# BH MACRO LIMITED MONTHLY SHAREHOLDER REPORT JUNE 2010

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## Summary information

#### BH Macro Limited NAVs per share (estimated as at 30 June 2010)

Shares Class	NAV (USD mm)	NAV per Share
USD Shares	637.4	\$17.31
EUR Shares	352.2	€17.36
GBP Shares	790.1	1780p

#### **BH Macro Limited NAV per Share % Monthly Change**

USD Shares	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
2007	-	-	0.10	0.90	0.15	2.29	2.56	3.11	5.92	0.03	2.96	0.75	20.27
2008	9.89	6.70	-2.79	-2.48	0.77	2.75	1.13	0.75	-3.13	2.76	3.75	-0.68	20.32
2009	5.06	2.78	1.17	0.13	3.14	-0.86	1.36	0.71	1.55	1.07	0.37	0.37	18.04
2010	-0.27	-1.50	0.04	1.45	0.32	1.34*							1.36*

EUR Shares	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
2007	-	-	0.05	0.70	0.02	2.26	2.43	3.07	5.65	-0.08	2.85	0.69	18.95
2008	9.92	6.68	-2.62	-2.34	0.86	2.84	1.28	0.98	-3.30	2.79	3.91	-0.45	21.65
2009	5.38	2.67	1.32	0.14	3.12	-0.82	1.33	0.71	1.48	1.05	0.35	0.40	18.36
2010	-0.30	-1.52	0.03	1.48	0.37	1.32*							1.36*

GBP Shares	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
2007	-	-	0.11	0.83	0.17	2.28	2.55	3.26	5.92	0.04	3.08	0.89	20.67
2008	10.18	6.85	-2.61	-2.33	0.95	2.91	1.33	1.21	-2.99	2.84	4.23	-0.67	23.25
2009	5.19	2.86	1.18	0.05	3.03	-0.90	1.36	0.66	1.55	1.02	0.40	0.40	18.00
2010	-0.23	-1.54	0.06	1.45	0.36	1.30*							1.42*

Source: Underlying BHMF NAV data is provided by the Administrator of BHMF, International Fund Services (Ireland) Limited. BH Macro Limited NAV and NAV per Share data is provided by the Fund's Administrator, Northern Trust International Fund Administration Services (Guernsey) Limited. BH Macro Limited NAV per Share % Monthly Change are calculated by BHAM. BH Macro Limited NAV data is unaudited and net of all investment management fees (2% annual management fee and 20% performance fee) and all other fees and expenses payable by BH Macro Limited. In addition, BHMF is subject to an operational services fee of 50bps per annum.

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## FAS 157 Asset Valuation Categorisation\*

## Brevan Howard Master Fund Limited ("BHMF")

#### Unaudited Estimates as at 30 June 2010

	% of NAV (Gross Market Value)
Level 1	61
Level 2	39
Level 3	0

Source: BHAM

\* These estimates are unaudited and have been calculated by BHAM using the same methodology as that used for the 2009 audited financial statements of BHMF. These estimates are subject to change.

Level 1: This represents the level of assets in the portfolio which are priced using unadjusted quoted prices in active markets that are accessible at the measurement date for identical, unrestricted assets or liabilities;

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<sup>\*</sup> Estimated as at 30 June 2010

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## Performance Review

During the month, BHMF made profits in FX directional strategies and interest rate directional, yield curve and volatility strategies. Losses were incurred in LIBOR basis strategies. Smaller gains were made in credit and equities strategies.

## Monthly contribution (%) to performance of BH Macro Limited USD Shares by asset class

	Total	Macro	Rates	FX	EMG	Equity	Commodity	Credit	Systematic
June 2010	1.34	-0.08	1.04	0.34	0.01	0.00	-0.04	0.06	0.00

Source: BHAM

#### Methodology and definition of Monthly Contribution to Performance:

Attribution is approximate and has been derived by allocating each trader book in BHMF to a single category. In cases where a trader book has activity in more than one category, the most relevant category has been selected.

The above asset classes are categorised as follows:

"Macro": multi-asset global markets, mainly directional (for BHMF, the majority of risk in this category is in rates)

"Rates": developed interest rates markets "FX": global FX forwards and options

"EMG": global emerging markets
"Equity": global equity markets including indices and other derivatives

"Commodity": liquid commodity futures and options

"Credit": corporate and asset-backed indices, bonds and CDS

#### Market Review and Outlook

#### **Market Commentary**

#### US

In June, risk appetite faded further in response to domestic as well as foreign threats to expansion. Most notably, investors began to question the sustainability of the recovery due to stalled consumption spending, housing roll over, and the downshifts in the labour market.

After having surprised on the upside earlier in the year, retail sales have slowed to a crawl in the last two months and prior consumption data has been revised down. The more muted trajectory of spending better aligns with our macro view, which emphasises the headwinds from lacklustre income growth, stagnant wealth and credit constraints. Housing has suffered from a hangover after the expiration of government subsidies. Furthermore, although mortgage rates are approaching record lows, we believe that housing demand will continue to wane due to excess supply, the fear of price declines and tight credit conditions. In the labour market, job creation stepped down as businesses evidentially remained cautious about expanding payrolls. Meanwhile, layoffs have moved sideways at an elevated level. The labour market continues to be our central focus, so recent developments are definitely causes for concern. Nevertheless, we believe the risks of a double-dip recession are overblown.

