular swap agreement, the Fund will either (i) pay to the buyer of protection an amount equal to the notional amount of the swap and take delivery of the referenced obligation or underlying securities comprising the referenced index or (ii) pay a net settlement amount in the form of cash or securities equal to the notional amount of the swap less the recovery value of the referenced obligation or underlying securities comprising the referenced index.

(2) Implied credit spreads, represented in absolute terms, utilized in determining the market value of credit default swap agreements on corporate issues as of period end serve as an indicator of the current status of the payment/performance risk and represent the likelihood or risk of default for the credit derivative. The implied credit spread of a particular referenced entity reflects the cost of buying/selling protection and may include upfront payments required to be made to enter into the agreement. Wider credit spreads represent a deterioration of the referenced entity's credit soundness and a greater likelihood or risk of default or other credit event occurring as defined under the terms of the agreement.

(3) The maximum potential amount the Fund could be required to pay as a seller of credit protection or receive as a buyer of credit protection if a credit event occurs as defined under the terms of that particular swap agreement.

Interest Rate Swaps

| Counterparty | Pay/Receive Floating Rate | Floating Rate Index | Fixed Rate | Maturity Date | Notional Amount | Swap Agreements, at | | | |
|------------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------|------------|------------------|--------------------|---------------------------------|---|---------------|------------------|
| | | | | | | Premiums Paid/ (Received) | Unrealized Appreciation/ Depreciation | Asset | Liability |
| S | Pay | 1-Year BRL-CDI | 11.500% | 01/04/2021 | BRL 6,100 | \$ 8 | \$ (196) | \$ 0 | \$ (18) |
| K | Pay | 1-Year BRL-CDI | 11.500 | 01/04/2021 | 23,000 | (22) | (687) | 0 | (70) |
| | Pay | 3-Month USD-LIBOR | 2.350 | 02/18/2021 | \$ 61,500 | 358 | 222 | 580 | |
| JB | Pay | 3-Month USD-LIBOR | 2.900 | 02/18/2026 | 26,300 | 173 | 140 | 313 | |
| YC | Pay | 1-Year BRL-CDI | 11.500 | 01/04/2021 | BRL 40,500 | 36 | (1,285) | 0 | (1,24) |
| AG | Pay | 1-Year BRL-CDI | 11.250 | 01/04/2021 | 29,500 | (44) | (940) | 0 | (98) |
| | | | | | | \$ 509 | \$ (2,746) | \$ 893 | \$ (3,13) |
| Total Swap Agreements | | | | | | \$ (303) | \$ (3,666) | \$ 893 | \$ (4,86) |

(k) Securities with an aggregate market value of \$4,525 have been pledged as collateral for financial derivative instruments as governed by International Swaps and Derivatives Association, Inc. master agreements as of October 31, 2015.

Fair Value Measurements

The following is a summary of the fair valuations according to the inputs used as of October 31, 2015 in valuing the Fund's assets and liabilities:

| Category and Subcategory | Level 1 | Level 2 | Level 3 | Fair Value at 10/31/2015 |
|--|---------|----------|---------|-----------------------------|
| Investments in Securities, at Value | | | | |
| Bank Loan Obligations | \$ 0 | \$ 5,305 | \$ 0 | \$ 5,305 |
| Corporate Bonds & Notes | | | | |
| Banking & Finance | 0 | 94,475 | 2,692 | 97,167 |
| Industrials | 0 | 43,903 | 0 | 43,903 |
| Utilities | 0 | 26,901 | 0 | 26,901 |
| Municipal Bonds & Notes | | | | |
| California | 0 | 4,697 | 0 | 4,697 |
| Illinois | 0 | 6,131 | 0 | 6,131 |
| Nebraska | 0 | 6,820 | 0 | 6,820 |
| Virginia | 0 | 305 | 0 | 305 |
| West Virginia | 0 | 4,988 | 0 | 4,988 |
| U.S. Government Agencies | 0 | 3,735 | 2,454 | 6,189 |
| U.S. Treasury Obligations | 0 | 1,164 | 0 | 1,164 |

