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PUBLIC REPRIMAND AGAINST SHEIKH FARHAN FARKQISH BIN OMAR (A FORMER UNIT TRUST SCHEME CONSULTANT - FIMM No: 031-0-34780)

The Federation of Investment Managers Malaysia (“FIMM”) has reprimanded **Sheikh Farhan Farkqish bin Omar (“Farhan”)**, a former unit trust scheme (“UTS”) consultant for misconducts/breaches of FIMM’s Code of Ethics and Rules of Professional Conduct (Unit Trust Funds), Second Edition dated 22 January 2013 (“FIMM’s Code”).

Farhan was found to be in breach of Clause 3.1.3(a) and Clause 3.3.5 of FIMM’s Code for committing the following misconducts:

- i) Accepted a sum of RM3,000 from a prospective investor which was credited into Farhan’s personal bank account for purposes of investment in a unit trust fund with Principal Asset Management Berhad (“PAM”) (*formerly known as CIMB Principal Asset Management Berhad*);
- ii) Misappropriated the prospective investor’s money amounting to RM3,000 by not investing into unit trust fund; and
- iii) Provided to the prospective investor, a falsified unitholder ledger indicating that the investment of RM3,000 has been made with PAM.

Clause 3.3.5 of FIMM’s Code prohibits a UTS consultant from accepting cash or have it credited into their personal bank account from the investors for purposes of investment in unit trust funds.

Clause 3.1.3(a) of FIMM’s Code requires a UTS consultant at all times, to act with honesty, dignity and integrity.

Farhan’s misconducts as mentioned above were identified and notified by PAM to FIMM which have resulted in FIMM taking a disciplinary action against Farhan.

The Public Reprimand was imposed on Farhan to send a strong message to deter other UTS consultants from committing similar misconducts and to safeguard the interest of the investing public and the industry.

In addition to the above, since Farhan is currently not a UTS consultant registered with FIMM, Farhan has been barred from future registration with FIMM effective 3 October 2019.

The investing public is reminded to refrain from giving cash or have it credited into unit trust or private retirement schemes consultants’ personal account for investment purposes. The investing public is also advised not to pre-sign any investment application forms and ensure official receipt is received from the Distributor/Institutional Unit Trust Advisors (“IUTA”). If any detail or information in the receipt is inaccurate, please check with the Distributor/IUTA directly.

About Federation of Investment Managers Malaysia

The Federation of Investment Managers Malaysia (FIMM) was established in 1993 to support the development of the investment management industry. On 20 January 2011, FIMM was recognised as a Self-Regulatory Organisation (SRO) by Securities Commission Malaysia. As an SRO, FIMM regulates and supervises its members and registered persons to strive for the highest level of integrity and standards of practice that will best serve the investment management industry and promote investor protection.

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