

# **PlanRock Alternative Growth ETF**PRAE

PlanRock Market Neutral Income ETF
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Annual Financial Statements September 30, 2024

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# PLANROCK ALTERNATIVE GROWTH ETF SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS

# **September 30, 2024**

Shares						F	air Value
	EXCHANGE-TRADED FUNDS — 73.6%						
	COMMODITY - 5.1%						
4,512	ProShares Ultra Gold <sup>(a)</sup>					\$	432,656
	EQUITY - 57.9%						
5,696	Consumer Staples Select Sector SPDR Fund						472,768
7,472	Financial Select Sector SPDR Fund					338,631	
2,669	Health Care Select Sector SPDR Fund						411,079
19,436	Invesco FTSE RAFI US 1000 ETF						789,685
6,009	iShares MSCI EAFE Value ETF						345,698
6,295	iShares Russell 1000 Value ETF						1,194,791
7,057	Real Estate Select Sector SPDR Fund						315,236
10,454	SPDR Portfolio S&P 500 ETF						705,750
4,357	Utilities Select Sector SPDR Fund						351,958
							4,925,596
	FIXED INCOME - 10.6%						
9,171	iShares 20+ Year Treasury Bond ETF						899,675
	TOTAL EXCHANGE-TRADED FUNDS (Cos	st \$5,902,156)					6,257,927
	TOTAL INVESTMENTS - 73.6% (Cost \$5,90	2,156)				\$	6,257,927
	PUT OPTIONS WRITTEN - (1.0)% (Premium	ns received - \$134,12	(5)				(84,750)
	OTHER ASSETS IN EXCESS OF LIABILITY	IES- 27.4%					2,331,581
	NET ASSETS - 100.0%					\$	8,504,758
Contracts(b)							
	WRITTEN FUTURE OPTIONS - (1.0)%	Counterparty	<b>Expiration Date</b>	Exercise Price	Notional Value	F	air Value
	PUT OPTIONS WRITTEN - (1.0)%						
10 10	S&P E-mini 1st Week Future S&P E-mini 3rd Week Future	RJO RJO	11/01/2024 10/18/2024	\$ 5,900 5,740	\$ 2,907,125 2,907,125	\$	64,500 20,250
10	TOTAL FUTURE OPTIONS WRITTEN (Pre.			5,740	2,907,123		84,750
	TOTAL PUTURE OF HONS WRITTEN (FIG.	imums received - \$15	7,143)				07,730

### PLANROCK ALTERNATIVE GROWTH ETF SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS (Continued) September 30, 2024

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#### **OPEN FUTURES CONTRACTS**

Number of						
				Notional	Aj	ppreciation
Contracts	Open Long Futures Contracts	Counterparty	Expiration	Amount(c)	(De	epreciation)
33	CBOE Volatility Index Future	RJO	10/16/2024	\$ 621,803	\$	2,662
14	CBOE Volatility Index Future	RJO	03/19/2025	265,650		(1,190)
6	CBOT US Treasury Bond Future	RJO	12/20/2024	745,125		(3,039)
13	CME Australian Dollar Currency Future	RJO	12/17/2024	900,185		33,085
16	CME British Pound Currency Future	RJO	12/17/2024	1,337,400		28,600
25	CME Canadian Dollar Currency Future	RJO	12/18/2024	1,852,250		9,500
10	CME Euro Foreign Exchange Currency Future	RJO	12/17/2024	1,395,813		11,850
28	Micro E-mini Dow Jones Industrial Average Index Future	RJO	12/23/2024	597,002		11,453
10	Micro E-mini Nasdaq-100 Future	RJO	12/23/2024	405,225		9,989
36	Micro E-mini Russell 2000 Future	RJO	12/23/2024	404,856		7,722
22	Micro E-mini S&P 500 Future	RJO	12/23/2024	639,567		13,639
27	Three-Month SOFR Future	RJO	12/16/2025	6,543,112		12,937
	TOTAL LONG FUTURES CONTRACTS				\$	137,208

#### **OPEN FUTURES CONTRACTS**

					Value	and Unrealized
Number of				Notional	Ap	preciation
Contracts	<b>Open Short Futures Contracts</b>	Counterparty	Expiration	Amount(c)	(De	epreciation)
19	CBOE Volatility Index Future	RJO	01/23/2025	\$ 352,463	\$	1,724
11	CBOE Volatility Index Future	RJO	04/17/2025	209,974		(1,283)
14	CBOE Volatility Index Future	RJO	11/21/2024	253,365		4,073
	TOTAL SHORT FUTURES CONTRACTS				\$	4,514
	TOTAL FUTURES CONTRACTS				\$	141,722

CBOE - Chicago Board Options Exchange

CBOT - Chicago Board of Trade

CME - Chicago Mercantile Exchange

EAFE - Europe, Australasia and Far East

ETF - Exchange-Traded Fund

MSCI - Morgan Stanley Capital International

RJO - R.J. O'Brien & Associates, LLC.

SOFR - Secured Overnight Financing Rate

- (a) Non-income producing security.
- (b) Each contract is equivalent to one futures contract.
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# PLANROCK MARKET NEUTRAL INCOME ETF SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS

# **September 30, 2024**

Shares							Fair Value
	EXCHANGE-TRADED FUNDS — 72.7%						
	ALTERNATIVE - 11.2%						
14,619	iMGP DBi Managed Futures Strategy ETF						\$ 411,232
	<b>EQUITY - 61.5%</b>						
7,973	iShares Emerging Markets Dividend ETF						228,825
4,765	Pacer US Small Cap Cash Cows 100 ETF						221,668
21,143	Return Stacked U.S. Stocks & Futures Yield ETF	7(a)					434,277
2,726	Schwab US Dividend Equity ETF						230,429
1,790	Vanguard High Dividend Yield ETF				229,478		
3,122	Vanguard International High Dividend Yield ETI	F					229,217
4,976	WisdomTree Emerging Markets High Dividend I	Fund					218,994
6,514	WisdomTree US SmallCap Dividend Fund						224,668
8,746	Xtrackers MSCI EAFE High Dividend Yield Equ	uity ETF					235,180
							 2,252,736
	TOTAL EXCHANGE-TRADED FUNDS (Cos	st \$2,564,948)					2,663,968
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	TOTAL INVESTMENTS - 72.7% (Cost \$2,56	4,948)					\$ 2,663,968
	PUT OPTIONS WRITTEN - (0.9)% (Premiur	ns received - \$53,650	))				(33,900)
	OTHER ASSETS IN EXCESS OF LIABILIT	IES- 28.2%					1,032,532
	NET ASSETS - 100.0%						\$ 3,662,600
<b>a</b> )							
Contracts(b)	WRITTEN FUTURE OPTIONS - (0.9)%	Counterparty	Expiration Date	Ever	rcise Price	Notional Value	Fair Value
	PUT OPTIONS WRITTEN - (0.9)%	<u></u>	Expiration Date	Laci		1,000mm , muc	 , , , , ,
4	S&P Emini 1st Week Future	RJO	11/01/2024	\$	5,900	\$ 1,162,850	\$ 25,800
4	S&P Emini 3rd Week Future	RJO	10/18/2024		5,740	1,162,850	8,100
	TOTAL FUTURE OPTIONS WRITTEN (Pre	miums received - \$53	,650)				33,900

#### OPEN FUTURES CONTRACTS

Number of Contracts	Open Long Futures Contracts	Counterparty	Expiration	Notional Amount <sup>(c)</sup>	Ap	and Unrealized preciation preciation)
12	CBOE Volatility Index Future	RJO	10/16/2024 \$	3 226,110	\$	2,283
7	CBOE Volatility Index Future	RJO	03/19/2025	132,825		(595)
	TOTAL LONG FUTURES CONTRACTS				\$	1,688

# PLANROCK MARKET NEUTRAL INCOME ETF SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS (Continued) September 30, 2024

#### OPEN FUTURES CONTRACTS

				Value	and Unrealized
			Notional	Aj	preciation
<b>Open Short Futures Contracts</b>	Counterparty	Expiration	Amount(c)	(De	epreciation)
CBOE Volatility Index Future	RJO	01/23/2025	\$ 166,956	\$	817
CBOE Volatility Index Future	RJO	04/17/2025	114,531		(642)
CBOE Volatility Index Future	RJO	11/21/2024	108,585		1,018
ICE US mini MSCI EAFE Index Future	RJO	12/23/2024	497,560		(9,480)
ICE US MSCI Emerging Markets EM Index Future	RJO	12/23/2024	410,445		(26,350)
Micro E-mini Russell 2000 Future	RJO	12/23/2024	461,086		(8,795)
Micro E-mini S&P 500 Future	RJO	12/23/2024	843,067		(17,987)
TOTAL SHORT FUTURES CONTRACTS				\$	(61,419)
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# STATEMENTS OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

# **September 30, 2024**

	PlanRock Alternative Growth ETF		PlanRock Market Neutral Income ET	
ASSETS				
Investment securities:				
Investments, At cost	\$	5,902,156	\$	2,564,948
Investments, At value	\$	6,257,927	\$	2,663,968
Cash		984,940		791,255
Cash at broker for futures		1,263,937		368,866
Dividends and interest receivable		-		697
Due from Adviser		14,078		5,735
Unrealized appreciation on futures contracts		147,234		4,118
Receivable for investments sold		72,625		29,050
TOTAL ASSETS		8,740,741		3,863,689
LIABILITIES				
Options written, at value				
(Premiums received - \$134,125 and \$53,650, respectively)		84,750		33,900
Payable for investments purchased		65,000		26,000
Unrealized depreciation on futures contracts		5,512		63,849
Payable to related parties		24,870		21,338
Accrued expenses and other liabilities		55,851		56,002
TOTAL LIABILITIES		235,983		201,089
NET ASSETS	\$	8,504,758	\$	3,662,600
Net Assets Consist Of:				
Paid in capital	\$	8,061,068	\$	3,712,595
Accumulated earnings (deficit)		443,690		(49,995)
NET ASSETS	\$	8,504,758	\$	3,662,600
Net Asset Value Per Share:				
Net Assets	\$	8,504,758	\$	3,662,600
Shares of beneficial interest outstanding (\$0 par value, unlimited shares authorized)		250,000		125,000
Net asset value, offering and redemption price per share (Net Assets ÷ Shares				
Outstanding)	\$	34.02	\$	29.30

#### STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

For the Period Ended September 30, 2024 (a)

	PlanRock Alternative Growth ETF		PlanRock Market Neutral Income ETF	
INVESTMENT INCOME				
Dividends	\$	55,334	\$	61,640
Interest		2,435		2,784
TOTAL INVESTMENT INCOME		57,769		64,424
EXPENSES				
Investment advisory fees		56,527		15,991
Administrative services		42,990		35,990
Accounting services fees		27,801		27,801
Professional fees		18,995		11,995
Audit fees		18,816		18,816
Legal fees		12,938		12,939
Trustees fees and expenses		12,938		12,938
Printing and postage expenses		11,761		11,761
Custodian fees		10,390		10,389
Transfer agent fees		7,331		7,331
Insurance expense		3,920		3,921
Other Expenses		13,721		13,721
TOTAL EXPENSES		238,128		183,593
Fees waived/reimbursed by the Adviser		(178,981)		(166,638)
NET EXPENSES		59,147		16,955
NET INVESTMENT INCOME (LOSS)		(1,378)		47,469
REALIZED AND UNREALIZED GAIN (LOSS) ON INVESTMENTS Net realized gain (loss) on:				
In-kind redemptions		341,493		26,774
Investments		(116,051)		29,088
Futures		(197,784)		(225,369)
Future options purchased		(53)		(15)
Future options written		212,088		78,988
		239,693		(90,534)
Net change in unrealized appreciation (deprectiation):				
Investments		355,771		99,020
Futures		141,722		(59,731)
Future options written		49,375		19,750
		546,868		59,039
NET REALIZED AND UNREALIZED GAIN (LOSS) ON INVESTMENTS		786,561		(31,495)
NET INCREASE IN NET ASSETS RESULTING FROM OPERATIONS	\$	785,183	\$	15,974

<sup>(</sup>a) The Funds commenced operations on December 18, 2023.