Not all the news is bad as productivity growth has been well maintained. Remarkably, businesses are still able to find ways to rein in labour inputs in order to enhance profits. One area where firms have relaxed the purse strings is capital expenditures, which have been impressive this year. Manufacturing production has been especially

<sup>&</sup>quot;Systematic": rules-based futures trading

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robust although more moderate gains are in store as the inventory cycle matures.

Wage and price pressures continue to be absent and the biggest risk to the outlook remains the threat of deflation. Investors have come to appreciate these risks as breakeven inflation has collapsed. Survey measures on inflation are steadier, but without a reliable understanding of the expectations formation processes, we are wary of the reassurance they provide.

Finally, the negatives in the macro data have spawned a debate about fiscal and monetary policy options. Fiscal expansion is constrained by investor and voter concerns about yawning budget deficits. Much attention has been focused on the Fed restarting large scale asset purchases, but those lack punch when markets are functioning and Treasury and mortgage rates are already at or near record lows. Other options are politically risky for the Fed, for example buying municipal bonds, or simply not legal, for example buying equities. Without positive alternatives, the Fed will have to rely on pinning down the short rate near zero for an even longer "extended period."

#### **EMU**

In the first half of the year, EMU activity largely benefitted from past fiscal and monetary stimulus, as well as from the weaker euro and the repletion of inventories. While actual data released in June, referring to Q2 confirmed the strength of this cyclical rebound, leading indicators suggest that the recovery is poised to fade due to the headwinds produced by the upcoming fiscal consolidation, the impaired banking sector, the general loss of confidence generated by the EMU crisis and the softening pace of global activity. Although inflation has gradually risen due to higher energy costs, a weaker euro and indirect tax increases, domestically-generated price pressures have remained subdued.

On the policy side, the market is awaiting the finalisation for the set-up of the European Financial Stability Facility (EFSF) as well as the outcomes of the announced bank stress tests. While those developments might provide some relief, it is hard to be convinced that these are the solutions for the deep problems in the EMU. A number of EMU countries and banking institutions are still facing severe funding problems, which is likely to constrain action by the European Central Bank.

#### UK

The tentative evidence in May of an easing in UK growth momentum was consolidated in June, when more leading and confidence-based activity indicators showed substantial falls. However, it remains to be seen how deep and persistent the growth slowdown will prove to be. This will depend on how widespread the slowdown is across the EMU, US and Asia, as well as the extent of adverse feedback between financial markets and the real economy. Meanwhile, inflation expectations and wage growth have continued to creep up. Various Bank of England officials have shown increased concern about the rise in inflation expectations, but highlighted that these risks were at least partially offset by renewed downside risks to growth.

Aside from the activity and price data, a major development in June was the first budget of the new government. The budget included further substantial government

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spending cuts over the next 5 years, aimed at bringing the structural fiscal position back into balance. The rating agencies took a positive view of the budget's impact on the UK's sovereign risk.

#### **Japan**

While coincident indications of economic activity in Japan signal that GDP expansion remained robust in Q2, leading indicators point in the direction of some cooling; which is consistent with developments observed globally and especially in China. Indeed, Japanese exports and IP dynamics remained buoyant until May: on a 3 month / 3 month metric, the former was running at a pace close to 35% annualised, while the latter was running at 12%. On the other hand however, the June PMI showed a deterioration in manufacturing, down from 54.7 to 53.9, and even more so in services, down from 47.5 to 47.1, which is 3 points below the April cyclical peak. Thus far, activity in Japan seems to have been coping well with the appreciation of the yen, which has been a safe haven for global investors at a time of grave uncertainty. However, the strong yen and a level of activity still significantly below the prerecession levels of 2008 continue to exert downside pressure on consumer prices.

#### China

In June, both the manufacturing and the services PMI for China confirmed that the pace of activity is moderating. In particular, manufacturing PMI orders fell below the 50 threshold. The drivers of the slowdown originate from weakening domestic demand, such as investments, housing and de-stocking. China is beginning to turn into a drag for the rest of the world, as import volumes are stagnating while the trade surplus is surging again. On the inflation front, evidence suggests that PPI dynamics might have peaked while CPI inflation should still be supported by rising food prices and higher expectations. Policy-wise, the Peoples Bank of China ("PBOC") announced on 19 June 2010 that China would resume renminbi flexibility with reference to a basket of currencies. This means the renminbi has ended its 22-month peg to the US dollar. However, there appears to be limited scope for large-scale renminbi appreciation, given that wages and utilities prices are rising. Inter-bank money market liquidity improved after the PBOC injected a net ¥638bn in June to stabilise the money market. The Chinese Premier, Wen Jiabao said that China will maintain its current economic policy stance after visiting six provinces. Thus far, there are no clear signals of policy easing.

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