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|---|----------|------------|----------|------------|
| Mortgage-Backed Securities | 0 | 49,715 | 0 | 49,715 |
| Asset-Backed Securities | 0 | 62,289 | 0 | 62,289 |
| Sovereign Issues | 0 | 1,752 | 0 | 1,752 |
| Common Stocks | | | | |
| Financials | 0 | 0 | 122 | 122 |
| Preferred Securities | | | | |
| Banking & Finance | 5,349 | 7,575 | 0 | 12,924 |
| Short-Term Instruments | | | | |
| Repurchase Agreements | 0 | 3,274 | 0 | 3,274 |
| Short-Term Notes | 0 | 5,399 | 0 | 5,399 |
| U.S. Treasury Bills | 0 | 5,934 | 0 | 5,934 |
| Total Investments | \$ 5,349 | \$ 334,362 | \$ 5,268 | \$ 344,979 |
| Financial Derivative Instruments - Assets | | | | |
| Exchange-traded or centrally cleared | 0 | 893 | 0 | 893 |
| Over the counter | 0 | 1,474 | 0 | 1,474 |
| | \$ 0 | \$ 2,367 | \$ 0 | \$ 2,367 |
| Financial Derivative Instruments - Liabilities | | | | |
| Exchange-traded or centrally cleared | 0 | (1,248) | 0 | (1,248) |
| Over the counter | 0 | (5,683) | 0 | (5,683) |
| | \$ 0 | \$ (6,931) | \$ 0 | \$ (6,931) |
| Totals | \$ 5,349 | \$ 329,798 | \$ 5,268 | \$ 340,415 |

There were no significant transfers between Levels 1 and 2 during the period ended October 31, 2015.

The following is a reconciliation of the fair valuations using significant unobservable inputs (Level 3) for the Fund during the period ended October 31, 2015:

| Category and Subcategory at 07/31/2015 | Beginning Balance | Net Purchases | Net Sales | Net Discounts/ Premiums | Accrued Gain (Loss) | Realized in Net Change | Unrealized Appreciation/ (Depreciation) | Transfers into Level 3 | Transfers out of Level 3 | Ending Balance at 10/31/2015 | Net Change in Unrealized Appreciation/ (Depreciation) on Investments Held at 10/31/2015 ⁽¹⁾ |
|--|-------------------|---------------|-----------|-------------------------|---------------------|------------------------|---|------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|--|
| Investments in Securities, at Value | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Corporate Bonds & Notes | \$ 2,665 | \$ 0 | \$ (15) | \$ 0 | \$ 0 | \$ 42 | \$ 0 | \$ 0 | \$ 0 | \$ 2,692 | \$ 43 |
| Banking & Finance | | | | | | | | | | | |
| U.S. Government Agencies | 0 | 2,479 | (3) | 0 | 2 | (24) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2,454 | (24) |
| Common Stocks | 96 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 26 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 122 | 26 |
| Financials | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Totals | \$ 2,761 | \$ 2,479 | \$ (18) | \$ 0 | \$ 2 | \$ 44 | \$ 0 | \$ 0 | \$ 0 | \$ 5,268 | \$ 45 |

The following is a summary of significant unobservable inputs used in the fair valuations of assets and liabilities categorized within Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy:

| Category and Subcategory at 10/31/2015 | Ending Balance | Valuation Technique | Unobservable Input(s) | Input Value(s) Unless Noted Otherwise |
|--|----------------|---|-----------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Investments in Securities, at Value | | | | |
| Corporate Bonds & Notes | | | | |
| Banking & Finance | \$ 2,692 | Proxy Pricing | Base Price | 113.00 |
| U.S. Government Agencies | 2,454 | Proxy Pricing | Base Price | 59.03 |
| Common Stocks | | | | |
| Financials | 122 | Other Valuation Techniques ⁽²⁾ | | |
| Total | \$ 5,268 | | | |

(1) Any difference between Net Change in Unrealized Appreciation/(Depreciation) and Net Change in Unrealized Appreciation/(Depreciation) on Investments Held at October 31, 2015 may be due to an investment no longer held or categorized as Level 3 at period end.

