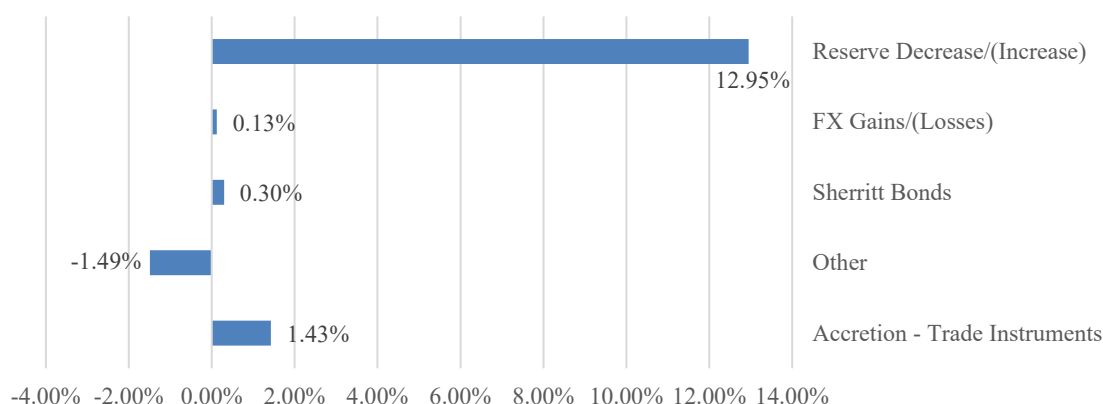


08th February 2024

Dear Investor,

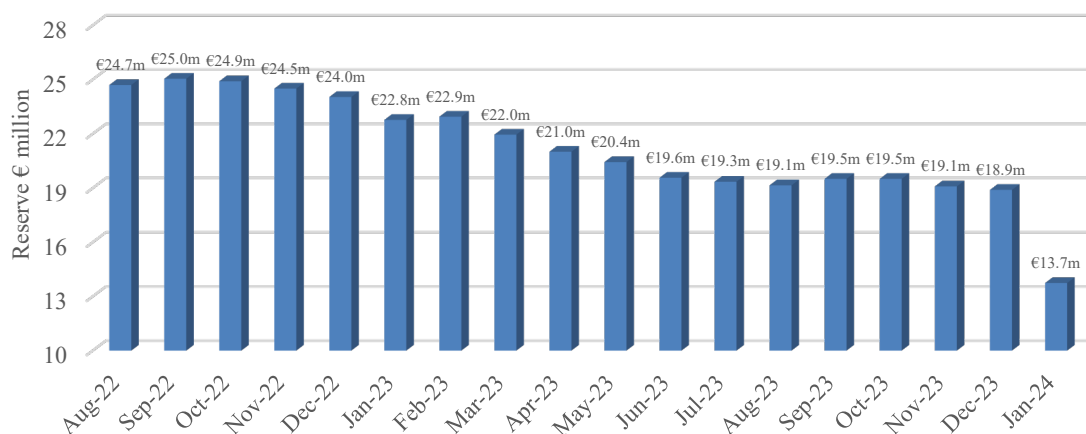
In our [last month's letter](#), we hinted that we may be able to release some reserves. We have been able to do this at the end of January. You can see below that the main reason for our strong January performance was this reduction of reserves¹.

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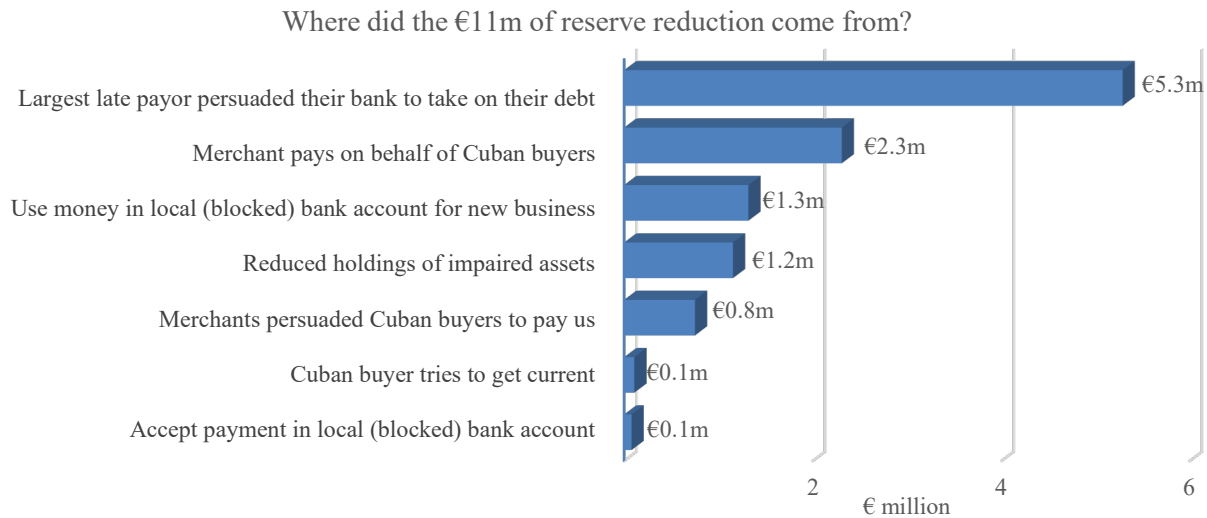
We explained last month that we were able to enhance the credit of \$23million of the phone company's debt to us, with a letter of credit which they asked their bank, BFI to issue in our favour. In return, we extended another \$15million equivalent of credit to the phone company. That, and the interest on all amounts is now covered by BFI Letters of Credit. Those LCs have started to amortise with payments to us coming in on time.

It is now 17 months since we marked our large reserve. In a very difficult economy, we are pleased with the way relationships and patience have resulted in good outcomes for some of our problem assets. Of the €24.7million that we marked as our reserve in August 2022, we have been able to mark back €11million. Let's look at the speed at which that has happened.



¹ We are guided by PricewaterhouseCoopers, our auditors on the prudent level of reserves.

We are also interested in why we have been able to generate value from these assets. viz...



After this experience, we are cautiously optimistic that we will eventually be able to reclaim much of our remaining reserve of €13.7million. This will depend on continuing to realise our delinquent assets (high reserves) and redeploying into performing assets (low reserves). Then, to write back even more of the reserve, we will need to demonstrate to our auditors that these performing assets are over-impaired. Each €1million of reserve writeback results in 1.7% of gains to investors at the current fund size. This would add to the ambient mid-teens % returns to investors that we were able to make before delinquency and reserves got in the way.

The Cuban economy continues to suffer from the after-effects of the pandemic on tourism and sanctions on Russia, added to the hardened US embargo enacted by Mr. Trump. While we are being permitted to mark-up NAV based on some successes, much hard work and risk lie ahead. The fund has now produced 10.8% per annum since inception and 38.9% in the past 12 months¹. Clearly, some more successes in working out our problem assets could continue to produce high returns.

Yours sincerely,

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Director

William White
Investment Advisor

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