



## **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 Growth (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, 2021 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](http://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](http://www.russell.com). Thank you for investing in Russell Investments Canada Limited.



**Russell Investments Balanced Growth  
PFIC Annual Information Statement  
For the Year Ending December 31, 2021**

1) This Information Statement applies to the taxable year of the Fund for the year beginning January 1, 2021 and ending on December 31, 2021.

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\$)	Net Capital Gains (US\$)
Series B	0.144749	0.264476
Series B7	1.049635	1.925831
Series E	0.315400	0.590218
Series F	0.328425	0.735519
Series F2	0.267548	0.605159
Series F7	1.249368	2.879237
Series O	3.015431	7.674691

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, 2021 through December 31, 2021, multiply the number of such units by the amounts above.
- ii. If you did not own the same number of units from January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021, multiply the number of units you owned by the amounts above as well as by the number of days the units were held in 2021 and divide the result by 365.

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	Property Distributions (US\$)	Cash Distributions (US\$)
Series B	0.438233	0.000000
Series B7	3.200990	0.000000
Series E	0.963658	0.000000
Series F	1.234249	0.000000
Series F2	0.937469	0.000000
Series F7	4.333724	0.000000
Series O	11.457545	0.000000

<sup>1</sup> Cash distributions only represent distributions in U.S. currency. Distributions in Canadian currency are reported as property distributions for U.S. tax purposes.

<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.



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, 2021 through December 31, 2021, multiply the number of such units by the amounts above.
  - ii. If you did not own same number of units from January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021, multiply the number of units you owned by the amounts above as well by the number of days the units were held in 2021 and divide the result by 365.
- 4) Please note that for reporting purposes you may need to separately report your pro-rata share of income and pro-rata 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
<b>Series B</b>			
Russell Investments Balanced Growth	0.000000	0.131890	2021-12-31
Russell Investments Canadian Fixed Income Fund - Series B	0.032272	0.002625	2021-12-31
Russell Investments Emerging Markets Equity Pool - Series O	0.009755	0.035988	2021-12-31
Russell Investments Global Credit Pool - Series O	0.016370	0.000000	2021-12-31
Russell Investments Global Equity Pool - Series O	0.022192	0.032303	2021-12-31
Russell Investments Global Infrastructure Pool - Series O	0.006231	0.000000	2021-12-31
Russell Investments Global Real Estate Pool - Series O	0.009011	0.005165	2021-12-31
Russell Investments Global Smaller Companies Pool - Series O	0.020315	0.013599	2021-12-31
Russell Investments Global Unconstrained Bond Pool - Series O	0.000000	0.000000	2021-12-31
Russell Investments Multi-Factor Canadian Equity Pool - Series O	0.016614	0.018834	2021-12-31
Russell Investments Multi-Factor International Equity Pool - Series O	0.007157	0.007041	2021-12-31
Russell Investments Multi-factor US Equity Pool - Series O	0.004832	0.017031	2021-12-31
Total	0.144749	0.264476	
<b>Series B7</b>			
Russell Investments Balanced Growth	0.000000	0.964397	2021-12-31
Russell Investments Canadian Fixed Income Fund - Series B	0.234020	0.019032	2021-12-31
Russell Investments Emerging Markets Equity Pool - Series O	0.070736	0.260965	2021-12-31
Russell Investments Global Credit Pool - Series O	0.118705	0.000000	2021-12-31
Russell Investments Global Equity Pool - Series O	0.160921	0.234243	2021-12-31
Russell Investments Global Infrastructure Pool - Series O	0.045181	0.000000	2021-12-31
Russell Investments Global Real Estate Pool - Series O	0.065342	0.037453	2021-12-31
Russell Investments Global Smaller Companies Pool - Series O	0.147314	0.098611	2021-12-31
Russell Investments Global Unconstrained Bond Pool - Series O	0.000000	0.000000	2021-12-31
Russell Investments Multi-Factor Canadian Equity Pool - Series O	0.120477	0.136572	2021-12-31
Russell Investments Multi-Factor International Equity Pool - Series O	0.051897	0.051058	2021-12-31
Russell Investments Multi-factor US Equity Pool - Series O	0.035041	0.123499	2021-12-31
Total	1.049635	1.925831	
<b>Series E</b>			
Russell Investments Balanced Growth	0.000000	0.301321	2021-12-31
Russell Investments Canadian Fixed Income Fund - Series B	0.070319	0.005719	2021-12-31
Russell Investments Emerging Markets Equity Pool - Series O	0.021255	0.078416	2021-12-31
Russell Investments Global Credit Pool - Series O	0.035669	0.000000	2021-12-31
Russell Investments Global Equity Pool - Series O	0.048355	0.070387	2021-12-31
Russell Investments Global Infrastructure Pool - Series O	0.013576	0.000000	2021-12-31
Russell Investments Global Real Estate Pool - Series O	0.019634	0.011254	2021-12-31
Russell Investments Global Smaller Companies Pool - Series O	0.044266	0.029631	2021-12-31