(2) Includes valuation techniques not defined in the Supplementary Notes to Schedule of Investments as securities valued using such techniques are not considered significant to the Fund.

See Accompanying Notes

Notes to Financial Statements

1. INVESTMENT VALUATION AND FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

(a) Investment Valuation Policies The net asset value (NAV) of a Fund is determined by dividing the total value of portfolio investments and other assets attributable to that Fund, less any liabilities, by the total number of shares outstanding of that Fund.

On each day that the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE) is open, Fund shares are ordinarily valued as of the close of regular trading (NYSE Close). Information that becomes known to the Fund or its agents after the time as of which NAV has been calculated on a particular day will not generally be used to retroactively adjust the price of a security or the NAV determined earlier that day. The Fund reserves the right to change the time its respective NAV is calculated if the Fund closes earlier, or as permitted by the SEC.

For purposes of calculating NAV, portfolio securities and other assets for which market quotes are readily available are valued at market value. Market value is generally determined on the basis of official closing prices or the last reported sales prices, or if no sales are reported, based on quotes obtained from established market makers or prices (including evaluated prices) supplied by the approved pricing services, quotation reporting systems and other third-party sources (together, Pricing Services). The Fund will normally use pricing data for domestic equity securities received shortly after the NYSE Close and do not normally take into account trading, clearances or settlements that take place after the NYSE Close. A foreign (non-U.S.) equity security traded on a foreign exchange or on more than one exchange is typically valued using pricing information from the exchange considered by the manager to be the primary exchange. A foreign (non-U.S.) equity security will be valued as of the close of trading on the foreign exchange, or the NYSE Close, if the NYSE Close occurs before the end of trading on the foreign exchange. Domestic and foreign (non-U.S.) fixed income securities, non-exchange traded derivatives, and equity options are normally valued on the basis of quotes obtained from brokers and dealers or Pricing Services using data reflecting the earlier closing of the principal markets for those securities. Prices obtained from Pricing Services may be based on, among other things, information provided by market makers or estimates of market values obtained from yield data relating to investments or securities with similar characteristics. Certain fixed income securities purchased on a delayed-delivery basis are marked to market daily until settlement at the forward settlement date. Exchange-traded options, except equity options, futures and options on futures (which are discussed below), are valued at the settlement price determined by the relevant exchange. Swap agreements are valued on the basis of bid quotes obtained from brokers and dealers or market-based prices supplied by Pricing Services or other pricing sources. With respect to any portion of the Fund's assets that are invested in one or more open-end management investment companies (other than exchange-traded funds (ETFs)), the Fund's NAV will be calculated based upon the NAVs of such investments.

If a foreign (non-U.S.) equity security's value has materially changed after the close of the security's primary exchange or principal market but before the NYSE Close, the security may be valued at fair value based on procedures established and approved by the Board of Trustees of the Trust (the Board). Foreign (non-U.S.) equity securities that do not trade when the NYSE is open are also valued at fair value. With respect to foreign (non-U.S.) equity securities, the Fund may determine the fair value of investments based on information provided by Pricing Services and other third-party vendors, which may recommend fair value or adjustments with reference to other securities, indices or assets. In considering whether fair valuation is required and in determining fair values, the Fund may, among other things, consider significant events (which may be considered to include changes in the value of U.S. securities or securities indices) that occur after the close of the relevant market and before the NYSE Close. The Fund may utilize modeling tools provided by third-party vendors to determine fair values of non-U.S. securities. Foreign (non-U.S.) exchanges may permit trading in foreign (non-U.S.) equity securities on days when the Trust is not open for business, which may result in the Fund's portfolio investments being affected when shareholders are unable to buy or sell shares.

