

ARES STRATEGIC INCOME FUND

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The following table provides an estimate of the source of the December 31th distribution made by Ares Strategic Income Fund (the “Fund”) based on the Fund’s year-to-date activity. This information is being pursuant to Section 19(a) of the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended. This estimate is not intended to be used, nor should it be used, by shareholders in preparing any tax return, determining the amount of any tax due, or for any other tax reporting purposes.

Payment Date	Share Class	CUSIP	Gross Distribution Per Share	Shareholder Servicing Fee	Net Distribution Per Share	Ordinary Taxable Income	Long Term Capital Gains ⁽¹⁾	Return of Capital ⁽²⁾	Interest-Related Dividends ⁽³⁾
1/24/2024	Class I	04020E404	\$0.21430	\$0.00000	\$0.21430	\$0.21430	-	-	100.00%
1/24/2024	Class D	04020E305	\$0.21430	\$0.00574	\$0.20856	\$0.20856	-	-	100.00%
1/24/2024	Class S	04020E206	\$0.21430	\$0.01951	\$0.19479	\$0.19479	-	-	100.00%

- (1) May represent current period realized capital gains, which are subject to change based on the Fund’s investment activity through its calendar year-end. Should the Fund’s net income or capital gains position change, the calendar year-to-date amounts will be updated to reflect those changes.
- (2) This amount may represent a return of the shareholders’ principal, unrealized capital gains that may be recognized prior to the Fund’s calendar year-end, or some combination thereof. Should the Fund’s net income or capital gains position change, the calendar year-to-date amounts will be updated to reflect those changes.
- (3) Percentage of Distributions which are Interest-Related Dividends (commonly referred to as Qualified Interest Income) in accordance with Internal Revenue Code §871(k), that may be exempt from U.S. withholding tax when distributed to non-U.S. shareholders.

In 2024, the Fund will send to shareholders such tax information reporting forms (e.g., Internal Revenue Service Form 1099-DIV) as are required by applicable law. Those tax information reporting forms will contain information that the tax authorities require the Fund to provide to shareholders, which includes information about how the Fund is reporting the character of distributions paid by the Fund to the applicable tax authorities along with other information required to be reported under applicable law.

The Fund does not provide tax advice. Shareholders should consult with their own tax advisers as to the tax consequences of the source of any distributions by the Fund, or any other aspect of holding common shares in the Fund. Any statements as to U.S. tax matters contained in the notice were not intended or written to be used, and cannot be used, by any person for the purpose of avoiding penalties that may be imposed under the Internal Revenue Code or applicable state or local tax law provisions.