	Ordinary Earnings (US\$)	Net Capital Gains (US\$)	Year End
Russell Investments Global Unconstrained Bond Pool - Series O	0.000000	0.000000	2021-12-31
Russell Investments Multi-Factor Canadian Equity Pool - Series O	0.036202	0.041038	2021-12-31
Russell Investments Multi-Factor International Equity Pool - Series O	0.015594	0.015342	2021-12-31
Russell Investments Multi-factor US Equity Pool - Series O	0.010529	0.037110	2021-12-31
Total	0.315400	0.590218	
Series F			
Russell Investments Balanced Growth	0.000000	0.434692	2021-12-31
Russell Investments Canadian Fixed Income Fund - Series B	0.073223	0.005955	2021-12-31
Russell Investments Emerging Markets Equity Pool - Series O	0.022133	0.081655	2021-12-31
Russell Investments Global Credit Pool - Series O	0.037142	0.000000	2021-12-31
Russell Investments Global Equity Pool - Series O	0.050351	0.073293	2021-12-31
Russell Investments Global Infrastructure Pool - Series O	0.014137	0.000000	2021-12-31
Russell Investments Global Real Estate Pool - Series O	0.020445	0.011719	2021-12-31
Russell Investments Global Smaller Companies Pool - Series O	0.046094	0.030855	2021-12-31
Russell Investments Global Unconstrained Bond Pool - Series O	0.000000	0.000000	2021-12-31
Russell Investments Multi-Factor Canadian Equity Pool - Series O	0.037697	0.042733	2021-12-31
Russell Investments Multi-Factor International Equity Pool - Series O	0.016238	0.015976	2021-12-31
Russell Investments Multi-factor US Equity Pool - Series O	0.010964	0.038642	2021-12-31
Total	0.328425	0.735519	
Series F2			
Russell Investments Balanced Growth	0.000000	0.360093	2021-12-31
Russell Investments Canadian Fixed Income Fund - Series B	0.059651	0.004851	2021-12-31
Russell Investments Emerging Markets Equity Pool - Series O	0.018030	0.066519	2021-12-31
Russell Investments Global Credit Pool - Series O	0.030258	0.000000	2021-12-31
Russell Investments Global Equity Pool - Series O	0.041018	0.059708	2021-12-31
Russell Investments Global Infrastructure Pool - Series O	0.011516	0.000000	2021-12-31
Russell Investments Global Real Estate Pool - Series O	0.016655	0.009547	2021-12-31
Russell Investments Global Smaller Companies Pool - Series O	0.037550	0.025136	2021-12-31
Russell Investments Global Unconstrained Bond Pool - Series O	0.000000	0.000000	2021-12-31
Russell Investments Multi-Factor Canadian Equity Pool - Series O	0.030709	0.034812	2021-12-31
Russell Investments Multi-Factor International Equity Pool - Series O	0.013228	0.013015	2021-12-31
Russell Investments Multi-factor US Equity Pool - Series O	0.008932	0.031480	2021-12-31
Total	0.267548	0.605159	
Series F7			
Russell Investments Balanced Growth	0.000000	1.734853	2021-12-31
Russell Investments Canadian Fixed Income Fund - Series B	0.278551	0.022654	2021-12-31
Russell Investments Emerging Markets Equity Pool - Series O	0.084196	0.310624	2021-12-31
Russell Investments Global Credit Pool - Series O	0.141294	0.000000	2021-12-31
Russell Investments Global Equity Pool - Series O	0.191543	0.278817	2021-12-31
Russell Investments Global Infrastructure Pool - Series O	0.053778	0.000000	2021-12-31
Russell Investments Global Real Estate Pool - Series O	0.077775	0.044580	2021-12-31
Russell Investments Global Smaller Companies Pool - Series O	0.175346	0.117376	2021-12-31
Russell Investments Global Unconstrained Bond Pool - Series O	0.000000	0.000000	2021-12-31
Russell Investments Multi-Factor Canadian Equity Pool - Series O	0.143402	0.162560	2021-12-31
Russell Investments Multi-Factor International Equity Pool - Series O	0.061773	0.060774	2021-12-31
Russell Investments Multi-factor US Equity Pool - Series O	0.041709	0.147000	2021-12-31
Total	1.249368	2.879237	
Series O			
Russell Investments Balanced Growth	0.000000	4.912648	2021-12-31
Russell Investments Canadian Fixed Income Fund - Series B	0.672301	0.054676	2021-12-31
Russell Investments Emerging Markets Equity Pool - Series O	0.203213	0.749711	2021-12-31
Russell Investments Global Credit Pool - Series O	0.341021	0.000000	2021-12-31
Russell Investments Global Equity Pool - Series O	0.462301	0.672942	2021-12-31
Russell Investments Global Infrastructure Pool - Series O	0.129798	0.000000	2021-12-31
Russell Investments Global Real Estate Pool - Series O	0.187716	0.107597	2021-12-31
Russell Investments Global Smaller Companies Pool - Series O	0.423209	0.283293	2021-12-31
Russell Investments Global Unconstrained Bond Pool - Series O	0.000000	0.000000	2021-12-31
Russell Investments Multi-Factor Canadian Equity Pool - Series O	0.346111	0.392348	2021-12-31



