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**DIVIDEND NOTICE
SERIES A PREFERRED SHARES**

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**GABELLI GLOBAL DEAL FUND
DECLARES \$1.0625 QUARTERLY DIVIDEND FOR ITS
8.50% SERIES A CUMULATIVE CALLABLE PREFERRED SHARES**

Rye, NY -- The Board of Trustees of The Gabelli Global Deal Fund (NYSE:GDL) (the "Fund") declared a \$1.0625 per share cash distribution payable on June 26, 2009 to Series A preferred shareholders of record on June 19, 2009.

The Series A Preferred Shares, which trade on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "GDL Pr A", have an annual dividend rate of \$4.25 per share. The Series A Preferred Shares were issued on February 10, 2009 at \$50.00 per share and pay distributions quarterly. The Series A Preferred Shares are callable at any time at the liquidation value of \$50.00 per share plus accrued dividends.

A portion of the distribution may be treated as qualified dividend income for individuals, each subject to the maximum federal income tax rate, which is currently 15% in taxable accounts for individuals. Short-term capital gains, qualified dividend income, ordinary income, and paid-in capital, if any, will be allocated on a pro-rata basis to all distributions to preferred shareholders for the year. Based on the accounting records of the Fund as of May 14, 2009, each of the distributions paid in 2009 would include approximately 62% from net investment income and 38% from paid-in capital. The estimated components of each distribution are provided to shareholders of record in a notice accompanying the distribution and are available on our website (www.gabelli.com). The final determination of the sources of all distributions in 2009 will be made after year end and can vary from the quarterly estimates. All shareholders with taxable accounts will receive written notification regarding the components and tax treatment for all 2009 distributions in early 2010 via Form 1099-DIV.

The Gabelli Global Deal Fund is a non-diversified, closed-end management investment company with \$442 million in total assets whose investment objective is to achieve absolute returns in various market conditions without excessive risk of capital. The Fund is managed by Gabelli Funds, LLC, a subsidiary of GAMCO Investors, Inc. (NYSE:GBL), which is a publicly traded NYSE listed company.