# PLANROCK ALTERNATIVE GROWTH ETF STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

	Period Ended September 30, 2024 (a)		
FROM OPERATIONS			
Net investment loss	\$	(1,378)	
Net realized gain on investments, futures, future options purchased & future options written		239,693	
Net change in unrealized appreciation on investments, futures & future options written		546,868	
Net increase in net assets resulting from operations		785,183	
FROM SHARES OF BENEFICIAL INTEREST			
Proceeds from shares sold		11,882,126	
Cost of shares redeemed		(4,162,551)	
Net increase in net assets resulting from shares of beneficial interest		7,719,575	
TOTAL INCREASE IN NET ASSETS		8,504,758	
NET ASSETS			
Beginning of Period		-	
End of Period	\$	8,504,758	
SHARE ACTIVITY			
Shares Sold		375,000	
Shares Redeemed		(125,000)	
Net increase in shares of beneficial interest outstanding		250,000	

(a) The Fund commenced operations on December 18, 2023.

# PLANROCK MARKET NEUTRAL INCOME ETF STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

	Period Ended September 30, 2024 (a)		
FROM OPERATIONS	<del></del>		
Net investment income	\$	47,469	
Net realized loss on investments, futures, future options purchased & future options written		(90,534)	
Net change in unrealized appreciation on investments, futures & future options written		59,039	
Net increase in net assets resulting from operations		15,974	
DISTRIBUTIONS TO SHAREHOLDERS			
Total distributions paid:		(39,195)	
Net decrease in net assets resulting from distributions to shareholders		(39,195)	
FROM SHARES OF BENEFICIAL INTEREST			
Proceeds from shares sold		4,434,191	
Cost of shares redeemed		(748,370)	
Net increase in net assets resulting from shares of beneficial interest		3,685,821	
TOTAL INCREASE IN NET ASSETS		3,662,600	
NET ASSETS			
Beginning of Period		-	
End of Period	\$	3,662,600	
SHARE ACTIVITY			
Shares Sold		150,000	
Shares Redeemed		(25,000)	
Net increase in shares of beneficial interest outstanding	-	125,000	
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# PLANROCK ALTERNATIVE GROWTH ETF FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

Per Share Data and Ratios for a Share of Beneficial Interest Outstanding Throughout the Period

	Period Ended September 30, 2024 (1)
Net asset value, beginning of period	\$ 30.00
Activity from investment operations:	
Net investment loss (2,7)	(0.01)
Net realized and unrealized	
gain on investments	4.03
Total from investment operations	4.02
Net asset value, end of period	\$ 34.02
Market price, end of period	\$ 34.09
Total return (3)	13.40% (4)
Market price total return	13.63% (4)
Net assets, at end of period (000s)	\$ 8,505
Ratio of gross expenses to average	
net assets before waiver (6)	5.03% (5)
Ratio of net expenses to average	
net assets after waiver (6)	1.25% (5)
Ratio of net investment loss	
to average net assets (6,7)	(0.03)% (5)
Portfolio Turnover Rate (8)	170% (4)

<sup>(1)</sup> The Fund commenced operations on December 18, 2023.

- (4) Not annualized for periods less than one year.
- (5) Annualized for periods less than one year.
- (6) Does not include the Fund's share of the expenses of the underlying investment companies in which the Fund invests.
- (7) The recognition of investment income by the Fund is affected by the timing and declaration of dividends by the underlying investment companies in which the Fund invests.
- (8) Portfolio turnover rate excludes portfolio securities received or delivered as a result of processing capital share transactions in Creation/Redemption Units.

<sup>(2)</sup> Per share amounts calculated using the average shares method, which more appropriately presents the per share data for the period.

<sup>(3)</sup> Total return is calculated assuming a purchase of shares at net asset value on the first day at a sale at net asset value on the last day of the period. Distributions are assumed, for the purpose of this calculation, to be reinvested at the ex-dividend date net asset value per share on their respective payment dates.

# PLANROCK MARKET NEUTRAL INCOME ETF

#### FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

Per Share Data and Ratios for a Share of Beneficial Interest Outstanding Throughout the Period

	Period Ended ember 30, 2024 (1)	
Net asset value, beginning of period	\$ 30.00	
Activity from investment operations:  Net investment income (2,7)  Net realized and unrealized	0.62	
loss on investments Total from investment operations	 (0.80)	
Less distributions from: Net investment income Total distributions	 (0.52)	
Net asset value, end of period	\$ 29.30	
Market price, end of period	\$ 29.32	
Total return (3)	 (0.58)% (4)	
Market price total return	 (0.52)% (4)	
Net assets, at end of period (000s)	\$ 3,663	
Ratio of gross expenses to average net assets before waiver (6)	10.29% (5)	
Ratio of net expenses to average net assets after waiver (6)	0.95% (5)	
Ratio of net investment income to average net assets (6,7)	2.66% (5)	
Portfolio Turnover Rate (8)	49% (4)	

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# PLANROCK ETFS NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS September 30, 2024

#### 1. ORGANIZATION

PlanRock Alternative Growth ETF and PlanRock Market Neutral Income ETF (collectively, the "Funds") are each a diversified series of shares of beneficial interest of Northern Lights Fund Trust III (the "Trust"), a Delaware statutory trust organized on December 5, 2011. The Trust is registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "1940 Act"), as an open-end management investment company. The Funds are "fund of funds" in that the Funds will generally invest in other investment companies. The investment objectives of the Funds are as follows:

PlanRock Alternative Growth ETF - seeks growth of principal. PlanRock Market Neutral Income ETF - seeks income and capital appreciation.

#### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The following is a summary of significant accounting policies followed by the Funds in preparation of their financial statements. These policies are in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP"). The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of increases and decreases in net assets from operations during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates. The Funds are investment companies and accordingly follow the investment company accounting and reporting guidance of the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") Accounting Standards Codification Topic 946 "Financial Services – Investment Companies" and Accounting Standards Update ("ASU") 2013-08.

