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**TA Investment Declares 3.5 sen Distribution for TA Growth Fund**

Kuala Lumpur, 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2017 - TA Investment Management Bhd (“TAIM”) has declared a gross income distribution of 3.5 sen per unit for TA Growth Fund (“TAGF”) to the registered unit holders of the Fund as at 30<sup>th</sup> June 2017.

After a buoyant market performance in the first four months of the year, Malaysian equities were in consolidation mode in May 2017. Major sectors like banks, plantation, gaming and petrochemicals posted double-digit YoY core earnings growth. The BNM has noted an improvement in the global economic and pickup in global trade as well as industry activity and emphasized that at the current level of OPR, the stance of monetary policy is accommodative and supportive of economic activity.

Foreign funds continued to flow into Malaysia as the FBMKLCI play catch up with the regional markets. Year-to-date, there is more than RM9 billion has entered the domestic equity market as compared to outflows of RM 23 billion in the last two years. Direct investments from China have been the key catalyst and this is just the beginning. We remained positive on the Malaysian market though things may get a bit bumpy over the next 1 to 2 months.

On another note, global economies appeared to be universally recovering and heading toward sustained growth although at different speed. Positive news out-weighs negative news and confidence levels are much better compared to earlier years. The recent election outcomes from the Netherlands and France were market-friendly outcomes and this should lay the groundwork for long term recovery in Europe. Barring emergence of new crisis, equity markets should continue to chart growth for the year even though there will be some quiet or volatile months. The key driving forces for the market should be liquidity flows and market valuations.

TAGF aims to achieve steady income and capital growth over the medium to long term period, to its Unitholders by investing in the strong economic growth of the country.

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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 31<sup>st</sup> May 2017 TAIM has total assets of 1.21 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-three (23) funds currently under its management, of which seven (7) are Shariah-compliant funds, and the remaining sixteen (16) 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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