



## **BMO** Tactical Balanced ETF Fund Highlights

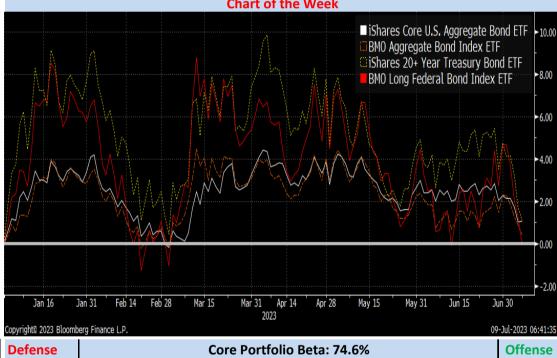
## Core Tactical/Strategic Portfolio Outlook/Adjustments

We added duration in the bond portfolio last week buying TLT and selling ZST as long yields moved back above 4.00%. We are looking to go to max duration to play for a hard economic landing. This buy replaces the sells in recent weeks on bond rallies. In equities, we are looking to add exposure to some oversold areas that should to well in a hard landing scenario. Gold (GDX) stands out to us as the key sector here. When the FOMC is able to cut rates again, odds are we see negative real yields again. The caveat is the fear of igniting inflation again. Another area of interest are the non-China EM markets. While we like China tech that will benefit from emerging Asia, we are increasingly concerned about China's longer-term growth challenges. We now have China in a tactical sleeve versus a strategic overweight. We see good value now, but longer-term underperformance is likely. Increasingly, India (FLIN) is a strategic overweight. Similar thinking for Vietnam and Thailand. We had shifted to Indonesia last year from Thailand. It's now time to switch back

Top Holdings				
Ticker	Name	Position		
ZEM	BMO MSCI Emerging Markets Index ETF	15.4%		
RSP	Invesco S&P 500 Equal Weight ETF	15.0%		
TLT	iShares 20+ Year Treasury Bond ETF	11.3%		
ZDM	BMO MSCI EAFE Hedged to CAD Index ETF	10.1%		
ZST	BMO Ultra Short-Term Bond ETF	9.0%		
ZUE	BMO S&P 500 Hedged to CAD Index ETF	8.4%		
KWEB	KraneShares CSI China Internet ETF	3.3%		
RSPT	Invesco S&P 500 Equal Weight Technology ETF	2.9%		
CIBR	First Trust NASDAQ Cybersecurity ETF	2.7%		
URA	Global X Uranium ETF	2.5%		
XBI	SPDR S&P Biotech ETF	2.4%		
КВА	KraneShares Bosera MSCI China A 50 Connect Index ETF	1.9%		
XLP	Consumer Staples Select Sector SPDR Fund	1.9%		
ZCLN	BMO Clean Energy Index ETF	1.9%		
FLKR	Franklin FTSE South Korea ETF	1.7%		
BOTZ	Global X Robotics & Artificial Intelligence ETF	1.7%		
FINX	Global X FinTech ETF	1.7%		
MJ	ETFMG Alternative Harvest ETF	1.4%		
FLIN	Franklin FTSE India ETF	1.3%		
GDX	VanEck Gold Miners ETF/USA	1.1%		
	Chart of the Week			

## **Macro Market Strategy**

Our macro indicators suggest a high degree of caution. We believe the message in the yield curve is a hard landing. However, market positioning is very different. While central banks have tired to tighten financial conditions, equity indexes are significantly offsetting. Debt financing is being done in the Bills market, which is favourable for risk premiums. While the behaviour of the tape is encouraging as breadth improves, the leadership stocks remain at extreme valuations. We expect central banks' message of higher for longer should eventually cause a hard landing. The end of the business cycle is a process not an event. We maintain a high degree of protection in the portfolio, which has been a negative in Q2. The market is looking forward to an easing cycle and we believe inflation trends will limit the ability to stimulate compared to past cycles (post 1980s).



**PRO-EYES - Berman's Call** 

The core portfolio beta is 74.6%. The degree of delta protection is -68% while the value of beta protection is 73% of the portfolio. The weighted average cap is: 4400. The weighted average collar is: 4300. The weighted average floor is: 0.

