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On February 26, 2018, representatives of Saba Capital Management, L.P. (“Saba”) gave a presentation to representatives of Institutional Shareholder Services Inc. regarding Alpine Total Dynamic Dividend Fund (the “ISS Presentation”). A copy of the ISS Presentation is filed herewith as Exhibit 1.

Exhibit 1

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Alpine Total Dynamic Dividend Fund (AOD) A PRESENTATION TO INSTITUTIONAL SHAREHOLDER SERVICES INC. February 26, 2018

PAGE 2 Saba Capital Strictly Private and Confidential Background • Saba Capital Management owns approximately 9 % of the outstanding shares of the Fund. • We are the Fund's largest shareholder. • We are challenging the Board's sale of the advisory agreement until long suffering shareholders are allowed an exit of NAV. • Shareholders are counting on ISS to provide them better with guidance than is being given to them by the fund's board which is chaired by Samuel Lieber who is conflicted in his recommendation to investors. • Samuel Lieber is the beneficiary of cash proceeds if this advisory agreement vote is to pass, yet has not offered a single consideration to shareholders. How is this fair? • It is Saba's expectation this fund would continue to trade at a substantial discount to NAV under the management of Aberdeen. All of Aberdeen's US listed CEFs trade at discounts to NAV, some as large as 12%. Source: DEF14A 01/04/2018, Bloomberg

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