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PORTFOLIO MANAGER: Unigestion Asset Management

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Contributors to performance

- → Overweight in Media & Entertainment and Insurance. Underweight in Software and Utilities.
- → Stock selection in Telecommunication and Technology (MURATA MANUFACTURING CO LTD.).
- → Overweight in Japan, Singapore and Netherlands. Stock picking in Switzerland.

Detractors from performance

- → Overweight in Household Products, Telecommunication and underweight in Banks.
- → Stock Selection in Materials (BARRICK GOLD CORP.), Food (HORMEL FOODS CORP. and GENERAL MILLS INC.), Insurance, Software and Consumer Services (DOMINO'S PIZZA INC.).
- → Overweight in Switzerland and underweight in France. Stock picking in the US (DOMINO'S PIZZA INC. and GILEAD SCIENCES INC.) and Canada.

Major changes to portfolio in the period

- → Increased our allocation to Banks, Consumer Durables and Pharmaceuticals at the expense of Materials, Food and Household Products which were reduced.
- → Increased our allocation to Singapore, France and Japan and reduced our allocation in Canada, Switzerland and the United States.
- → Stocks bought:
 - Metro Inc. COM NPV (Consumer Staples, Canada): Stable Volatility, good diversification (low correlation) with decent growth perspective. Metro's food retail business still benefiting from virus-driven demand.
 - Tyler Technologies Inc. (Technology, U.S.): Stable Volatility, good quality with robust momentum.
 - Regeneron Pharmaceuticals Inc COM USD.001 (Health Care, U.S.): Stable Volatility, good quality with decent momentum.

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Major changes to portfolio in the period (cont'd)

- \rightarrow Stocks sold:
 - Beiersdorf AG ORD NPV (Consumer Staples, Germany): Low quality and momentum. Uncertain pace of sales recovery and deteriorating margin outlook.
 - Kirkland Lake Gold Ltd. COM (Materials, Canada): Recent volatility increase.
 - Franco-Nevada Corp. COM NPV (Materials, Canada): Higher valuation.

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