Senior secured floating rate loans for which an active secondary market exists to a reliable degree will be valued at the mean of the last available bid/ask prices in the market for such loans, as provided by a Pricing Service. Senior secured floating rate loans for which an active secondary market does not exist to a reliable degree will be valued at fair value, which is intended to approximate market value. In valuing a senior secured floating rate loan at fair value, the factors considered may include, but are not limited to, the following: (a) the creditworthiness of the borrower and any intermediate participants, (b) the terms of the loan, (c) recent prices in the market for similar loans, if any, and (d) recent prices in the market for instruments of similar quality, rate, period until next interest rate reset and maturity.

Investments valued in currencies other than the U.S. dollar are converted to the U.S. dollar using exchange rates obtained from Pricing Services. As a result, the value of such investments and, in turn, the NAV of the Fund's shares may be affected by changes in the value of currencies in relation to the U.S. dollar. The value of investments traded in markets outside the United States or denominated in currencies other than the U.S. dollar may be affected significantly on a day that the Trust is not open for business. As a result, to the extent that the Fund holds foreign (non-U.S.) investments, the value of those investments may change at times when you cannot purchase, redeem or exchange shares and the value of such investments will be reflected in the Fund's next calculated NAV.

Investments for which market quotes or market-based valuations are not readily available are valued at fair value as determined in good faith by the Board or persons acting at their direction. The Board has adopted methods for valuing securities and other assets in circumstances where market quotes are not readily available, and has delegated to PIMCO the responsibility for applying the fair valuation methods. In the event that market quotes or market-based valuations are not readily available, and the security or asset cannot be valued pursuant to a Board approved valuation method, the value of the security or asset will be determined in good faith by the Valuation Oversight Committee of the Board (Valuation Oversight Committee), generally based on recommendations provided by the Manager. Market quotes are considered not readily available in circumstances where there is an absence of current or reliable market-based data (e.g., trade information, bid/ask information, indicative market quotations (Broker Quotes), Pricing Services' prices), including where events occur after the close of the relevant market, but prior to the NYSE Close, that materially affect the values of the Fund's securities or assets. In addition, market quotes are considered not readily available when, due to extraordinary circumstances, the exchanges or markets on which the securities trade do not open for trading for the entire day and no other market prices are available. The Board has delegated to the Manager the responsibility for monitoring significant events that may materially affect the values of the Fund's securities or assets and for determining whether the value of the applicable securities or assets should be reevaluated in light of such significant events.

When the Fund uses fair valuation to determine the value of a portfolio security or other asset for purposes of calculating its NAV, such investments will not be priced on the basis of quotes from the primary market in which they are traded, but rather may be priced by another method that the Board or persons acting at their direction believe reflects fair value. Fair valuation may require subjective determinations about the value of a security. While the Fund's policy is intended to result in a calculation of the Fund's NAV that fairly reflects security values as of the time of pricing, the Fund cannot ensure that fair values determined by the Board or persons acting at their direction would accurately reflect the price that the Fund could obtain for a security if it were to dispose of that security as of the time of pricing (for instance, in a forced or distressed sale). The prices used by the Fund may differ from the value that would be realized if the securities were sold.

(b) Fair Value Hierarchy U.S. GAAP describes fair value as the price that the Fund would receive to sell an asset or pay to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. It establishes a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes inputs to valuation methods and requires disclosure of the fair value hierarchy, separately for each major category of assets and liabilities, that segregates fair value measurements into levels (Level 1, 2, or 3). The inputs or methodology used for valuing securities are not necessarily an indication of the risks associated with investing in those securities. Levels 1, 2, and 3 of the fair value hierarchy are defined as follows:

Level 1 Inputs using (unadjusted) quoted prices in active markets or exchanges for identical assets and liabilities.