Securities Valuation – Securities listed on an exchange are valued at the last reported sale price at the close of the regular trading session of the primary exchange on the business day the value is being determined, or in the case of securities listed on NASDAQ at the NASDAQ Official Closing Price ("NOCP"). In the absence of a sale, such securities shall be valued at the mean between the current bid and ask prices on the day of valuation. Futures and future options are valued at the final settled price or, in the absence of a settled price, at the last sale price on the day of valuation. Debt securities (other than short-term obligations) are valued each day by an independent pricing service approved by the Trust's Board of Trustees (the "Board") based on methods that include consideration of: yields or prices of securities of comparable quality, coupon, maturity and type, indications as to values from dealers, and general market conditions or market quotations from a major market maker in the securities. Investments valued in currencies other than the U.S. dollar are converted to U.S. dollars using exchange rates obtained from pricing services. The independent pricing service does not distinguish between smaller-sized bond positions known as "odd lots" and larger institutional-sized bond positions known as "round lots". A Fund may fair value a particular bond if the advisor does not believe that the round lot value provided by the independent pricing service reflects fair value of the Fund's holding. Short-term debt obligations having 60 days or less remaining until maturity, at time of purchase, may be valued at amortized cost, which approximates fair value. Investments in open-end investment companies are valued at net asset value.

Valuation of Underlying Funds — Each Fund may invest in portfolios of open-end or closed-end investment companies (the "underlying funds"). Underlying open-end investment companies are valued at their respective net asset values as reported by such investment companies. The underlying funds value securities in their portfolios for which market quotations are readily available at their market values (generally the last reported sale price) and all other securities and assets at their fair value by the methods established by the boards of the underlying funds. The shares of many closed-end investment companies, after their initial public offering, frequently trade at a price per share, which is different than the net asset value per share. The difference represents a market premium or market discount of such shares. There can be no assurances that the market discount or market premium on shares of any closed-end investment company purchased by the Funds will not change.

Each Fund may hold investments, such as private investments, interests in commodity pools, other non-traded securities or temporarily illiquid securities, for which market quotations are not readily available or are determined to be unreliable. These securities will be valued using the "fair value" procedures approved by the Board. The Board has delegated execution of these procedures to the advisor as its valuation designee (the "Valuation Designee"). The Board may also enlist third party consultants such as a valuation specialist at a public accounting firm, valuation consultant or financial officer of a security issuer on an as-needed basis to assist the Valuation Designee in determining a security-specific fair value. The Board is responsible for reviewing and approving fair value methodologies utilized by the Valuation Designee, which approval shall be based upon whether the Valuation Designee followed the valuation procedures established by the Board.

#### **NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)**

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Fair Valuation Process - Applicable investments are valued by the Valuation Designee pursuant to valuation procedures established by the Board. For example, fair value determinations are required for the following securities: (i) securities for which market quotations are insufficient or not readily available on a particular business day (including securities for which there is a short and temporary lapse in the provision of a price by the regular pricing source); (ii) securities for which, in the judgment of the Valuation Designee, the prices or values available do not represent the fair value of the instrument; factors which may cause the Valuation Designee to make such a judgment include, but are not limited to, the following: only a bid price or an asked price is available; the spread between bid and asked prices is substantial; the frequency of sales; the thinness of the market; the size of reported trades; and actions of the securities markets, such as the suspension or limitation of trading; (iii) securities determined to be illiquid; and (iv) securities with respect to which an event that will affect the value thereof has occurred (a "significant event") since the closing prices were established on the principal exchange on which they are traded, but prior to a Fund's calculation of its net asset value. Specifically, interests in commodity pools or managed futures pools are valued on a daily basis by reference to the closing market prices of each futures contract or other asset held by a pool, as adjusted for pool expenses. Restricted or illiquid investments, such as private investments or non-traded securities are valued based upon the current bid for the security from two or more independent dealers or other parties reasonably familiar with the facts and circumstances of the security (who should take into consideration all relevant factors as may be appropriate under the circumstances). If a current bid from such independent dealers or other independent parties is unavailable, the Valuation Designee shall determine, the fair value of such security using the following factors: (i) the type of security; (ii) the cost at date of purchase; (iii) the size and nature of a Fund's holdings; (iv) the discount from market value of unrestricted securities of the same class at the time of purchase and subsequent thereto; (v) information as to any transactions or offers with respect to the security; (vi) the nature and duration of restrictions on disposition of the security and the existence of any registration rights; (vii) how the yield of the security compares to similar securities of companies of similar or equal creditworthiness; (viii) the level of recent trades of similar or comparable securities; (ix) the liquidity characteristics of the security; (x) current market conditions; and (xi) the market value of any securities into which the security is convertible or exchangeable.

The Funds utilize various methods to measure the fair value of all of their investments on a recurring basis. GAAP establishes a hierarchy that prioritizes inputs to valuation methods. The three levels of input are:

Level 1 – Unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets and liabilities that a Fund has the ability to access.

Level 2 – Observable inputs other than quoted prices included in Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly. These inputs may include quoted prices for the identical instrument on an inactive market, prices for similar instruments, interest rates, prepayment speeds, credit risk, yield curves, default rates and similar data.

Level 3 – Unobservable inputs for the asset or liability, to the extent relevant observable inputs are not available, representing a Fund's own assumptions about the assumptions a market participant would use in valuing the asset or liability, and would be based on the best information available.

The availability of observable inputs can vary from security to security and is affected by a wide variety of factors, including, for example, the type of security, whether the security is new and not yet established in the marketplace, the liquidity of markets, and other characteristics particular to the security. To the extent that valuation is based on models or inputs that are less observable or unobservable in the market, the determination of fair value requires more judgment. Accordingly, the degree of judgment exercised in determining fair value is greatest for instruments categorized in Level 3.

The inputs used to measure fair value may fall into different levels of the fair value hierarchy. In such cases, for disclosure purposes, the level in the fair value hierarchy within which the fair value measurement falls in its entirety, is determined based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement in its entirety.

