

## CAGAMAS CONCLUDES FIRST FOREIGN CURRENCY ISSUANCE FOR 2018 3-YEAR HKD DENOMINATED BOND

**Kuala Lumpur, 12 July 2018 –** Cagamas Berhad ("Cagamas" or "the Company"), the National Mortgage Corporation of Malaysia, announced its Hong Kong Dollar issuance amounting to HKD310 million through its wholly-owned subsidiary, Cagamas Global P.L.C., which will be fully and unconditionally guaranteed by Cagamas Berhad. The Hong Kong Dollar Medium Term Notes, which has a maturity of 3 years, marked the Company's first foreign currency issuance for the year issued under Cagamas' USD 2.5 billion Conventional Multicurrency Medium Term Note (EMTN) Programme.

"The Company's proactive investor engagements and reverse inquiry initiatives generated interest from Hong Kong Dollar (HKD) investors for its papers, which led to the conclusion of this deal. Carrying an issue rating of A3 by Moody's Investor Service, the 3-year HKD310 million issuance was competitively priced at 3.17%, representing a spread of 60 basis points over the corresponding Hong Kong Mid Swap rates (MS) and was fully subscribed by foreign investors," said President/Chief Executive Officer, Datuk Chung Chee Leong.

"We are pleased with the conclusion of the deal as it represents the Company's second issuance and revival within the HKD space. The deal also signifies continued foreign investor confidence in the Company's credit strength post the recent Malaysian 14<sup>th</sup> General Elections. The HKD was priced more competitively compared to raising the funds domestically which further allowed the Company to provide liquidity at an economical cost to domestic financial institutions," 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.

Cagamas National Mortgage Corporation of Malaysia

**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 RM309.6 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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