	Ordinary Earnings (US\$)	Net Capital Gains (US\$)	Year End
Russell Investments Multi-Factor International Equity Pool - Series O	0.149093	0.146682	2021-12-31
Russell Investments Multi-factor US Equity Pool - Series O	0.100668	0.354793	2021-12-31
Total	3.015431	7.674691	

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:

	Property Distributions (US\$)	Cash Distributions (US\$)
Series B		
Russell Investments Canadian Fixed Income Fund - Series B	0.045570	0.000000
Russell Investments Emerging Markets Equity Pool - Series O	0.031434	0.000000
Russell Investments Global Credit Pool - Series O	0.022243	0.000000
Russell Investments Global Equity Pool - Series O	0.043070	0.000000
Russell Investments Global Infrastructure Pool - Series O	0.004712	0.000000
Russell Investments Global Real Estate Pool - Series O	0.006329	0.000000
Russell Investments Global Smaller Companies Pool - Series O	0.023192	0.000000
Russell Investments Global Unconstrained Bond Pool - Series O	0.026586	0.000000
Russell Investments Multi-Factor Canadian Equity Pool - Series O	0.010766	0.000000
Russell Investments Multi-Factor International Equity Pool - Series O	0.006491	0.000000
Russell Investments Multi-factor US Equity Pool - Series O	0.012658	0.000000
Series B7		
Russell Investments Canadian Fixed Income Fund - Series B	0.330447	0.000000
Russell Investments Emerging Markets Equity Pool - Series O	0.227943	0.000000
Russell Investments Global Credit Pool - Series O	0.161295	0.000000
Russell Investments Global Equity Pool - Series O	0.312317	0.000000
Russell Investments Global Infrastructure Pool - Series O	0.034169	0.000000
Russell Investments Global Real Estate Pool - Series O	0.045896	0.000000
Russell Investments Global Smaller Companies Pool - Series O	0.168177	0.000000
Russell Investments Global Unconstrained Bond Pool - Series O	0.192783	0.000000
Russell Investments Multi-Factor Canadian Equity Pool - Series O	0.078065	0.000000
Russell Investments Multi-Factor International Equity Pool - Series O	0.047072	0.000000
Russell Investments Multi-factor US Equity Pool - Series O	0.091788	0.000000
Series E		
Russell Investments Canadian Fixed Income Fund - Series B	0.099295	0.000000
Russell Investments Emerging Markets Equity Pool - Series O	0.068494	0.000000
Russell Investments Global Credit Pool - Series O	0.048467	0.000000
Russell Investments Global Equity Pool - Series O	0.093846	0.000000
Russell Investments Global Infrastructure Pool - Series O	0.010267	0.000000
Russell Investments Global Real Estate Pool - Series O	0.013791	0.000000
Russell Investments Global Smaller Companies Pool - Series O	0.050535	0.000000
Russell Investments Global Unconstrained Bond Pool - Series O	0.057928	0.000000
Russell Investments Multi-Factor Canadian Equity Pool - Series O	0.023457	0.000000
Russell Investments Multi-Factor International Equity Pool - Series O	0.014144	0.000000
Russell Investments Multi-factor US Equity Pool - Series O	0.027581	0.000000
Series F		
Russell Investments Canadian Fixed Income Fund - Series B	0.103395	0.000000
Russell Investments Emerging Markets Equity Pool - Series O	0.071322	0.000000
Russell Investments Global Credit Pool - Series O	0.050468	0.000000
Russell Investments Global Equity Pool - Series O	0.097722	0.000000
Russell Investments Global Infrastructure Pool - Series O	0.010691	0.000000
Russell Investments Global Real Estate Pool - Series O	0.014361	0.000000
Russell Investments Global Smaller Companies Pool - Series O	0.052622	0.000000
Russell Investments Global Unconstrained Bond Pool - Series O	0.060321	0.000000
Russell Investments Multi-Factor Canadian Equity Pool - Series O	0.024426	0.000000
Russell Investments Multi-Factor International Equity Pool - Series O	0.014729	0.000000



