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On August 4th, we published an analysis entitled *Coming Out - As a Bear!*, in which I laid out the case for why I recently started shorting the equity market. Some of the feedback we received wondered why an "FX guy" ponders about the stock market. Now some in the media blame currencies for the rout in the stock market.

The Merk Funds may add valuable diversification benefits because:

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At Merk, we look at the markets from a different perspective. Our research integrates an assessment of high-level global dynamics, but we also study shifts in risk sentiment. As currency investors, we appreciate that correlations are not stable.

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By focusing on currencies, we may be able to generate returns that have a low correlation to investors' portfolios. For example, a long/short currency strategy might not be correlated to a traditional investment portfolio.

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As you evaluate whether your portfolios are positioned for what may lie ahead, **please consider the Merk Funds:**

Best wishes,

Axel

Axel Merk President and Chief Investment Officer Merk Investments

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The request for redemption of shares for gold is subject to a number of risks including but not limited to the potential for the price of gold to decline during the time between the submission of the request and delivery. Delivery may take considerable time depending on your location.

Commodities and commodity-index linked securities may be affected by changes in overall market movements and other factors such as weather, disease, embargoes, or political and regulatory developments, as well as trading activity of speculators and arbitrageurs in the underlying commodities.

*Trust shares trade like stocks, are subject to investment risk and will fluctuate in market value. The value of Trust shares relates directly to the value of the gold held by the Trust (less its expenses), and fluctuations in the price of gold could materially and adversely affect an investment in the shares. The price received upon the sale of the shares, which trade at market price, may be more or less than the value of the gold represented by them. The Trust does not generate any income, and as the Trust regularly issues shares to pay for the Sponsor's ongoing expenses, the amount of gold represented by each Share will decline over time. Investing involves risk, and you could lose money on an investment in the Trust. **For a more complete discussion of the risk factors relative to the Trust, carefully read the prospectus.***

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