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TA Investment Declares Distribution for 2 Funds

Kuala Lumpur, 1st October 2018 - TA Investment Management Bhd (“TAIM”) has declared a gross income distribution of 2.0 sen for TA Comet Fund (“TACF”) and 1.7 sen for TA Asia Pacific Islamic Balanced Fund (“TAIB”) to the registered unit holders of the Funds as at 28th September 2018.

Emerging and developing Asia is expected to grow at around 6.5% over 2018 to 2019, broadly the same pace as in 2017 regardless of the United States (“US”)-China trade war which has inflicted collateral damage on the region’s export-reliant economies. The region continues to account for over half of world growth. China’s economy is expected to grow in 2019 despite slower than forecasted previously, the fund manager is currently taking advantage of the underweight of Chinese equities as China is beginning to rebound and we expect some money to flow back to China. South Asia is poised to remain as the fastest growing in the region and maintained its growth estimates of 7.0% for this year and 7.2% for next year. While stronger oil prices are helping a recovery in domestic demand in oil exporters, including Saudi Arabia, the fiscal adjustment that is still needed is projected to weigh on growth prospects.

As for Malaysia, the fund manager remains defensive in the short term as fund manager is waiting for markets to correct. The fund manager will also continue to evaluate and search for value stocks to buy at appropriate lower levels. It is also expected that the equity market will stabilize by the fourth quarter of the year with opportunity for markets to rebound. The budget announcement in November 2018 may provide some catalysts for the Malaysian market.

TACF aims to provide a channel for investors to invest in low-priced securities offering good value with great upside potential with a view of diversifying towards medium-priced securities and blue chips as the market moves higher over the medium to long term. TAIB aims to provide steady income and capital growth over the medium to long-term period by focusing its investment in local and Asia Pacific listed and unlisted equities, equity related securities, fixed income securities, participation in mutual funds and other interests in collective investment schemes which are permitted under the Guidelines and complies with Shariah requirements.

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About 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 August 2018, TAIM has total assets of RM1.83 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-two (22) funds currently under its management, of which eight (8) are Shariah-compliant funds and fourteen (14) 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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