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The inputs or methodology used for valuing securities are not necessarily an indication of the risk associated with investing in those securities. The following tables summarize the inputs used as of September 30, 2024 for the Funds' investments measured at fair value:

#### PlanRock Alternative Growth ETF

Assets *	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Exchange Traded Funds	\$ 6,257,927	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 6,257,927
Open Long Futures Contracts	\$ 137,208	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 137,208
Open Short Futures Contracts	4,514	-	-	4,514
Total	\$ 6,399,649	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 6,399,649
Liabilities *				
Put Options Written	\$ 84,750	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 84,750
Total	\$ 84,750	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 84,750

#### PlanRock Market Neutral Income ETF

Assets *	Level 1	Level 2 Level 3				Total
Exchange Traded Funds	\$ 2,663,968	\$ -	\$	-	\$	2,663,968
Open Long Futures Contracts	\$ 1,688	\$ -	\$	-	\$	1,688
Total	\$ 2,665,656	\$ -	\$	-	\$	2,665,656
Liabilities *						
Put Options Written	\$ 33,900	\$ -	\$	-	\$	33,900
Open Short Futures Contracts	\$ 61,419	\$ -	\$	-	\$	61,419
Total	\$ 95,319	\$ -	\$	-	\$	95,319

The Funds did not hold any Level 2 or Level 3 securities during the period.

**Security Transactions and Investment Income** – Investment security transactions are accounted for on a trade date basis. Cost is determined and gains and losses are based upon the specific identification method for both financial statement and federal income tax purposes. Dividend income is recorded on the ex-dividend date and interest income is recorded on an accrual basis. Purchase discounts and premiums on securities are accreted and amortized over the life of the respective securities.

**Exchange Traded Funds** – The Funds may invest in exchange traded funds ("ETFs"). ETFs are a type of fund bought and sold on a securities exchange. An ETF trades like common stock and represents a portfolio of securities. Each Fund may purchase an ETF to gain exposure to a portion of the U.S. or a foreign market. The risks of owning an ETF generally reflect the risks of owning the underlying securities they are designed to track, although the lack of liquidity on an ETF could result in it being more volatile. Additionally, ETFs have fees and expenses that reduce their value.

**Foreign Currency Translations** – The accounting records of the Funds are maintained in U.S. dollars. Investment securities and other assets and liabilities denominated in a foreign currency, and income receipts and expense payments are translated into U.S. dollars using the prevailing exchange rate at the London market close. Purchases and sales of securities are translated into U.S. dollars at the contractual currency rates established at the approximate time of the trade.

Futures Contracts – The Funds are subject to currency price risk, equity price risk and interest rate risk in the normal course of pursuing their investment objectives. A Fund may each purchase or sell futures contracts to hedge against market risk and to reduce return volatility. During the period the futures contracts are open, changes in the value of the contracts are recognized as unrealized gains or losses by "marking to market" on a daily basis to reflect the market value of the contracts at the end of each day's trading. When the contracts are closed, a Fund recognizes a realized gain or loss equal to the difference between the proceeds from, or cost of, the closing transaction and the Fund's basis in the contract. If a Fund was unable to liquidate a futures contract and/or enter into an offsetting closing transaction, the Fund would continue to be subject to market risk with respect to the value of the contracts and continue to be required to maintain the margin deposits on the futures contracts. Risks may exceed amounts recognized in the Statement of Assets and Liabilities. With futures, there is minimal counterparty credit risk to the Funds since futures are exchange traded and the exchange's clearinghouse, as counterparty to all exchange traded futures, guarantees the futures against default.

<sup>\*</sup> Please refer to the Schedule of Investments for industry classifications.

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Option Transactions – The Funds are subject to equity price risk in the normal course of pursuing their investment objectives and each Fund may purchase or sell options to help hedge against risk. When a Fund writes a call option, an amount equal to the premium received is included in the Statement of Assets and Liabilities as a liability. The amount of the liability is subsequently marked-to-market to reflect the current market value of the option. If an option expires on its stipulated expiration date or if a Fund enters into a closing purchase transaction, a gain or loss is realized. If a written call option is exercised, a gain or loss is realized for the sale of the underlying security and the proceeds from the sale are increased by the premium originally received. As writer of an option, a Fund has no control over whether the option will be exercised and, as a result, retains the market risk of an unfavorable change in the price of the security underlying the written option.

Each Fund may purchase put and call options. Put options are purchased to hedge against a decline in the value of securities held in a Fund's portfolio. If such a decline occurs, the put options will permit a Fund to sell the securities underlying such options at the exercise price, or to close out the options at a profit. The premium paid for a put or call option plus any transaction costs will reduce the benefit, if any, realized by a Fund upon exercise of the option, and, unless the price of the underlying security rises or declines sufficiently, the option may expire worthless to the Fund. In addition, in the event that the price of the security in connection with which an option was purchased moves in a direction favorable to a Fund, the benefits realized by the Fund as a result of such favorable movement will be reduced by the amount of the premium paid for the option and related transaction costs. Written and purchased options are non-income producing securities. With purchased options, there is minimal counterparty risk to each Fund since these options are exchange traded and the exchange's clearinghouse, as counterparty to all exchange traded options, guarantees against a possible default.

Market Risk – Overall market risks may also affect the value of the Funds. The market values of securities or other investments owned by the Funds will go up or down, sometimes rapidly or unpredictably. Factors such as economic growth and market conditions, interest rate levels, exchange rates and political events affect the securities markets. Changes in market conditions and interest rates generally do not have the same impact on all types of securities and instruments. Unexpected local, regional or global events and their aftermath, such as war; acts of terrorism; financial, political or social disruptions; natural, environmental or man-made disasters; the spread of infectious illnesses or other public health issues; climate change and climate-related events; recessions and depressions; or other tragedies, catastrophes and events could have a significant impact on the Funds and their investments and could result in increased premiums or discounts to the Funds' net asset value, and may impair market liquidity, thereby increasing liquidity risk. Such events can cause investor fear and panic, which can adversely affect the economies of many companies, sectors, nations, regions and the market in general, in ways that cannot necessarily be foreseen. The Funds could lose money over short periods due to short-term market movements and over longer periods during more prolonged market downturns. During a general market downturn, multiple asset classes may be negatively affected.

