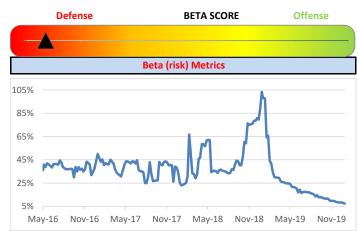
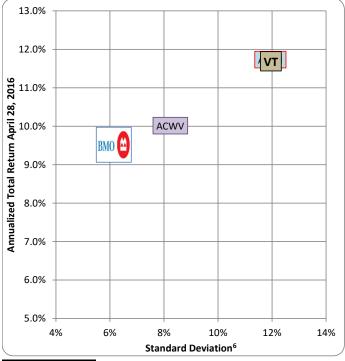
# BMO Tactical Global Growth ETF Fund



As of: Jan 3 2020	01/03/20	12/27/19	Change
FX (USD)	53.9%	51.9%	1.9%
Beta <sup>2</sup>	7.0%	7.5%	-0.5%
Correlation	13.1%	14.4%	-1.3%
Yield <sup>3</sup>	2.99%	3.04%	-0.05%
ETF Holdings	16	16	0
Volatility <sup>4</sup>	6.14%	6.16%	-0.02%
CAD	1.3001	1.3079	-0.6%

Performance Metrics					
Total Return	Net	Gross	Upside/Downside <sup>5</sup>		
YTD	0.16%	0.18%	Upside	35%	
Prev. Qtr.	0.64%	1.12%	Downside	21%	
Prev. Year	13.30%	15.22%	Months Up	34	
Since Inception	31.21%	37.96%	Months Dn	10	
Annualized SI	7.60%	9.52%			
Sharpe Ratio		1.55			



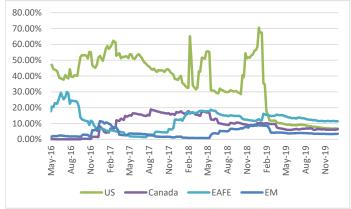
## **Market Strategy (Risk Management)**

DEFENSE: The current beta is 7.0% vs. the benchmark of 100% down from 7.5% last week. What does it say when your top 5 holding in a growth at a reasonable price fund is fixed-income and gold? No different than Berkshire holding \$130B in cash. We are due for a Minsky Moment. There is NO doubt Suleimani is a terrorist and that the world is a better place without him. But what does that uncertainty add to geopolitical risk that is already at epic proportions globally knowing there are dozens of men just like him in the wings. Not much until it does with stock markets at all time highs is the answer. Nothing that has happened in the past few weeks has made us any more excited about taking portfolio risk on including the seemingly ludicrous melt up mode we've seen driven by FOMC\FOMO non-QE QE as it's been called.

Top Holdings				
Ticker	Name	Position		
ZST	BMO Ultra Short-Term Bond ETF	29.0%		
SHV	iShares Short Treasury Bond ETF	24.1%		
TLT	iShares 20+ Year Treasury Bond ETF	9.7%		
EMLC	VanEck Vectors J.P. Morgan EM Local Currency Bond ETF	7.2%		
ZGD	BMO Equal Weight Global Gold Index ETF	6.9%		
ZWP	BMO Europe High Dividend Covered Call ETF	5.6%		
EWUS	iShares MSCI United Kingdom Small-Cap ETF	3.1%		
AMLP	Alerian MLP ETF	2.5%		
DXJ	WisdomTree Japan Hedged Equity Fund	2.4%		
IYZ	iShares US Telecommunications ETF	2.2%		
ZPW	BMO US Put Write ETF	1.4%		
ZWC	BMO Canadian High Dividend Covered Call ETF	1.3%		
EWW	iShares MSCI Mexico ETF	0.8%		
BRF	VanEck Vectors Brazil Small-Cap ETF	0.8%		
EIDO	iShares MSCI Indonesia ETF	0.6%		
INDA	iShares MSCI India ETF	0.3%		
ZLI	BMO Low Volatility International Equity ETF	0.1%		
Total		97.8%		

