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**1.0 KEY FUND INFORMATION** 

1.1 Shariah Concept	1.2 Investment Currency	1.3 Fund Inception
Mudarabah	Ringgit Malaysia	June 2015

#### 1.4 Product Classification

Unrestricted Investment Account refers to a type of investment account whereby the Investment Account Holder (IAH), without specifying any particular restrictions or conditions, provides the Bank with the mandate to make the ultimate decision to invest.

#### 1.5 Investment Objectives

To invest in a low risk Investment Account (IA) that encourages savings while having an opportunity to win prizes via monthly, quarterly and regional draws. IAH may visit <u>www.bankislam.com.my</u> to view the list of winners.

#### 1.6 Investment Strategies

Invest in secured retail financial assets. Currently, the Bank invests in its existing House and Fixed Asset (HFA) Financing Portfolio which is aimed at protecting the investment.

## 1.7 Nature of Investment Account

On demand, whereby IAHs are able to withdraw at any given point in time.

#### **1.8 Investment Asset Allocation**

The Bank will allocate IAH's fund in its existing HFA Financing Portfolio that generates stable profits.

## 1.9 Valuation of Allocated Asset

To be carried out on a monthly basis as part of the process to determine the returns to the IAH. The returns on this investment account will be affected by the performance of the allocated assets including, but not limited to, the quality of assets (i.e. impairment) and movement of Effective Profit Rate (EPR) in relation to financing assets that are priced based on floating rate methods etc. The principal and returns are not guaranteed and an IAH may be exposed to the risk of no returns at all. This investment account is not protected by Perbadanan Insurans Deposit Malaysia (PIDM).

However, the product structure is designed to mitigate the risk of losing the principal amount. In the event of a liquidation scenario, the IAHs are ranked ahead of depositors.

#### 1.10 Distribution Policy

Profit will be distributed on a monthly basis, but will be calculated on a daily basis. The profit is based on the performance of the HFA Financing Portfolio.

#### 1.11 Statement on Any Changes

There have been no changes in the investment objectives, strategies, restrictions and limitations during the quarter period.

#### 1.12 Investor Profile

- Category of investors:
  - > Individuals (Residents and Non-Residents)
  - Non-Individuals (Business/Other entities)
- Investors with low risk tolerance
- Investors who desire to win prizes
- Investors with either a short or medium term investment horizon
- Investors who require a portfolio of Shariah- compliant investments

Note: Investors are advised to carefully consider all risk factors before making an investment decision. Investors will be exposed to the following risks: market risk, credit risk, liquidity risk, operational risk, legal risk and shariah non-compliance risk. Please visit Bank Islam's website for further explanation of each risk.

## 2.0 RISK STATEMENT

The Board of Directors of Bank Islam has the ultimate responsibility to manage risks related to its operations and business activities by setting risk appetite and tolerance levels that are consistent with the Bank's overall business objectives and desired risk profile. The Board Risk Committee, which is assisted by the Group Risk Management Division, ensures that there is an effective oversight on development of strategies, policies, procedures and infrastructure to manage the Bank's risks.

## 3.0 FUND PERFORMANCE

## 3.1 Fund Size and Growth

As at March 2023, Al-Awfar account fund balance was recorded at RM 5.1 billion.

# Al-Awfar Investment Account Fund Size RM'000





Position 2023	Return on Asset (ROA)* % (p.a.)	Profit Sharing Ratio (Customer: Bank)	Return on Investment (ROI) % (p.a.)
January	4.26%	2: 98	0.05%
February	4.27%	2: 98	0.05%
March	4.27%	2: 98	0.05%

\* ROA - allocated assets of the fund.

#### Note:

For further illustration, please refer to the Product Disclosure Sheet (PDS), Terms & Conditions and Investment Confirmation Notice (where applicable).

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# 3.3 Historical Rate of Return



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Note: The rates above are average annual rate of return on quarterly basis in percentage (%)

## 3.4 Income Statement

Profit & Loss Statement for the Quarter ended 31 March 2023					
	January	February	March		
	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000		
Profit from financing	18,607	16,440	18,241		
Direct expenses*	-	-	-		
Allowance for impairment on financing	(173)	(96)	(109)		
Total Profit	18,434	16,344	18,132		
Return on Asset (p.a.)	4.26%	4.27%	4.27%		
Return on Investment (p.a.)	0.05%	0.05%	0.05%		

\*Currently there are no charges imposed to this fund.