**Distributions to Shareholders** – Distributions from net investment income, if any, are declared and paid at least annually and are recorded on the ex-dividend date. The Funds will declare and pay net realized capital gains, if any, annually. The character of income and gains to be distributed is determined in accordance with federal income tax regulations, which may differ from GAAP. These "book/tax" differences are considered either temporary (i.e., deferred losses, capital loss carry forwards) or permanent in nature. To the extent these differences are permanent in nature, such amounts are reclassified within the composition of net assets based on their federal tax-basis treatment; temporary differences do not require classification.

**Federal Income Taxes** – It is the Funds' policy to comply with the requirements of the Internal Revenue Code applicable to regulated investment companies and to distribute all of their taxable income to their shareholders. Therefore, no provision for federal income tax is required. The Funds recognize the tax benefits of uncertain tax positions only where the position is "more likely than not" to be sustained assuming examination by tax authorities. Management has analyzed the Funds' tax positions and has concluded that no liability for unrecognized tax benefits should be recorded related to uncertain tax positions taken on returns or expected to be taken in the Funds' September 30, 2024 year-end tax returns.

Each Fund identifies its major tax jurisdictions as U.S. federal, Ohio, and foreign jurisdictions where the Fund makes significant investments. The Funds are not aware of any tax positions for which it is reasonably possible that the total amounts of unrecognized tax benefits will change materially in the next twelve months. The Funds recognize interest and penalties, if any, related to unrecognized tax benefits as income tax expense in the Statements of Operations. During the period, the Funds did not incur any interest or penalties.

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**Expenses** – Expenses of the Trust that are directly identifiable to a specific fund are charged to that fund. Expenses that are not readily identifiable to a specific fund are allocated in such a manner as deemed equitable, taking into consideration the nature and type of expense and the relative sizes of the funds in the Trust.

**Indemnification** – The Trust indemnifies its Officers and Trustees for certain liabilities that may arise from the performance of their duties to the Trust. Additionally, in the normal course of business, the Funds enter into contracts that contain a variety of representations and warranties and which provide general indemnities. The Funds' maximum exposure under these arrangements is unknown, as this would involve future claims that may be made against the Funds that have not yet occurred. However, based on experience, the Funds expect the risk of loss due to these warranties and indemnities to be remote.

#### 3. INVESTMENT ADVISORY AGREEMENT AND TRANSACTIONS WITH RELATED PARTIES

PlanRock Investment Management, LLC (the "Advisor") serves as investment advisor to the Funds. Subject to the oversight of the Board, the Advisor is responsible for the management of the Funds' investment portfolios. Pursuant to an advisory agreement with the Trust, on behalf of the Funds, the Advisor directs the daily operations of the Funds and supervises the performance of administrative and professional services provided by others. As compensation for its services and the related expenses borne by the Advisor, the PlanRock Alternative Growth ETF computed and accrued daily and paid monthly at an annual rate of 1.20% of the PlanRock Alternative Growth ETF's average daily net assets. As compensation for its services and the related expenses borne by the Advisor, the PlanRock Market Neutral Income ETF pays the Advisor a fee, computed and accrued daily and paid monthly at an annual rate of 0.90% of the PlanRock Market Neutral Income ETF's average daily net assets.

For the period ended September 30, 2024, the Advisor earned advisory fees as follows:

	Adv	isory Fee
PlanRock Alternative Growth ETF	\$	56,527
PlanRock Market Neutral Income ETF	\$	15,991

Pursuant to a series of written contracts (the "Waiver Agreements"), the Advisor has contractually agreed to waive its fees and reimburse expenses of each Fund, until at least December 11, 2024 to ensure that total annual fund operating expenses after fee waiver and/or reimbursement (excluding (i) of any front-end or contingent deferred loads; (ii) brokerage fees and commissions; (iii) acquired fund fees and expenses; (iv) fees and expenses associated with investments in other collective investment vehicles or derivative instruments (including for example option and swap fees and expenses); (v) borrowing costs (such as interest and dividend expense on securities sold short); (vi) taxes; and (vii) extraordinary expenses, such as litigation expenses (which may include indemnification of Fund officers and Trustees, contractual indemnification of Fund service providers (other than the Adviser))) will not exceed 1.25% and 0.95% of the PlanRock Alternative Growth ETF's and PlanRock Market Neutral Income ETF's net assets, respectively. This fee waiver and expense reimbursement are subject to possible recoupment from each Fund within the three years after the fees have been waived or reimbursed, if such recoupment can be achieved within the lesser of the foregoing expense limits in place at the time of recapture. These waiver agreements may be terminated by the Trust's Board of Trustees only on 60 days' written notice to the Adviser.

During the period ended September 30, 2024, the Advisor waived/reimbursed advisory fees pursuant to the Waiver Agreements as follows:

	 Advisory Fee Waiver
PlanRock Alternative Growth ETF	\$ 178,981
PlanRock Market Neutral ETF	\$ 166,638

The above-mentioned fees waived/reimbursed are recapturable though September 30, 2027.

Distributor – The distributor of the Funds is Northern Lights Distributors, LLC (the "Distributor"). The Funds have adopted a distribution and service plan ("Plan") pursuant to Rule 12b-1 under the 1940 Act. Under the Plan, the Funds are authorized to pay distribution fees to the Distributor and other firms that provide distribution and shareholder services ("Service Providers"). If a Service Provider provides these services, a Fund may pay fees at an annual rate not to exceed 0.25% of average daily net assets,

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pursuant to Rule 12b-1 under the 1940 Act. No distribution or service fees are currently paid by the Funds, and there are no current plans to impose these fees. In the event Rule 12b-1 fees were charged, over time they would increase the cost of an investment a the Fund.

