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## RHB WILL NOT COMPOUND INTEREST DURING MORATORIUM PERIOD

**Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia** – RHB Banking Group ("RHB") announced that it will not be compounding interest during the six-months repayment deferment for banking facilities ("Moratorium") that was announced by Bank Negara Malaysia on 25 March 2020. This will, however be applicable to Retail and SME customers only and will take effect from 1 April 2020. For Islamic financing, RHB will continue to observe the principle of no compounding of profit.

The Moratorium will apply automatically to all RHB Bank and RHB Islamic Retail and SME customers, with the exception of loans/financing facilities that are in arrears exceeding 90 days as at 1 April 2020. Key highlights of the Moratorium are as follows:

- The Moratorium will take effect from 1 April 2020, for a period of 6 months;
- Customers who do not wish to avail of the Moratorium may simply continue to pay their regular instalments;
- As an additional benefit, interest for all Retail and SME banking facilities will not be compounded during the Moratorium period.
- In line with Shariah principles, profit on Islamic financing will not be compounded;
- Instalment payment amounts will remain unchanged upon uplifting of the Moratorium;
- Loan/financing tenors under the Moratorium will be extended for 6 months.

For credit card facilities, customers may request to convert the outstanding balances into a 3-year term loan with reduced interest rates.

These measures will help to ease the cash flow of individuals and SMEs and would provide the much needed breathing space for customers to re-assess their financial positions, particularly those directly affected by COVID-19.

"These additional measures introduced by BNM in partnership with the banking industry provides critical relief to ease the financial burden of individuals and businesses, particularly the SMEs during this extremely challenging period. Further details on the repayment deferment and restructuring has been made available on our corporate website," said Dato' Khairussaleh Ramli, Group Managing Director, RHB Banking Banking group.

Customers may visit <u>https://www.rhbgroup.com/covid-19/index.html</u> for more information and FAQs on the Moratorium arrangements.

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## About the RHB Banking Group

The RHB Banking Group, with RHB Bank Berhad as the holding company, is the fourth largest fully integrated financial services group in Malaysia. The Group's core businesses are structured into seven main business pillars, namely Group Retail Banking, Group Business & Transaction Banking, Group Wholesale Banking, RHB Singapore, Group Shariah Business, Group International Business and Group Insurance. Group Wholesale Banking comprises Corporate Banking, Investment Banking, Group Treasury & Global Markets, Asset Management, and Private Equity. All the seven business pillars are offered through the Group's main subsidiaries – RHB Investment Bank Berhad, RHB Islamic Bank Berhad, and RHB Insurance Berhad, while its asset management and unit trust businesses are undertaken by RHB Asset Management Sdn Bhd, and RHB Islamic International Asset Management Berhad. The Group's regional presence now spans ten countries, including Malaysia, Singapore, Indonesia, Thailand, Brunei, Cambodia, Hong Kong/China, Vietnam, Lao PDR, and Myanmar.

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