CERTAIN CLOSED END FUNDS ADVISED BY LEGG MASON PARTNERS FUND ADVISOR, LLC ANNOUNCE APPOINTMENT OF INVESTMENT PROFESSIONAL

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Western Asset Emerging Markets Debt Fund Inc. (NYSE: ESD),
Western Asset Emerging Markets Income Fund Inc. (NYSE: EMD) and
Western Asset Worldwide Income Fund Inc. (NYSE: SBW), which are advised by Legg Mason Partners Fund Advisors, LLC, announced today that, effective May 1, 2013, S. Kenneth Leech will join the portfolio management team for each Fund. The individuals responsible for day-to-day portfolio management, development of investment strategy, oversight and coordination of each Fund are Stephen A. Walsh, S. Kenneth Leech, Keith J. Gardner, Matthew C. Duda and Gordon S. Brown. Messrs. Walsh, Gardner and Duda have been a part of the portfolio management team for each Fund since 2006. Mr. Brown has been a part of the portfolio management team for each Fund since 2012.

Mr. Leech was Chief Investment Officer of Western Asset Management Company ("Western Asset") from 1998 to 2008; Senior Advisor/Chief Investment Officer Emeritus of Western Asset from 2008 to 2013; Co-Chief Investment Officer of Western Asset since 2013 and has been employed by Western Asset as an investment professional for at least the past five years. In addition, Messrs. Walsh, Gardner, and Duda have been employed by Western Asset as investment professionals for at least the past five years. Mr. Brown has been employed by Western Asset as an investment professional since 2011. Prior to joining Western Asset, Mr. Brown was Senior Investment Manager of Emerging Market Rates and Currencies at Baillie Gifford & Co. from 2001 to 2011.

The Funds are managed by Legg Mason Partners Fund Advisor, LLC, and subadvised by Western Asset. Both are wholly owned subsidiaries of Legg Mason, Inc.

An investment in a Fund involves risk, including loss of principal. Investment return and the value of shares will fluctuate. Any data and commentary provided in this press release are for informational purposes only. Legg Mason, Inc. and its affiliates do not engage in selling shares of the Funds.

For more information, please call Investor Relations: 888-777-0102, or consult the Fund's web site at www.lmcef.com.

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