## UNITED STATES OF AMERICA BEFORE THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

## INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940 Release No. 29832 / October 12, 2011

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In the Matter of

HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P. HIGHLAND FUNDS ASSET MANAGEMENT, L.P. HIGHLAND FUNDS I

HIGHLAND FUNDS II NexBank Tower 13455 Noel Road, Suite 800

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## ORDER UNDER SECTION 6(c) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940 GRANTING AN EXEMPTION FROM RULE 12d1-2(a) UNDER THE ACT

Highland Capital Management, L.P., Highland Funds Asset Management, L.P., Highland Funds I and Highland Funds II filed an application on April 8, 2011, and amendments to that application on August 15, 2011, and September 15, 2011, requesting an order under section 6(c) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 ("Act") granting an exemption from rule 12d1-2(a) under the Act. The order would permit open-end management investment companies relying on rule 12d1-2 under the Act to invest in certain financial instruments.

On September 15, 2011, a notice of the filing of the application was issued (Investment Company Act Release No. 29790). The notice gave interested persons an opportunity to request a hearing and stated that an order granting the application would be issued unless a hearing was ordered. No request for a hearing has been filed, and the Commission has not ordered a hearing.

The matter has been considered, and it is found, on the basis of the information set forth in the application, as amended, that granting the requested exemption is appropriate in the

public interest and consistent with the protection of investors and the purposes fairly intended by the policy and provisions of the Act.

Accordingly,

IT IS ORDERED, that the exemption under section 6(c) of the Act from rule 12d1-2(a) under the Act requested by Highland Capital Management, L.P., Highland Funds Asset Management, L.P., Highland Funds I and Highland Funds II (File No. 812-13890) is granted, effective immediately, subject to the condition contained in the application, as amended.

For the Commission, by the Division of Investment Management, under delegated authority.

Elizabeth M. Murphy Secretary