

GMO BEYOND CHINA ETF

Quarterly Investment Review

PRODUCT OVERVIEW

The GMO Beyond China ETF seeks to deliver total return by investing primarily in equities of companies GMO believes are positioned to benefit, directly or indirectly, from the expected trend of companies diversifying their supply chains. We believe this secular trend is an attractive investment opportunity driven by a combination of increasing labor costs in China, increasing geopolitical tensions, and increasing focus on supply chain diversification.

The GMO Beyond China ETF will primarily invest in emerging market equities with the exception of Chinese securities. GMO uses a combination of proprietary quantitative and fundamental investment methods to identify emerging market equities that are well positioned to benefit from the expected trend of nearshoring. In addition, GMO will use investment methods that focus on growth, quality, valuation, and other drivers of fundamentals to further identify attractive securities.

MAJOR PERFORMANCE DRIVERS

Global equity markets continued to deliver positive absolute returns across regions, with emerging markets outside China outperforming developed markets, amid enthusiasm for AI infrastructure. This market strength persisted despite ongoing disruptions in the trade of energy, commodities, and other critical products from the Middle East. In this environment, the portfolio's holdings related to the move out of China theme underperformed.

Despite the market uncertainty, three key drivers of supply chain moves out of China remain in place:

1. Increasing labor costs in China
2. Increased risk from geopolitical tensions
3. Diversification from single supplier models

While we remain confident in our long-term investment thesis, we acknowledge that the speed of the move out of China remains uncertain and that the global tariff environment remains fluid.

Country and sector allocation related to the move out of China theme continued to be challenging. Underweight positioning toward Korean Information Technology was the largest detractor, including an underweight toward semiconductor company SK Hynix. Overweight positioning toward areas of the market we expect to benefit from the move out of China also detracted, including Indian Consumer Discretionary and Materials, Vietnam, Mexico, Thailand, and Indonesia.

Some of the biggest benchmark-relative upside was from avoiding areas not expected to benefit from the move out of China, including underweight positioning in South Africa, Saudi Arabia, and Brazil.

Portfolio weights, as a percent of equity, for the positions mentioned were: SK Hynix (0.0%)

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ANNUALIZED RETURNS (USD, %) (QUARTER-END)

	Quarter-End	YTD	1-Year	3-Year	5-Year	10-Year	Since Inception
NAV	28.28	30.12	51.35	-	-	-	43.87
MSCI Emerging Markets ex China	34.53	38.78	63.11	-	-	-	55.94
Market Price	25.94	31.59	52.38	-	-	-	45.00
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NAV Inception Date: 12-Feb-25

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