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Affin Hwang Investment Bank Berhad
(Incorporated in Malaysia)

PILLAR 3 DISCLOSURES
for the financial year ended 31 December 2017

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Glossary

Terms	Descriptions
AFS	Available-for-Sale
AHIB	Affin Hwang Investment Bank Berhad or 'the Bank'
ALCO	Asset and Liability Committee
Basel II	Basel II Capital Accord
Basel III	Basel III Capital Accord
BCRC	Board Credit Review Committee
BNM	Bank Negara Malaysia
Board	Board of Directors
BRMC	Board Risk Management Committee
CET 1	Common Equity Tier 1
CIS	Collective Investment Scheme
CMD	Credit Management Department
CROC	Compliance and Risk Oversight Committee
CSA	Credit Support Annex
DFIs	Development Financial Institutions
ECAIs	External Credit Assessment Institutions
Fitch	Fitch Ratings
GMCC	Group Management Credit Committee
GORMC	Group Operational Risk Management Committee
ICAAP	Internal Capital Adequacy Assessment Process
IRRBB	Interest Rate Risk in Banking Book
ISDA	International Swap and Derivative Association
KCS	Key Control Standard
KRI	Key Risk Indicator
LED	Loss Event Database
MARC	Malaysian Rating Corporation Berhad
MDBs	Multilateral Development Banks
Moody's	Moody's Investors Service
ORM	Operational Risk Management
ORMU	Operational Risk Management Unit
OTC	Over-the-Counter
R&I	Rating and Investment Information, Inc.
RAM	RAM Rating Services Berhad
RCSA	Risk and Control Self Assessment
RMD	Risk Management Department
RWA	Risk-Weighted Asset
RWCAF	Risk-Weighted Capital Adequacy Framework
S&P	Standard & Poor's Rating Services
VaR	Value-at-Risk

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OVERVIEW

Bank Negara Malaysia (“BNM”)’s Risk-Weighted Capital Adequacy Framework (“RWCAF”) (Basel II) – Disclosure Requirements (Pillar 3) aims to improve the transparency of financial institution activities and risks, which is a key element of an effectively supervised financial system.

Pillar 3 Disclosures is governed by Bank Negara Malaysia Risk-Weighted Capital Adequacy Framework - Pillar 3 and Capital Adequacy Framework (Capital Components) issued by BNM, which spells out the guidelines in determining the contents (including materiality, appropriateness and confidentiality), frequency, medium, location of public disclosures, as well as internal controls over the disclosure verification process.

The following disclosure information is based on 31 December 2017 financial year end data and has been independently reviewed by the Internal Audit Department. However, where the disclosure is reliant upon the disclosure in the Bank’s audited financial statements, the disclosure in the audited financial statements has been subjected to the formal review and verification process by the external auditor.

The Pillar 3 Disclosures is published on the Bank’s corporate website at <http://www.affinhwang.com>.

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1 SCOPE OF APPLICATION

The Pillar 3 Disclosures attached herewith relates to the Bank and its subsidiaries ("the Group"). This Pillar 3 Disclosures is published for the financial year ended 31 December 2017, with comparative information for both the Bank and the Group for the financial year ended 31 December 2016.

For financial reporting purposes, the basis for consolidation of the Bank and the Group financial statements is in accordance to the Malaysian Financial Reporting Standards.

The basis for accounting consolidation is as disclosed in Note C 'Summary of significant accounting policies for the financial year ended 31 December 2017' to the financial statements of the Bank. Further information on the Bank's consolidated entities can be referenced in Note 13 to the Bank's financial statements.

The principal activities of the Bank are in investment banking, stockbroking activities, dealing in options and futures and related financial services.

The principal activities of the subsidiaries are asset management, management of unit trust funds and private retirement schemes. Islamic fund management. trustee services and nominee services.

During the financial year, the Group did not encounter any restriction or impediment in the distribution of dividends, transfer of funds or regulatory capital.

