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Qualified Notice

Declaration Date: February 15, 2018
Record Date: February 26, 2018
Payment Date: February 28, 2018
Distribution per Unit: U.S. \$0.40

This is a "qualified notice" as defined by U.S. Treasury Regulation §1.1446-4(b)(4), and is being made with respect to the distribution of \$0.40 declared by Ares Management, L.P. payable on February 28, 2018.

The distribution of U.S. \$0.40 consists of the following components:

U.S. Interest Income (See Note A)	\$0.0340
U.S. Dividend Income (See Note B)	\$0.2695
Effectively Connected Income (See Note C)	<u>\$0.0965</u>
Distribution Per Unit	<u>\$0.4000</u>

As previously disclosed in various of our public filings, a common unit holder's allocable share of ARES's taxable income may differ from the distribution amount provided above.

Notes:

- (A) Eligible for the U.S. portfolio interest exemption for all ARES unit holders who are not a "10 percent unit holder" within the meaning of §871(h)(3)(B) of the Code. If you are a 10 percent unit holder of ARES, this income is subject to withholding under §1441 of the Code
- (B) Income is subject to withholding under §1441 of the Code
- (C) Income items constitute Effectively Connected Income (ECI) and is subject to withholding under §1446 of the Code