Level 2 Significant other observable inputs, which may include, but are not limited to, quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in markets that are active, quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in markets that are not active, inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the assets or liabilities (such as interest rates, yield curves, volatilities, prepayment speeds, loss severities, credit risks and default rates) or other market corroborated inputs.

Level 3 Significant unobservable inputs based on the best information available in the circumstances, to the extent observable inputs are not available, which may include assumptions made by the Board or persons acting at their direction that are used in determining the fair value of investments.

In accordance with the requirements of U.S. GAAP, the amounts of transfers between Levels 1 and 2 and transfers in and out of Level 3, if material, are disclosed in the Notes to Schedule of Investments for the Fund.

For fair valuations using significant unobservable inputs, U.S. GAAP requires a reconciliation of the beginning to ending balances for reported fair values that presents changes attributable to realized gain (loss), unrealized appreciation (depreciation), purchases and sales, accrued discounts (premiums), and transfers in and out of the Level 3 category during the period. The end of period timing recognition is used for the transfers between Levels of the Fund's assets and liabilities. Additionally, U.S. GAAP requires quantitative information regarding the significant unobservable inputs used in the determination of fair value of assets or liabilities categorized as Level 3 in the fair value hierarchy. In accordance with the requirements of U.S. GAAP, a fair value hierarchy, and if material, a Level 3 reconciliation and details of significant unobservable inputs, have been included in the Notes to Schedule of Investments for the Fund.

(c) Valuation Techniques and the Fair Value Hierarchy

Level 1 and Level 2 trading assets and trading liabilities, at fair value The valuation methods (or techniques) and significant inputs used in determining the fair values of portfolio securities or other assets and liabilities categorized as Level 1 and Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy are as follows:

Fixed income securities including corporate, convertible and municipal bonds and notes, U.S. government agencies, U.S. treasury obligations, sovereign issues, bank loans, convertible preferred securities and non-U.S. bonds are normally valued on the basis of quotes obtained from brokers and dealers or Pricing Services that use broker-dealer quotations, reported trades or valuation estimates from their internal pricing models. The Pricing Services' internal models use inputs that are observable such as issuer details, interest rates, yield curves, prepayment speeds, credit risks/spreads, default rates and quoted prices for similar assets. Securities that use similar valuation techniques and inputs as described above are categorized as Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy.

Fixed income securities purchased on a delayed-delivery basis or as a repurchase commitment in a sale-buyback transaction are marked to market daily until settlement at the forward settlement date and are categorized as Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy.

Mortgage-related and asset-backed securities are usually issued as separate tranches, or classes, of securities within each deal. These securities are also normally valued by Pricing Services that use broker-dealer quotations, reported trades or valuation estimates from their internal pricing models. The pricing models for these securities usually consider tranche-level attributes, current market data, estimated cash flows and market-based yield spreads for each tranche, and incorporate deal collateral performance, as available. Mortgage-related and asset-backed securities that use similar valuation techniques and inputs as described above are categorized as Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy.

Common stocks, ETFs, exchange-traded notes and financial derivative instruments, such as futures contracts or options on futures that are traded on a national securities exchange, are stated at the last reported sale or settlement

price on the day of valuation. To the extent these securities are actively traded and valuation adjustments are not applied, they are categorized as Level 1 of the fair value hierarchy.

Investments valued (denominated) in currencies other than the U.S. dollar are converted to the U.S. dollar using exchange rates (currency spot and forward rates) obtained from Pricing Services. As a result, the NAV of the Fund's shares may be affected by changes in the value of currencies in relation to the U.S. dollar. The value of securities traded in markets outside the United States or denominated in currencies other than the U.S. dollar may be affected significantly on a day that the Trust is not open for business. Valuation adjustments may be applied to certain securities that are solely traded on a foreign exchange to account for the market movement between the close of the foreign market and the NYSE Close. These securities are valued using Pricing Services that consider the correlation of the trading patterns of the foreign security to the intraday trading in the U.S. markets for investments. Securities using these valuation adjustments are categorized as Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy. Preferred securities and other equities traded on inactive markets or valued by reference to similar instruments are also categorized as Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy.

