



**The Asia Pacific  
Fund, Inc.**

**For Immediate Release**

**THE ASIA PACIFIC FUND DECLARES DIVIDEND**

(New York, New York, January 3, 2006) – The Board of Directors of The Asia Pacific Fund, Inc. (NYSE: APB), has declared a dividend of \$0.12 per share of ordinary income and a distribution of \$0.56 per share of long term capital gains. The dividend is payable on January 13, 2006 to shareholders of record on December 30, 2005 (ex-date December 28, 2005).

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About The Asia Pacific Fund:

The Asia Pacific Fund is a diversified, closed-end management investment company, listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "APB." The investment objective of the Fund is to achieve long-term capital appreciation through investment primarily in equity securities in the Asia Pacific countries (excluding Japan). The Fund is managed by Baring Asset Management (Asia) Limited. For further information on The Asia Pacific Fund, please call our toll free line at 1-888-4-ASIA-PAC or visit [www.asiapacificfund.com](http://www.asiapacificfund.com).