



ENFORCEMENT AND INVESTOR PROTECTION DEPARTMENT

SEC ADVISORY

This is to inform the public that “QZ ASSET MANAGEMENT” is NOT AUTHORIZED TO SOLICIT INVESTMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC.

Based on reports and information gathered by the Commission, individuals or groups of persons claiming to represent and operating using the name, “**QZ ASSET MANAGEMENT**” are enticing the public, through social media to invest in the entity.

As posted in its website (www.qzinvest.com), **QZ ASSET MANAGEMENT** is present in over 4 countries and more than 30 locations. It claims to be headquartered in Guangzhou, China and allegedly licensed and regulated by the Asset Management Association of China (AMAC). They further claim that with a client-centric approach, it manages over CNY 50 Billion on behalf of its institutional and private clients. Through its alleged proprietary and award-winning fintech solution - the **QZ Big Data and Artificial Intelligence (BDAI)** analytics, it claims to have consistently achieved strong growth momentum in all market conditions.



Interested investors will be ask to register through the link: login.qzinvest.com after which they may then begin to choose a plan and deposit their investments. **QZ ASSET MANAGEMENT** offers two types of plans: the “Basic Plan” with minimum amount of \$100 up to \$900 and “Elite Plans” with minimum amount Of \$1000 and above. The investor may earn **0.5%-1.0% daily, 3.5%-7.0% weekly and 15%-30% monthly.**

To further entice the investors, **QZ ASSET MANAGEMENT** offers Broker Program Rewards, **10% Affiliate Bonus and 10% Binary Bonus**.

In this regard, the public is made aware that an “*investment contract*,” which is a kind of security, exists when there is an investment or placement of money in a common enterprise with a reasonable expectation of profits to be derived from the efforts of others which is prominent in the scheme of **QZ ASSET MANAGEMENT**.

As such, the Securities Regulation Code (SRC) requires that said offer and/or sale of securities must be duly registered with the Commission and that the concerned entity and/or its agents should have the appropriate registration and/or license to sell such securities to the public.

The transactions entered by **QZ ASSET MANAGEMENT** through their online trading platform are considered “investment contracts” and must be registered with the Commission. The elements are all present as there is an investment of money into the common enterprise known as **QZ ASSET MANAGEMENT** with the expectation of profits depending on the amount of money invested. The profits are also realized without any action from the investor other than to invest their money in **QZ ASSET MANAGEMENT**.

Furthermore, the investment scheme of **QZ ASSET MANAGEMENT** has the characteristics of a “Ponzi Scheme”, promising exorbitant rates of return with little to no risk at all to the investors as exemplified in the case *People of the Philippines vs. Palmy Tibayan and Rico Z. Puerto* (G.R. Nos. 209655-60, 14 January 2015). The offering and selling of investment contracts using the “Ponzi Scheme”, which is fraudulent and unsustainable, is NOT a registerable security. The Commission will not issue a License to Sell Securities to the public, persons or entities engaged in such business or scheme.

The records of the Commission show that **QZ ASSET MANAGEMENT is NOT REGISTERED with the Commission either as a corporation or a partnership. Furthermore, QZ ASSET MANAGEMENT is NOT AUTHORIZED to solicit investments from the public since it has not secured prior registration and/or license from the Commission as prescribed under Sections 8 and 28 of the SRC.**

Hence, the public is advised **NOT TO INVEST** or **STOP INVESTING** in any investment scheme being offered by any individual or group of persons allegedly for or on behalf of **QZ ASSET MANAGEMENT** and to exercise caution in dealing with any individuals or group of persons soliciting investments for and on behalf of it.

Those who act as salesmen, brokers, dealers, agents, representatives, promoters, operators, recruiters, uplines, influencers, endorsers, abettors and enablers of **QZ ASSET MANAGEMENT** in soliciting, selling or convincing people to invest in the investment scheme being offered by said entity including solicitations and recruitment through the internet may be prosecuted and held criminally liable under Section 28 of the SRC and penalized with a maximum fine of Five Million pesos (P5,000,000.00) or a penalty of Twenty-one (21) years of imprisonment or both pursuant to Section 73 of the SRC.

Also, those who invite or recruit others to join or invest in such venture or offer investment contracts or securities to the public may incur criminally liability, or

otherwise be sanctioned or penalized accordingly as held by the Supreme Court in the case of *Securities and Exchange Commission vs. Oudine Santos* (G.R. No. 195542, 19 March 2014).

Should you have any information on any recruitment or securities solicitation activities being undertaken by persons or group of persons claiming to represent **QZ ASSET MANAGEMENT**, you may send your reports to the **Enforcement and Investor Protection Department** through email at epd@sec.gov.ph.

For the guidance of the public.

Makati City, 30 May 2023.