Short-term debt instruments (such as commercial paper) having a remaining maturity of 60 days or less may be valued at amortized cost, so long as the amortized cost value of such short-term debt instrument is approximately the same as the fair value of the instrument as determined without the use of amortized cost valuation. Prior to July 31, 2015, short-term investments having a maturity of 60 days or less and repurchase agreements were generally valued at amortized cost which approximates fair value. Short-term debt instruments having a remaining maturity of 60 days or less are categorized as Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy.

Equity exchange-traded options and over the counter financial derivative instruments, such as foreign currency contracts, options contracts, or swap agreements, derive their value from underlying asset prices, indices, reference rates, and other inputs or a combination of these factors. Other than swap agreements, which are valued using a broker-dealer bid quotation or on market-based prices provided by Pricing Services or other pricing sources, these contracts are normally valued on the basis of quotes obtained from a quotation reporting system, established market makers or Pricing Services (normally determined as of the NYSE Close). Depending on the product and the terms of the transaction, financial derivative instruments can be valued by a Pricing Services using a series of techniques, including simulation pricing models. The pricing models use inputs that are observed from actively quoted markets such as quoted prices, issuer details, indices, bid/ask spreads, interest rates, implied volatilities, yield curves, dividends and exchange rates. Financial derivative instruments that use similar valuation techniques and inputs as described above are categorized as Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy.

Centrally cleared swaps listed or traded on a multilateral or trade facility platform, such as a registered exchange, are valued at the daily settlement price determined by the respective exchange (if available). For centrally cleared credit default swaps, the clearing facility requires its members to provide actionable price levels across complete term structures. These levels along with external third-party prices are used to produce daily settlement prices. These securities are categorized as Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy. Centrally cleared interest rate swaps are valued using a pricing model that references the underlying rates including the overnight index swap rate and London Interbank Offered Rate (LIBOR) forward rate to produce the daily settlement price. These securities are categorized as Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy.

Level 3 trading assets and trading liabilities, at fair value When a fair valuation method is applied by the Manager that uses significant unobservable inputs, investments will be priced by a method that the Board or persons acting at their direction believe reflects fair value and are categorized as Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy. The valuation techniques and significant inputs used in determining the fair values of portfolio assets and liabilities categorized as Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy are as follows:

Proxy pricing procedures set the base price of a fixed income security and subsequently adjust the price proportionally to market value changes of a pre-determined security deemed to be comparable in duration, generally a U.S. Treasury or sovereign note based on country of issuance. The base price may be a broker-dealer quote, transaction price, or an internal value as derived by analysis of market data. The base price of the security may be reset on a periodic basis based on the availability of market data and procedures approved by the Valuation Oversight Committee. Significant changes in the unobservable inputs of the proxy pricing process (the base price) would result in direct and proportional changes in the fair value of the security. These securities are categorized as Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy.

The validity of the fair value is reviewed by the Manager on a periodic basis and may be amended in accordance with the Fund's valuation procedures.

2. FEDERAL INCOME TAX MATTERS

The Fund intends to qualify as a regulated investment company under Subchapter M of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code) and distribute all of its taxable income and net realized gains, if applicable, to shareholders. Accordingly, no provision for Federal income taxes has been made.

The Fund may be subject to local withholding taxes, including those imposed on realized capital gains. Any applicable foreign capital gains tax is accrued daily based upon net unrealized gains, and may be payable following the sale of any applicable investments.

In accordance with U.S. GAAP, the Manager has reviewed the Fund's tax positions for all open tax years. As of October 31, 2015, the Fund has recorded no liability for net unrecognized tax benefits relating to uncertain income tax positions they have taken or expect to take in future tax returns.

The Fund files U.S. tax returns. While the statute of limitations remains open to examine the Fund's U.S. tax returns filed for the fiscal years ending in 2012-2014, no examinations are in progress or anticipated at this time. The Fund is not aware of any tax positions for which it is reasonably possible that the total amounts of unrecognized tax benefits will significantly change in the next twelve months.