2 CAPITAL MANAGEMENT

The Group and the Bank's objectives when managing capital are to comply with:

- i) The minimum capital requirement of 9.25% (2016: 8.625%) under BNM's Risk-Weighted Capital Adequacy Framework ("RWCAF");
- ii) The Board-approved Internal Capital Adequacy Assessment Process ("ICAAP"), which amongst others:
 - To safeguard the Bank's ability to continue as a going concern so that it can continue to provide returns to the shareholders and benefits for other stakeholders; and
 - To maintain a strong capital base to support the development of its business.

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2.1 Capital Adequacy Ratios

The capital adequacy ratios of the Group consist of total capital and risk-weighted assets derived from the consolidated financials of the Bank and its subsidiary companies.

The Group and the Bank have adopted the following approaches to assess its regulatory capital requirements under BNM RWCAF Pillar 1:

- Credit risk (Standardised Approach)
- Market risk (Standardised Approach)
- Operational risk (Basic Indicator Approach)

With effect from 4 August 2017, the total capital and capital adequacy ratios of the Group and the Bank are computed in accordance with BNM's revised Capital Adequacy Framework (Capital Components) dated 4 August 2017.

The Group and the Bank are currently adopting Standardised Approach for Credit Risk and Market Risk and the Basic Indicator Approach for Operational Risk. In line with the transitional arrangements under the BNM's Capital Adequacy Framework (Capital Components), the minimum capital adequacy requirement for Common Equity Tier 1 Capital Ratio ('CET 1') and Tier 1 Capital Ratio are 5.75% (2016: 5.125%) and 7.25% (2016: 6.625%) respectively for financial year ended 31 December 2017. The minimum regulatory capital adequacy requirement for total capital ratio is at 9.25% (2016: 8.625%).

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The following table depicts the risk weighted assets ("RWA") and the corresponding regulatory capital requirements:

Table 1: Risk-Weighted Assets and Capital Requirements

The Group

As at 31 December 2017

	Gross exposures	Net exposures	Risk Weighted Assets	Capital requirements	
	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	
(i) Credit risk					
Exposure Class					
<u>On-Balance Sheet Exposures</u>					
Sovereigns/Central Banks	2,776,977	2,776,977	4,090	327	
Banks, Development Financial Institutions ("DFIs") & Multilateral Development Banks ("MDBs")	775,828	775,828	160,053	12,804	
Insurance Companies, Securities Firms & Fund Managers	-	-	-	-	
Corporates	2,830,309	2,830,309	1,621,699	129,736	
Regulatory Retail	362,396	5,215	3,911	313	
Other Assets	350,481	350,481	283,818	22,705	
Defaulted Exposures	65,900	65,900	98,849	7,908	
Total for on-balance sheet exposures	7,161,891	6,804,710	2,172,420	173,793	
<u>Off-Balance Sheet Exposures</u>					
Over-the-counter ("OTC") derivatives	169,080	169,080	69,944	5,596	
Non-OTC Derivatives	116,835	116,835	116,835	9,347	
Total for off-balance sheet exposures	285,915	285,915	186,779	14,943	
Total credit risk exposures	7,447,806	7,090,625	2,359,199	188,736	
(ii) Large exposures risk requirements					
	-	-	-	-	
(iii) Market risk					
	Gross exposures		Net exposures	Risk Weighted Assets	Capital requirements
	RM'000		RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
	Long Position	Short Position			
	RM'000	RM'000			
Interest rate risk	4,069,333	4,071,838	(2,505)	175,238	14,019
Foreign currency risk	3,220,431	3,098,386	122,045	139,400	11,152
Equity risk	47,544	-	47,544	125,607	10,049
Option risk	-	-	-	-	-
Total market risk exposures	7,337,308	7,170,224	167,084	440,245	35,220
(iv) Operational risk					
			Risk Weighted Assets	Capital requirements	
			RM'000	RM'000	
Operational risk			777,901	62,232	
Total risk-weighted assets and capital requirements			3,577,345	286,188	

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Table 1: Risk-Weighted Assets and Capital Requirements (Continued)