In addition, certain affiliates of the Distributor provide services to the Funds as follows:

<u>Ultimus Fund Solutions, LLC ("UFS")</u> – UFS, an affiliate of the Distributor, provides administration and fund accounting services to the Trust. Pursuant to separate servicing agreements with UFS, the Funds pay UFS customary fees for providing administration and fund accounting services to the Funds. Certain officers of the Trust are also officers of UFS, and are not paid any fees directly by the Funds for serving in such capacities.

Northern Lights Compliance Services, LLC ("NLCS") – an affiliate of UFS and the Distributor, provides a Chief Compliance Officer to the Trust, as well as related compliance services, pursuant to a consulting agreement between NLCS and the Trust. Under the terms of such agreement, NLCS receives customary fees from the Funds.

<u>Blu Giant, LLC ("Blu Giant")</u> – an affiliate of UFS and the Distributor, provides EDGAR conversion and filing services as well as print management services for the Funds on an ad-hoc basis. For the provision of these services, Blu Giant receives customary fees from the Funds.

#### 4. INVESTMENT TRANSACTIONS

For the period ended September 30, 2024, cost of purchases and proceeds from sales of portfolio securities (excluding in-kind transactions and short-term investments) for the Funds were as follows:

	 Purchases	Sales			
PlanRock Alternative Growth ETF	\$ 9,202,303	\$	7,734,838		
PlanRock Market Neutral Income ETF	\$ 1,166,380	\$	875,356		

For the period ended September 30, 2024, cost of purchases and proceeds from sales of portfolio securities for in-kind transactions for the Funds were as follows:

	 Purchases	Sales			
PlanRock Alternative Growth ETF	\$ 8,368,356	\$	4,159,106		
PlanRock Market Neutral Income ETF	\$ 2,825,702	\$	607,640		

#### 5. DERIVATIVE TRANSACTIONS

The following is a summary of the effect of derivative instruments on the Funds' Statements of Assets and Liabilities as of September 30, 2024.

#### PlanRock Alternative Growth ETF

Contract Type/Primary Risk Exposure	Statements of Assets and Liabilities	Value			
Equity Contracts/Equity Price Risk	Contracts/Equity Price Risk Options written, at value				
Currency Contracts/Currency Price Risk	Unrealized appreciation/depreciation on futures contracts	83,035			
Equity Contracts/Equity Price Risk	Unrealized appreciation/depreciation on futures contracts	48,789			
Interest Rate Contracts/Interest Rate Risk	Unrealized appreciation/depreciation on futures contracts	9,898			
		141,722			

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Contract Type/Primary Risk Exposure	Statemen	nts of Assets and Liabilities			Value			
Equity Contract/Equity Price Risk	Options	Options written at value						
Equity Contract/Equity Price Risk	Unrealiz	Unrealized appreciation/depreciation on futures contracts						
The following is a summary of the effect September 30, 2024.	of derivative instr	ruments on the Funds' State	ements	of Operations for the peri	od ended			
PlanRock Alternative Growth ETF								
				Change in Unrealized				
Contract type/		Realized Loss		Appreciation				
Primary Risk Exposure		Futures Contracts		On Futures Contracts				
Currency Contracts/Currency Price Risk	\$	(177,380)	\$		83,035			
Equity Contracts/Equity Price Risk		(18,468)			48,789			
Interest Rate Contracts/Interest Rate Risk		(1,936)			9,898			
	\$	(197,784)	\$		141,722			
				Change In Unrealized				
Contract type/		Realized Loss		Appreciation				
Primary Risk Exposure	_	ure Options Purchased		On Future Options Purchase	ed			
Equity Contract/Equity Price Risk	\$	(53)	\$		-			
				Change in Unrealized				
Contract type/		Realized Gain		Appreciation				
Primary Risk Exposure	_	ture Options Written		Future Options Written				
Equity Contracts/Equity Price Risk	\$	212,088	\$		49,375			
PlanRock Market Neutral Income ETF								
	_			Change in Unrealized				
Contract type/	_	Lealized Loss		Depreciation				
Primary Risk Exposure		utures Contracts	Φ	On Futures Contracts	50.501)			
Equity Contracts/Equity Price Risk	\$	(225,369)	\$	(:	59,731)			
				Change In Unrealized				
Contract trues/	T.	tealized Loss		Depreciation				
Contract type/ Primary Risk Exposure	_	e Options Purchased		On Future Options Purchased	_			

			Change In Unrealized		
Contract type/	Realized Gain	Appreciation			
Primary Risk Exposure	 On Future Options Written		On Future Options Written		
Equity Contracts/Equity Price Risk	\$ 78,988	\$	19,750		

Equity Contracts/Equity Price Risk

(15)

The notional value of the derivative instruments outstanding as of September 30, 2024 as disclosed in the Schedules of Investments and the amounts realized and changes in unrealized gains and losses on derivative instruments during the period as disclosed above and within the Statements of Operations serve as indicators of the volume of derivative activity for the Funds.

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#### 6. AGGREGATE UNREALIZED APPRECIATION AND DEPRECIATION – TAX BASIS

The identified cost of investments (including open positions in options) in securities owned by each Fund for federal income tax purposes, and its respective gross unrealized appreciation and depreciation at September 30, 2024, were as follows:

			Gross		Gross	Net	Unrealized	
	Tax	Uı	nrealized	Uı	nrealized	Appreciation		
Fund	 Cost	Ap	preciation	De	preciation	(Deprectiation)		
PlanRock Alternative Growth ETF	\$ 5,817,458	\$	355,771	\$	(52)	\$	355,719	
PlanRock Market Neutral Income ETF	\$ 2,531,048	\$	119,433	\$	(20,413)	\$	99,020	

#### 7. DISTRIBUTIONS TO SHAREHOLDERS AND TAX COMPONENTS OF CAPITAL

The tax character of fund distributions paid for the period ended September 30, 2024 was as follows:

#### For the year ended September 30, 2024:

	Ordinary	Long	g-Term	Re	turn	Tax-Exe	empt			
Portfolio	 Income		Capit	al Gains	of C	apital	Income		Total	
PlanRock Alternative Growth ETF	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$ -	
PlanRock Market Neutral Income ETF		39,195		-		-		-	39,195	

As of September 30, 2024, the components of accumulated earnings/(deficit) on a tax basis were as follows:

	 distributed Ordinary	1	Undistributed Long-Term	Post October Loss and		Capital Loss Carry	ss Other Book/Ta		Unrealized x Appreciation/		Total Accumulated	
Portfolio	Income		Capital Gains	Late Year Loss		Forwards		Differences	(Depreciation)		Earnings/(Deficits)	
PlanRock Alternative Growth ETF	\$ -	\$	89,349	\$ (1,378)	\$	-	\$	- '	355,719	\$	443,690	
PlanRock Market Neutral Income ETF	8,274		-	(157,289)		-		-	99,020		(49,995)	

The difference between book basis and tax basis undistributed net investment income (losses), accumulated net realized gains (losses), and unrealized appreciation (depreciation) from investments is primarily attributable to the tax deferral of losses on wash sales, and mark-to-market on open futures and options.

