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Report to Shareholders of the Sintra Fund, Ltd. –February 2024

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Dear Investor,

We are pleased to provide this report for the month of February 2024. The exact monthly investment performance figures will be sent to investors later in March, once the results are calculated by International Fund Management Corp., the Fund's calculation agent.

The Chinese economy was challenged in 2023. After emerging from COVID lockdowns, businesses experienced an initial boom, but the reopening bounce faded, and the property market turmoil worsened. The China A Share market began correcting itself this February as the government stupor towards the capital markets began to wear off. J.P. Morgan predicts that China's economy will expand by 4.8% in 2024, while the International Monetary Fund (IMF) forecasts a slightly more conservative 4.6% growth. Goldman Sachs suggests that Chinese equities may experience the first index gains in four years in 2024. Pundits expect the MSCI China and CSI 300 indices to rise, supported by estimated earnings growth and moderate valuation gains.

Hangcha Group Co. manufactures forklift trucks run on fossil fuels. The company is now moving into the EV space with the building and leasing of battery powered forklift vehicles. The stock lifted 29.87% in February and is up 19.69% year to date. Advancements such as enhanced battery efficiency, extended range capabilities, and rapid charging solutions address the specific needs of industries reliant on electric vehicles, providing improved performance and reducing operational downtime. As companies seek greener and more sustainable alternatives, technological evolution will shape the market outlook. In fact, the industrial electric vehicle market valuation is predicted to reach USD \$64.5 billion by 2032, as reported in a research study by Global Market Insights Inc.

Huaming Power Equipment Co. Ltd. designs, manufactures, and sells power equipment. Electricity transformers, on-load tap-changers which are key components of power transformers, and other related products are included in its product mix. The company's stock rose 16.32% this month, as it tap-danced up 19.12% year to date. The company will participate in bidding for a photovoltaic project in Singapore alongside China International Water & Electric Corporation (S) Pte. Ltd. This collaboration aims to contribute to Singapore's renewable energy goals.

Yantai Jereh Oilfield Services Group Co. Ltd operates as an oilfield equipment developer and solutions provider. The Company's products include well cementing equipment, well fracturing equipment, natural gas compression and transportation equipment. Yantai Jereh Oilfield Services Group also conducts oilfield equipment maintenance and parts sales businesses. This month, its stock price increased 14.57%. The group's most recent quarterly report notes that there was a 30%

increase in sales over the past year. Net income increased 42.32% to \$313.52 million from \$220.30 million in the previous year, and basic earnings per share from continuing operations rose to \$0.32 from \$0.23 a year ago.

Midea Group Co. Ltd. is a global Chinese company that manufactures, markets, and installs household electrical appliances, compressors, and components. Midea also provides services in information technology, corporate investment consultation, software and hardware development, property management and corporate engineering supports. The company stock price increased 7.52% in February and 14.64% year to date. Midea reported total revenue of \$13.14 billion.

In its brand-building, Midea announced the launch of a new community football project in Sao Paulo, Brazil. Midea is currently partnered with Manchester City, one of the biggest football teams in England. The joint initiative will focus upon the education of local youth on football, leadership, and sustainability. The announcement, which came at the beginning of the month, is the latest initiative in Midea's and Manchester City's successful partnership that began in 2020. To date, the partnership has engaged millions of global fans with award-winning activations.

China Merchants Bank Co Ltd., which operates as a commercial bank, experienced a 4.33% increase in its stock this month and advanced 15.17% year-to-date. The Company provides deposits, loans, wealth management, asset custody, finance leasing, investment banking, and other banking services. The company's preliminary 2023 net profit was up 6.22% year on year. Recently, China Merchants Bank announced plans to set up a new bank in collaboration with Chinabank Payments (Beijing) Technology Co. Ltd. China Merchants will own a 70% stake, while the online payments provider will own 30%.

Wanhua Chemical Group Co., Ltd. develops, manufactures, and markets pure isocyanate, polymeric isocyanate, polyurethane, and other related chemical products. The stock advanced 14.15% in February. According to the most recent reported earnings, the company's sales were up 5.9% from 2022 while net income increased by 3.7%. Wanhua Chemical leads the forefront of innovation in the new energy industry with its groundbreaking solutions. Leveraging the integration of battery chemicals into materials, the company declares that it is well-prepared for the progressive future of clean energy. Wanhua Chemical advocates the development of EVs in Europe, strategically positioning itself for LFP (lithium iron phosphate) material production and battery recycling, including hydrometallurgy in the region, for providing competitive battery recycling capacity and opening the door for customers to start a close-looped lifecycle management of batteries.

Companies which have the support of the Chinese government are advancing. It would appear that Government restrictions are circumscribing the influence of innovative startups. Thus, our funds are placed where the government will press forward to allow for successful investment.

Your trust and confidence are greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

John H. Pinto