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**TA Investment Declares Income Distribution for 2 Funds**

Kuala Lumpur, 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2017 - TA Investment Management Bhd ("TAIM") has declared a gross income distribution of 0.27 sen per unit (quarterly distribution) for TA Asian Dividend Income Fund ("TADIF") and 2.00 sen for TA Dana OptiMix ("TADO") to the registered unit holders of the Fund as at 31 January 2017.

2016 was a mixed performance year. Selection of markets to invest in was a major factor determining funds' performance. We expect much of the same in 2017 but the movers and shakers should be very different from the previous year. So far, Trumponomics has been positive for the US market. The Dow Jones Industrial Average ("DJI") has been hitting successive highs since Mr Donald Trump won the US presidential election. This renewed optimism in the market stemmed from expected fiscal measures to boost the economy. It would be supported by the tremendous amount of liquidity already in the system. However, the caveat here is that interest rates need to rise to attract fiscal investment. With the US sucking back global liquidity, we expect a more subdued emerging market. There is also the "adjustment period" for changes in US policies. Hence, we would look more at domestic factors for each of the emerging markets.

For Malaysia, there appeared to be some silver linings for the FBMKLCI. The recent recovery in crude oil prices should provide excitement for oversold oil and gas stocks. Expectations of a coming general election ("GE14") may fuel an election rally. We will position our portfolios in line with these expectations. Although inflation would likely pick up after price hiked in crude oil but strong USD/weak Ringgit would unlikely put pressure on BNM to raise interest rates to contain it.

TADIF seeks to provide income and long-term capital appreciation by investing in a collective investment scheme which invests mainly in a portfolio of Asian stocks. TADO seeks to achieve steady capital gains with consistent income over the medium-to long-term by investing in diversified mix of Shariah-approved instruments.

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## NOTE TO THE EDITOR

### *Profile of TA Investment Management Berhad*

TA Investment Management Berhad (TAIM), a subsidiary of TA Securities Holdings Berhad (TASH) was incorporated on 17 April 1995 and commenced operations on 1 July 1996. As at 31st December 2016 TAIM has total assets of 1.03 billion, being a combination of unit trust funds and direct mandate portfolios under its management.

TAIM has more than twenty (20) years of experience in managing unit trust funds with a total of twenty-four (24) funds currently under its management, of which seven (7) are Shariah-compliant funds, two (2) wholesale funds and the remaining fifteen (15) are conventional funds. Its investment portfolio comprises a wide spectrum of funds ranging from low to high risk and caters to the different financial needs and objectives of investors.

TAIM funds are invested in both the local and international markets by an experienced investment team. These unit trust funds are distributed directly to customers as well as through appointed Institutional Unit Trust Advisers (IUTAs) and authorised consultants.

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