

**CAGAMAS RINGGIT DENOMINATED SUKUK DEMONSTRATE STRENGTH WITH  
OVERSUBSCRIPTION POST MALAYSIA 14<sup>TH</sup> GENERAL ELECTIONS**

**Kuala Lumpur, 21 May 2018** – Cagamas Berhad (“Cagamas” or “the Company”), the National Mortgage Corporation of Malaysia, announced the combined issuance of its Islamic Medium Term Notes (IMTN) and Islamic Commercial Papers (ICP) totaling RM1.805 billion. The respective issuances comprised 5-year RM1.5 billion IMTN and 3-month ICP totaling RM305 million. Both IMTN and ICP will be issued under the Islamic Commodity Murabahah structure where proceeds from the issuance will be used to fund the purchase of Islamic financing from the financial system.

“Despite immense volatility within global markets evidenced by the spike in 10-year U.S Treasury yields surpassing 3.10% at the high alongside heavy local market uncertainty post the most recent 14<sup>th</sup> General Elections, both IMTN and ICP were successfully concluded at competitive pricing. The IMTN which was concluded via public offering received a commendable subscription rate which further enabled the Company to tighten its pricing by 5 basis points from the high of the initial price guidance of 4.55% to 4.50%.” said President/Chief Executive Officer, Datuk Chung Chee Leong.

Datuk Chung also added that the competitive final funding rate which represented 55 basis points above the corresponding 5-year Malaysian Government Investment Issue (MGII) also contributed to the Company’s ability in upsizing the IMTN issuance from an initial RM1.0billion to RM1.50 billion. The order book was well diversified and participated by a varied pool of investors inclusive of sovereign wealth funds, pension funds, new financial institutions, asset managers and insurance corporations.

“With continued demand by investors in the Company’s short term ringgit denominated papers, the RM305 million 3-month ICP concluded was competitively priced at 3.69% on par with the existing 3-month KLIBOR benchmark rate. The conclusion of the deals brings the Company’s total issuance year-to-date to RM6.34 billion,” added Datuk Chung.

The papers, which will be redeemed at their full nominal value upon maturity, are unsecured obligations of the Company, ranking pari passu among themselves and with all other existing unsecured obligations of the Company. They will be listed and tradable under the Scripless Securities Trading System.

## **About Cagamas**

Cagamas Berhad (Cagamas), the National Mortgage Corporation of Malaysia, was established in 1986 to promote the broader spread of home ownership and growth of the secondary mortgage market in Malaysia. It issues corporate bonds and sukuk to finance the purchase of housing loans from financial institutions and non-financial institutions. The provision of liquidity to financial institutions at a reasonable cost to the primary lenders of housing loans encourages further expansion of financing for houses at an affordable cost.

The Cagamas model is well regarded by the World Bank as the most successful secondary mortgage liquidity facility. Cagamas is the second largest issuer of debt instruments after the Government of Malaysia and the largest issuer of AAA corporate bonds and sukuk in the market. Since incorporation in 1986, Cagamas has cumulatively issued circa RM308.2 billion worth of corporate bonds and Sukuk.

Cagamas' corporate bonds and sukuk continue to be assigned the highest ratings of AAA and P1 by RAM Rating Services Berhad and AAA/AAA<sub>IS</sub> and MARC-1/MARC-1<sub>IS</sub> by Malaysian Rating Corporation Berhad, denoting its strong credit quality. Cagamas is also well regarded internationally and has been assigned local and foreign currency long-term issuer ratings of A3 by Moody's Investors Service Inc. that are in line with Malaysian sovereign ratings.

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