## **Tactical Asset Allocation**

Equity	US	Canada	EAFE	EM
01/03/20	6.8%	6.3%	11.3%	3.4%
12/27/19	6.8%	6.3%	11.4%	3.4%
Change	0.0%	0.0%	-0.1%	0.0%



Sector	01/03/20	12/27/19	Change	
Financials	2.86%	2.88%	0.0%	
Energy	3.66% 3.64%		0.0%	
Health Care	1.65%	1.66%	0.0%	
Technology	0.97%	0.98%	0.0%	
Industrials	2.43%	2.45%	0.0%	
Discretionary	2.37%	2.39%	0.0%	
Real Estate	0.37%	0.38%	0.0%	
Staples	1.62%	1.64%	0.0%	
Telecom	2.97%	3.00%	0.0%	
Utilities	0.48%	0.48%	0.0%	
Materials	8.42%	8.42%	0.0%	
Government	40.74%	38.84%	1.9%	
Corporate	29.21%	32.45%	-3.2%	
C\$ Cash	2.00%	0.64%	1.4%	
U\$ Cash	0.24%	0.15%	0.1%	
Preferred	0.00%	0.00%	0.0%	
Commodity	0.00%	0.00%	0.0%	

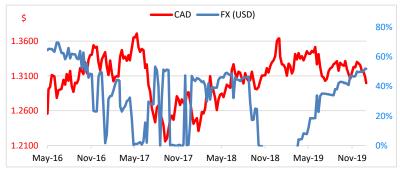
Bonds	Corp.	Govt.	Pref.	Cash
01/03/20	29.2%	40.7%	0.0%	2.2%
12/27/19	32.4%	38.8%	0.0%	0.8%
Change	-3.2%	1.9%	0.0%	1.4%

### **Equity Allocation Country/Sector Trades**

Late in the cycle with the yield curve warning of economic trouble ahead, we MUST err on the side of playing defense. Globally, economic data continues to soften and we are heading into a late cycle recession bear market. There is not much in the policy toolbox to change that though the Fed has ramped up the balance sheet again with more monetization--what sounds like a permanent balance sheet expansion and a permanent policy tool given massive deficits in the future. Crazy to believe that at full employment they need to add stimulus and ease conditions. Japan is cheap and has some great dividend payers. They have been the poster child for anemic growth for decades. Sadly, the US is heading in this direction along with most of the developed world and China that is rapidly aging. There are policy tools to fix the issues, but politically impossible to implement because it largely involves austerity budgets and reduction of promises (benefits) which makes it near impossible to implement. Instead, the world is politically shifting to more extreme polarizations. The nationalism of the extreme RIGHT vs. the socialism of the extreme LEFT. The Trump experience is likely to shift the US to the extreme LEFT and polarization will most likely intensify. Wall Street is not ready for it. It will not likely be good for growth or valuations. Still, parts of the world of EM, Japan, UK assets have some relative value and good dividend payers. Lot's of places to play defense and generate some growth at a reasonable price while we await the next Minsky Moment. In early 2018 it was volatility complacency.

#### Fixed-Income/Currency/Commodity Strategy & Trades

It is clear to us that we are heading for a recession and a sluggish growth environment for several decades. Historically, bonds and duration will play an increasing role in portfolio construction and capital preservation. We have started to nibble at Emerging Market Local currency government debt (EMLC) as well as long duration in USTs (TLT) on weakness. This is a growth at a reasonable price portfolio and we will increasingly seek to grow the portfolio with duration exposure. As the Fed looks to cut rates, gold (and gold equity) exposure should provide some growth as well. A soft US dollar outlook will see us shift assets to higher yielding currencies as well. Emerging market local currency debt seems particularly attractive. As for the C\$, we see it below 70 cents at the trough of the next recession and it should struggle to hold above 76 cents with Canada's economic outlook taking a serious downgrade in Q419. The BoC does not want to inflate the debt bubble by cutting rates more--they may have no choice.



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