Late year losses incurred after December 31 within the fiscal year are deemed to arise on the first business day of the following fiscal year for tax purposes. The PlanRock Alternative Growth ETF incurred and elected to defer such late year losses of \$1,378.

Capital losses incurred after October 31 within the fiscal year are deemed to arise on the first business day of the following fiscal year for tax purposes. The PlanRock Market Neutral Income ETF incurred and elected to defer such late year losses of \$157,289.

Permanent book and tax differences, primarily attributable to realized gain (loss) on in-kind redemptions, resulted in reclassifications for the tax year ended September 30, 2024, as follows:

	Paid			
	Ir	ı A	Accumulated	
Portfolio	Capital Ear		nings (Losses)	
PlanRock Alternative Growth ETF	\$ 34	1,493 \$	(341,493)	
PlanRock Market Neutral Income ETF	20	5.774	(26.774)	

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#### 8. CAPITAL SHARE TRANSACTIONS

Shares are not individually redeemable and may be redeemed by the Funds at net asset value only in large blocks known as "Creation Units." Shares are created and redeemed by the Fund only in Creation Unit size aggregations of 10,000 shares. Only Authorized Participants are permitted to purchase or redeem Creation Units from the Funds. An Authorized Participant is either (i) a broker-dealer or other participant in the clearing process through the Continuous Net Settlement System of the National Securities Clearing Corporation or (ii) a DTC participant and, in each case, must have executed a Participant Agreement with the Distributor. Such transactions are generally permitted on an in-kind basis, with a balancing cash component to equate the transaction to the net asset value per share of the relevant Fund on the transaction date. Cash may be substituted equivalent to the value of certain securities generally when they are not available in sufficient quantity for delivery, not eligible for trading by the Authorized Participant or as a result of other market circumstances. In addition, the Funds may impose transaction fees on purchases and redemptions of Fund shares to cover the custodial and other costs incurred by the Funds in effecting trades. A fixed fee payable to the custodian may be imposed on each creation and redemption transaction regardless of the number of Creation Units involved in the transaction ("Fixed Fee"). Purchases and redemptions of Creation Units for cash or involving cash-in-lieu are required to pay an additional variable charge to compensate the Funds and their ongoing shareholders for brokerage and market impact expenses relating to Creation Unit transactions ("Variable Charge," and together with the Fixed Fee, the "Transaction Fees").

The Transaction Fees for the Funds are listed in the table below:

Fixed Fee	Variable Charge
\$250	2.00%*

<sup>\*</sup> As a percentage of the amount invested.

For the period ended September 30, 2024, the fixed and variable fees were as follows:

Fund	Fix	Fixed Fees		Variable Fees	
PlanRock Alternative Growth ETF	\$	2,500	\$	-	
PlanRock Market Neutral Income ETF	\$	1,250	\$	-	

### 9. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Subsequent events after the date of the Statements of Assets and Liabilities have been evaluated through the date the financial statements were issued. Management has determined that no events or transactions occurred requiring adjustment or disclosure in the financial statements.



#### REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Shareholders of PlanRock Alternative Growth ETF and PlanRock Market Neutral Income ETF and Board of Trustees of Northern Lights Fund Trust III

#### Opinion on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying statements of assets and liabilities, including the schedules of investments, of PlanRock Alternative Growth ETF and PlanRock Market Neutral Income ETF (the "Funds"), each a series of Northern Lights Fund Trust III, as of September 30, 2024, the related statements of operations, changes in net assets, and the financial highlights for each of the periods indicated below, and the related notes (collectively referred to as the "financial statements"). In our opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of each of the Funds as of September 30, 2024, the results of their operations, the changes in net assets, and the financial highlights for each of the periods indicated below in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

			Statements of	
		Statements of	Changes in Net	
_	Fund Name	Operations	Assets	Financial Highlights
_	PlanRock Alternative Growth ETF and	For the period from December 18, 2023 (commencement of		
	PlanRock Market Neutral Income ETF	operations) through September 30, 2024		

#### **Basis for Opinion**

These financial statements are the responsibility of the Funds' management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Funds' financial statements based on our audit. We are a public accounting firm registered with the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) ("PCAOB") and are required to be independent with respect to the Funds in accordance with the U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audits to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement whether due to error or fraud.

Our audits included performing procedures to assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to error or fraud, and performing procedures that respond to those risks. Such procedures included examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. Our procedures included confirmation of securities owned as of September 30, 2024, by correspondence with the custodian and brokers. Our audits also included evaluating the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

We have served as the Funds' auditor since 2023.

COHEN & COMPANY, LTD. Philadelphia, Pennsylvania November 27, 2024

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# **2024 TAX INFORMATION (Unaudited)**

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The PlanRock Market Neutral Income ETF intends to elect to pass through shareholders the income tax credit for taxes paid to foreign countries. Foreign source income and foreign tax expense per outstanding share as of fiscal year ended September 30, 2024, were as follows:

#### For fiscal year ended September 30, 2024

Portfolio Portfolio	Forei	Foreign Taxes Paid		Foreign Source Income	
PlanRock Alternative Growth ETF	\$	-	\$	-	
PlanRock Market Neutral Income ETF		0.0260		0.3139	