	Property Distributions (US\$)	Cash Distributions (US\$)
Russell Investments Multi-factor US Equity Pool - Series O	0.028720	0.000000
Series F2		
Russell Investments Canadian Fixed Income Fund - Series B	0.084230	0.000000
Russell Investments Emerging Markets Equity Pool - Series O	0.058102	0.000000
Russell Investments Global Credit Pool - Series O	0.041114	0.000000
Russell Investments Global Equity Pool - Series O	0.079608	0.000000
Russell Investments Global Infrastructure Pool - Series O	0.008710	0.000000
Russell Investments Global Real Estate Pool - Series O	0.011699	0.000000
Russell Investments Global Smaller Companies Pool - Series O	0.042868	0.000000
Russell Investments Global Unconstrained Bond Pool - Series O	0.049140	0.000000
Russell Investments Multi-Factor Canadian Equity Pool - Series O	0.019899	0.000000
Russell Investments Multi-Factor International Equity Pool - Series O	0.011999	0.000000
Russell Investments Multi-factor US Equity Pool - Series O	0.023396	0.000000
Series F7		
Russell Investments Canadian Fixed Income Fund - Series B	0.393328	0.000000
Russell Investments Emerging Markets Equity Pool - Series O	0.271318	0.000000
Russell Investments Global Credit Pool - Series O	0.191988	0.000000
Russell Investments Global Equity Pool - Series O	0.371747	0.000000
Russell Investments Global Infrastructure Pool - Series O	0.040672	0.000000
Russell Investments Global Real Estate Pool - Series O	0.054630	0.000000
Russell Investments Global Smaller Companies Pool - Series O	0.200179	0.000000
Russell Investments Global Unconstrained Bond Pool - Series O	0.229467	0.000000
Russell Investments Multi-Factor Canadian Equity Pool - Series O	0.092920	0.000000
Russell Investments Multi-Factor International Equity Pool - Series O	0.056029	0.000000
Russell Investments Multi-factor US Equity Pool - Series O	0.109254	0.000000
Series O		
Russell Investments Canadian Fixed Income Fund - Series B	0.949322	0.000000
Russell Investments Emerging Markets Equity Pool - Series O	0.654843	0.000000
Russell Investments Global Credit Pool - Series O	0.463375	0.000000
Russell Investments Global Equity Pool - Series O	0.897235	0.000000
Russell Investments Global Infrastructure Pool - Series O	0.098163	0.000000
Russell Investments Global Real Estate Pool - Series O	0.131852	0.000000
Russell Investments Global Smaller Companies Pool - Series O	0.483145	0.000000
Russell Investments Global Unconstrained Bond Pool - Series O	0.553834	0.000000
Russell Investments Multi-Factor Canadian Equity Pool - Series O	0.224269	0.000000
Russell Investments Multi-Factor International Equity Pool - Series O	0.135231	0.000000
Russell Investments Multi-factor US Equity Pool - Series O	0.263692	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>

*“Chris Brown”*

By: Chris Brown  
Title: Chief Financial Officer  
Date: April 11, 2022

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 [WWW.RUSSELLINVESTMENTS.COM](http://WWW.RUSSELLINVESTMENTS.COM). 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.

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<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.