The Bank

As at 31 December 2017

	Gross exposures RM'000	Net exposures RM'000	Risk Weighted Assets RM'000	Capital requirements RM'000
(i) Credit risk				
Exposure Class				
<u>On-Balance Sheet Exposures</u>				
Sovereigns/Central Banks	2,776,977	2,776,977	4,090	327
Banks, Development Financial Institutions ("DFIs") & Multilateral Development Banks ("MDBs")	402,271	402,271	85,320	6,826
Insurance Companies, Securities Firms & Fund Managers	-	-	-	-
Corporates	2,799,684	2,799,684	1,591,866	127,349
Regulatory Retail	362,396	5,215	3,911	313
Other Assets	227,727	227,727	161,065	12,885
Defaulted Exposures	65,900	65,900	98,849	7,908
Total for on-balance sheet exposures	6,634,955	6,277,774	1,945,101	155,608
<u>Off-Balance Sheet Exposures</u>				
Over-the-counter ("OTC") derivatives	169,080	169,080	69,944	5,596
Non-OTC Derivatives	116,835	116,835	116,835	9,347
Total for off-balance sheet exposures	285,915	285,915	186,779	14,943
Total credit risk exposures	6,920,870	6,563,689	2,131,880	170,551

(ii) Large exposures risk requirements

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(iii) Market risk

	Gross exposures RM'000		Net exposures RM'000	Risk Weighted Assets RM'000	Capital requirements RM'000
	Long Position RM'000	Short Position RM'000			
Interest rate risk	4,050,531	4,071,838	(21,307)	159,253	12,740
Foreign currency risk	3,069,917	3,098,386	(28,469)	33,967	2,717
Equity risk	40,565	-	40,565	106,415	8,513
Option risk	-	-	-	-	-
Total market risk exposures	7,161,013	7,170,224	(9,211)	299,635	23,970

(iv) Operational risk

	Risk Weighted Assets RM'000	Capital requirements RM'000
Operational risk	410,291	32,823

Total risk-weighted assets and capital requirements

2,841,806 227,344

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As at 31 December 2016	Gross exposures	Net exposures	Risk Weighted Assets	Capital requirements	
	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	
(i) Credit risk					
Exposure Class					
<u>On-Balance Sheet Exposures</u>					
Sovereigns/Central Banks	2,677,925	2,677,925	4,328	346	
Banks, Development Financial Institutions ("DFIs") & Multilateral Development Banks ("MDBs")	789,938	789,938	185,462	14,837	
Insurance Companies, Securities Firms & Fund Managers	-	-	-	-	
Corporates	2,987,677	2,987,677	1,687,711	135,017	
Regulatory Retail	247,332	5,560	4,170	334	
Other Assets	426,649	426,649	426,611	34,129	
Defaulted Exposures	31,131	31,131	46,544	3,724	
Total for on-balance sheet exposures	7,160,652	6,918,880	2,354,826	188,387	
<u>Off-Balance Sheet Exposures</u>					
Over-the-counter ("OTC") derivatives	195,438	195,438	99,982	7,999	
Non-OTC Derivatives	146,220	146,220	146,220	11,698	
Total for off-balance sheet exposures	341,658	341,658	246,202	19,697	
Total credit risk exposures	7,502,310	7,260,538	2,601,028	208,084	
(ii) Large exposures risk requirements					
	-	-	-	-	
(iii) Market risk					
	Gross exposures		Net exposures	Risk Weighted Assets	Capital requirements
	RM'000		RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
	Long Position	Short Position			
	RM'000	RM'000			
Interest rate risk	4,418,891	4,100,705	318,186	60,688	4,855
Foreign currency risk	2,313,946	2,342,837	(28,891)	42,963	3,437
Equity risk	23,626	-	23,626	64,975	5,198
Option risk	-	-	-	19,481	1,558
Total market risk exposures	6,756,463	6,443,542	312,921	188,107	15,048
(iv) Operational risk					
			Risk Weighted Assets	Capital requirements	
			RM'000	RM'000	
Operational risk			705,881	56,470	
Total risk-weighted assets and capital requirements			3,495,016	279,602	