As of October 31, 2015, the aggregate cost and the net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of investments for federal income tax purposes are as follows (amounts in thousands):

| Federal Tax Cost | Aggregate Gross Unrealized Appreciation | Aggregate Gross Unrealized (Depreciation) | Net Unrealized Appreciation (Depreciation) (1) |
|-----------------------------|--|--|---|
| \$ 344,699 | \$ 12,116 | \$ (11,836) | \$ 280 |

- (1) *Primary differences, if any, between book and tax net unrealized appreciation/(depreciation) are attributable to wash sale loss deferrals for federal income tax purposes.*

GLOSSARY: (abbreviations that may be used in the preceding statements)

(Unaudited)

Counterparty Abbreviations:

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|-----|------------------------------|-----|---------------------------------------|-----|---------------------------------|
| BOA | Bank of America N.A. | GST | Goldman Sachs International | NAB | National Australia Bank Ltd. |
| BPG | BNP Paribas Securities Corp. | HUS | HSBC Bank USA N.A. | RDR | RBC Capital Markets |
| BPS | BNP Paribas S.A. | JPM | JPMorgan Chase Bank N.A. | SCX | Standard Chartered Bank |
| BRC | Barclays Bank PLC | MSB | Morgan Stanley Bank, N.A | SSB | State Street Bank and Trust Co. |
| CBK | Citibank N.A. | MSC | Morgan Stanley & Co., Inc. | UAG | UBS AG Stamford |
| DUB | Deutsche Bank AG | MYC | Morgan Stanley Capital Services, Inc. | UBS | UBS Securities LLC |
| GLM | Goldman Sachs Bank USA | | | | |

Currency Abbreviations:

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|-----|-------------------|-----|---------------|-------------|----------------------|
| AUD | Australian Dollar | EUR | Euro | JPY | Japanese Yen |
| BRL | Brazilian Real | GBP | British Pound | USD (or \$) | United States Dollar |

Index/Spread Abbreviations:

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|--------|---------------------------------------|
| CDX.HY | Credit Derivatives Index - High Yield |
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Other Abbreviations:

| | | | | | |
|------|-----------------------|------|-------------------------------|-------|-------------------------------|
| ABS | Asset-Backed Security | BBR | Bank Bill Rate | LIBOR | London Interbank Offered Rate |
| ALT | Alternate Loan Trust | BBSW | Bank Bill Swap Reference Rate | PIK | Payment-in-Kind |
| BABs | Build America Bonds | CDI | Brazil Interbank Deposit Rate | | |

Item 2. Controls and Procedures

(a) The principal executive officer and principal financial & accounting officer have concluded that the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 30a-3(c) under the Act (17 CFR 270.30a-3(c))), are effective based on their evaluation of these controls and procedures as of a date within 90 days of the filing date of this document.

(b) There were no significant changes in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rule 30a-3(d) under the Act (17 CFR 270.30a-3(d))) that occurred during the registrant's last fiscal quarter that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Item 3. Exhibits

A separate certification for each principal executive officer and principal financial & accounting officer of the registrant as required by Rule 30a-2 under the 1940 Act is attached as Exhibit 99.CERT.

Signatures

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the Investment Company Act of 1940, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

PIMCO Income Strategy Fund

By: /s/ Peter G. Strelow

Peter G. Strelow

President (Principal Executive Officer)

Date: December 28, 2015

By: /s/ William G. Galipeau

William G. Galipeau

Treasurer (Principal Financial & Accounting Officer)

Date: December 28, 2015

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the Investment Company Act of 1940, this report has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the registrant and in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

By: /s/ Peter G. Strelow

Peter G. Strelow

President (Principal Executive Officer)

Date: December 28, 2015

By: /s/ William G. Galipeau

William G. Galipeau

Treasurer (Principal Financial & Accounting Officer)

Date: December 28, 2015