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"Portfolio Watch"

Fall Update

Quick update to let you know that we have been busy working on your accounts over the past couple of months. We have lowered your fixed income position by selling out some of our bond funds. We have also increased our Alternative/Real Asset weighing by adding Gold Bullion, Silver Bullion and/or Precious Metals in this Asset Class. With the recent election in the US, we have increased our US positions by adding Renaissance US Equity Hedged to our US fund lineup.

The Dynamics of the World Are On the Move, So Are We!

We Are Making Changes to Your Investment Portfolio(s)

You have heard us say often, "We will update your portfolio and make changes as necessary," and this month you will see changes in your portfolio.

What's changed?

Well we all know that the election in the US is over (thank heavens) and along with that – the dynamics of the United States is expected to change based upon promises being made to push for more growth, that's something the world needs, the US must start the engine of growth. With that thought suggested moves are based upon our thoughts that the US will face; higher inflation, higher interest rates, increased government debt, and (in some cases) higher taxes.

With expectations of higher interest rates we are moving more away from bonds and into alternative real assets including; both gold and silver bullion, and precious metals (producers) in this class. Also, with the US election now off the table we have increased our US equity positions by adding Renaissance US Equity Hedged - to our US lineup.

We must say a word about gold because it is not in favour at this very moment in time, and yet we are buyers of it! As in our title above, we say, "The dynamics of the world are on the move." And we believe this to be true of both gold and silver; - sometimes the greatest buying opportunity is when one event changes the course of another asset class; making that second investment a better buying opportunity! In this case the results of the US election is overshadowing the higher value of gold, we believe that is about to change (again) in the not too distant future.

What might make gold (and ultimately silver) more valuable!

The **Accounting and Auditing Organization for Islamic Financial Institutions (AAOIFI)**, which establishes Sharia standards for Islamic finance, and the **World Gold Council (WGC)**, are currently drafting a “Shariah Standard on Gold.”

Right now, most of the world’s 1.6 billion Muslims don’t invest in gold. That will likely start to change before the end of the year – opening up a big new source of gold demand. Muslims can own physical gold. But there’s currently no “party line” among Islamic scholars outlining when, if ever, it’s acceptable to own gold as an investment. That’s about to change.

Demand for gold is soaring – supply not so fast, while China, India, Russia, Iran and Japan have been big buyers of gold (and now) a small change in a law will make gold in greater demand.

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