

## CAGAMAS BEGINS 2018 WITH SUCCESSFUL MULTI TENURED RINGGIT ISSUANCE

**Kuala Lumpur, 19 January 2018 –** Cagamas Berhad ("Cagamas" or "Company"), the National Mortgage Corporation of Malaysia, announced its first issuance of the year - the RM450 million Conventional Medium Term Notes (CMTN) comprising one-, two- and three-year tenures. Proceeds from the issuance will be used to fund the purchase of loan receivables from the financial system.

"Despite broad uncertainty ahead of the upcoming Overnight Policy Rate decision taking place at the first Monetary Policy Committee meeting for the year, Cagamas managed to price its multiple Ringgit issuances comprising RM230 million one-year, RM100 million two-year and RM120 million three-year CMTN competitively. Backed by significant demand, the pricing for the one- and three-year tenured CMTN was tightened from the initial price guidance," said Chief Executive Officer, Datuk Chung Chee Leong.

"We are indeed pleased that the Company has concluded its first issuance for the year, which also marks the country's first AAA issuance in 2018. Despite it being only a half day book building exercise, the multi-tenured bonds which were concluded via a public offering, received commendable response evidenced by a book-to-cover ratio of over two times with subscription from a diverse range of investors including sovereign wealth funds, pension funds, financial institutions and insurance companies," 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 RM302.3 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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