# 3.5 HFA Financing Portfolio by Geographical Location in Malaysia



A total of 36.6% of the total HFA Financing Portfolio originates from the Central region. This reflects the concentration of the HFA portfolio to developed areas such as the Klang Valley.

## 3.6 HFA Financing Portfolio by Remaining Maturity of Facilities



The majority of the HFA Financing Portfolio has a maturity of more than 15 years. This will ensure stability in the profit stream of the HFA portfolio which can then benefit the investment return expectations, especially for long-term IAH.

## 3.7 Asset Quality of HFA Financing Portfolio



The portfolio's low impaired financing ratio reflects strong asset quality.

# 4.0 ECONOMIC REVIEW AND PROSPECT

Recently, Bank Negara Malaysia (BNM) published its 2022 Annual Report, projecting the country to grow between the 4.0%-5.0% range in 2023. The forecast came after Malaysia recorded an astounding growth rate of 8.7% in 2022, the highest over two decades. Such a modest expansion is attributable to growth rate normalisation and the anticipation of a moderating global growth outlook, particularly amongst advanced economies. Furthermore, the elevated cost of living and input costs are expected to impact consumers and businesses amid an elevated price level. Already, the business sentiments have been weakening, as reflected by Malaysia's Purchasing Managers' Index (PMI), which is pointing to seven straight months of challenging business conditions despite a slightly improve to 48.8 points in March from 48.4 points in the previous month. On the recent banking crisis in advanced countries, we foresee Malaysia's banking system being resilient and well protected against possible contagion, with a liquidity coverage ratio (LCR) of 152.7% in February 2023. Additionally, we believe the recession probability is remote amid Malaysia's strong macroeconomic fundamentals, with domestic consumption continuing to be the primary driver of economic growth. As such, we expect Malaysia's real gross domestic product (GDP) to fall in the midpoint of the range estimated by the BNM, specifically at 4.5% this year.

# 5.0 PROPERTY MARKET AND HFA PORTFOLIO REVIEW

According to data published by the National Property Information Centre's (NAPIC), property market sector recorded a significant increase in H12022 as compared to H12021. It was reported that the property market sector recorded 188,002 transactions worth RM84.40 billion in H12022, an increase of 34.5% in volume and 36.1% in value compared to H12021 (139,752;RM62.01 billion). The residential segment remains the mainstay of the property market with 61.8% of total transaction. The residential sub-sector's market recorded 116,178 transactions worth RM45.62 billion, increased by 26.3% in volume and 32.2% in value as compared to H12021 (92,017;RM34.51 billion). Newly launched houses priced between RM100K-RM500K dominated the market in H12022, with the RM300k to RM500K price segment leading supply with 4,380 units (41.5%). More than 10,000 units of newly launched were recorded, down by 66.7% compared 31,687 units (revised) in H12021. Sale performance for new launches recorded at 20.3% slightly lower compared to H12021(revised 20.6%) and H22021(28.1%). The residential overhang situation improved amidst market recovery. There were 34,092 units worth RM21.73 billion recorded, down by 7.5% and 4.6% in volume and value respectively against H22021. Construction activity recorded an increase in completion and new developments, each up by 5.9% and 12.9% respectively whilst housing decreased by 7.2% compared to H12021. The Malaysian House Price Index (MHPI) continued to increase at a moderate trend. As at Q22022, the MHPI stood at 203.5 points, up by 0.5% on annual

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basis. The property market performance especially residential subsector will continue to be affected by affordability, overhang issues and also uncertain global economy.

Bank Islam Housing and Fixed Asset (HFA) portfolio stood at RM26.97 billion in March 2023, increasing by 0.6% month-on-month (m-o-m) from RM26.81 billion in the previous month. The HFA portfolio rose 1.4% quarter-onquarter (q-o-q) to RM26.97 billion in 1Q2023 (4Q2022: RM26.60 billion). The Gross Impairment Ratio (GIR) increased slightly to 0.98% in March 2023 from 0.95% in the preceding month. However, the figure is relatively low compared to the purchase of residential property's industry level of 1.42% during February 2023 (January 2023: 1.37%). Meanwhile, the unemployment rate is decreasing, with the latest figure declining to 3.5% in February 2023 (January 2023: 3.6%). We expect Malaysia's labour market to strengthen further this year following continuous upbeat momentum in the domestic economy despite the modest expansion on the external front. Therefore, we posit that the financing impairment trend to improve amid a further recovery in the labour market.

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