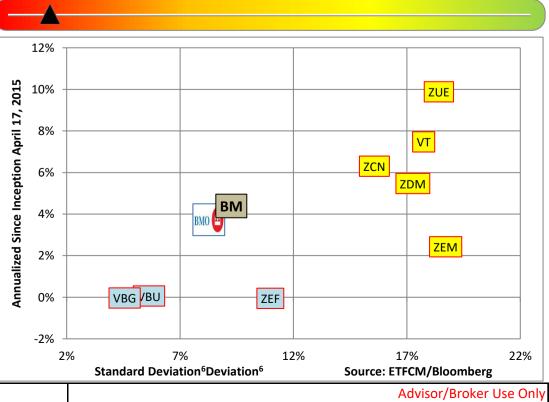
**Risk Level** 

Low

Defense

The tactical PRO-EYEs factor suggests that while some caution is still warranted on business cycle and valuation and that we are likely in a bear market cycle, the tactical component suggests lots of two-way opportunity is likely. Low volatility and sentiment numbers suggests ahigh degree of caution from a tactical perspective.

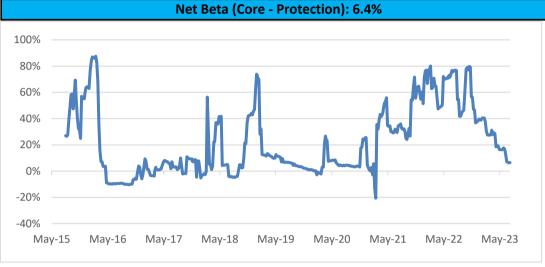
Performance Metrics (A-Series) as of (07/07/23)					
Total Return	Net	Gross	Up/Downside <sup>5</sup>		
YTD	1.20%	2.17%	Upside	21%	
Prev. Month	-1.63%	-1.47%	Down	40%	
Prev. Quarter	-2.82%	-2.34%	Mths Up	59	
Prev. Year	5.80%	7.72%	Mths Dn	38	
Ann. SI (04/17/15)	1.80%	3.72%			
Sharpe Ratio	0.45				
Fund Codes:	Advisor BMO99222; F-Class BMO95222				



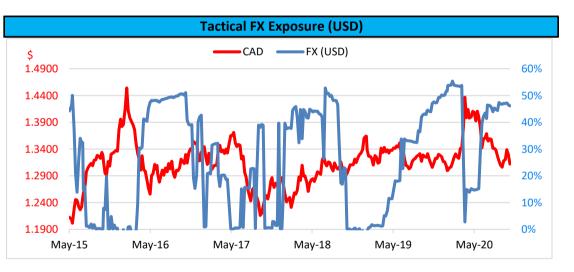
Tactical Asset Allocation					
Equity	N. America	Europe	Asia	Other	90%
07/07/23	60.2%	9.3%	26.3%	4.1%	80%
06/30/23	59.4%	9.5%	26.4%	4.1%	70%
Change	0.8%	-0.2%	0.0%	0.0%	60%
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Bonds	Corp.	Govt.	Pref.	Cash
07/07/23	10.1%	13.1%	0.6%	1.9%
06/30/23	10.9%	11.3%	0.6%	3.3%
Change	-0.8%	1.8%	0.0%	-1.4%
Bonds	Duration			
07/07/23	8.35			
06/30/23	6.99			
Change	1.35			
Sector	07/07/23	06/30/23	Change	BM
Basic Materials	5.9%	6.0%	-0.1%	2.7%
Communications	9.2%	9.2%	0.0%	6.9%
Consumer, Cyclical	8.3%	8.4%	-0.1%	6.8%
Consumer, Non-cyclical	16.0%	16.1%	-0.1%	13.2%
Energy	4.8%	4.9%	-0.1%	3.5%
Financial	16.3%	16.7%	-0.4%	16.8%
Government	13.4%	11.6%	1.7%	27.3%
Industrial	9.0%	9.1%	-0.1%	6.9%
Technology	13.9%	13.9%	-0.1%	12.0%
Utilities	3.3%	3.3%	-0.1%	2.6%

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As of: 07/07/23	07/07/23	06/30/23	Change	
FX (USD)	27.1%	25.2%	1.9%	
Beta <sup>2</sup>	74.6%	74.9%	-0.3%	
Protection	-68.2%	-68.6%	0.5%	
Correlation	83.4%	83.2%	0.1%	
Yield <sup>3</sup>	2.69%	2.69%	0.00%	
ETF Holdings	23	23	0	
Volatility <sup>4</sup>	8.27%	8.25%	0.02%	
CAD	1.3274	1.3242	0.2%	



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