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Table 1: Risk-Weighted Assets and Capital Requirements (Continued)

The Bank

As at 31 December 2016

	Gross exposures RM'000	Net exposures RM'000	Risk Weighted Assets RM'000	Capital requirements RM'000
(i) Credit risk				
Exposure Class				
<u>On-Balance Sheet Exposures</u>				
Sovereigns/Central Banks	2,677,925	2,677,925	4,328	346
Banks, Development Financial Institutions ("DFIs") & Multilateral Development Banks ("MDBs")	462,588	462,588	119,743	9,579
Insurance Companies, Securities Firms & Fund Managers	-	-	-	-
Corporates	2,986,686	2,986,686	1,687,513	135,001
Regulatory Retail	247,332	5,560	4,170	334
Other Assets	292,153	292,153	292,116	23,369
Defaulted Exposures	31,131	31,131	46,544	3,724
Total for on-balance sheet exposures	6,697,815	6,456,043	2,154,414	172,353
<u>Off-Balance Sheet Exposures</u>				
Over-the-counter ("OTC") derivatives	195,438	195,438	99,982	7,999
Non-OTC Derivatives	146,220	146,220	146,220	11,698
Total for off-balance sheet exposures	341,658	341,658	246,202	19,697
Total credit risk exposures	7,039,473	6,797,701	2,400,616	192,050

(ii) Large exposures risk requirements

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(iii) Market risk

	Gross exposures		Net exposures RM'000	Risk Weighted Assets RM'000	Capital requirements RM'000
	Long Position RM'000	Short Position RM'000			
Interest rate risk	4,418,891	4,100,705	318,186	60,688	4,855
Foreign currency risk	2,283,350	2,342,837	(59,487)	64,999	5,200
Equity risk	18,763	-	18,763	51,598	4,128
Option risk	-	-	-	19,481	1,558
Total market risk exposures	6,721,004	6,443,542	277,462	196,766	15,741

(iv) Operational risk

	Risk Weighted Assets RM'000	Capital requirements RM'000
Operational risk	394,323	31,546

Total risk-weighted assets and capital requirements

2,991,705 **239,337**

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2.2 Capital Structure

For regulatory purposes, capital is categorised into Common Equity Tier 1 ("CET 1") Capital, Additional Tier 1 Capital and Tier 2 Capital which are described below:

CET 1 Capital

CET 1 Capital /Tier I Capital (Basel III) comprises ordinary paid-up share capital, share premium, statutory reserve, audited retained profits, other disclosed reserves, unrealised gains on AFS instruments and net of regulatory adjustments namely goodwill, intangible assets, 55% of unrealised gains on AFS instruments, deferred tax assets and investment in subsidiaries.

Share capital is the issued and fully paid share capital and there is no obligation to pay a coupon or dividend to the shareholders. Retained profits and statutory reserve are accumulated resources included in Total Equity in the Statement of Financial Position.

The Companies Act 2016 ("New Act") was enacted to replace the Companies Act 1965 with effect from 31 January 2017. Amongst the key changes introduced in the New Act that will affect the financial statements of the Group and of the Bank for the current financial year includes:

- (a) removal of the authorised share capital;
- (b) shares of the Bank will cease to have par or nominal value; and
- (c) the Bank's share premium account will become part of the Bank's share capital. Number of issued shares remains at 780,000,000.

During the current financial year, the Bank had transferred a total of RM219,800,000 from its share premium account to the share capital pursuant to the New Act. The adoption of the New Act did not have any significant financial impact on the Group and the Bank for the current financial year.

The statutory reserve is maintained by the Bank in compliance with Section 47(2)(f) of the Financial Services Act, 2013 and is not distributable as cash dividends. Effective from 3 May 2017, BNM has updated the policy on Capital Funds to remove the requirement for a banking institution to maintain reserve fund. Accordingly, the Group and the Bank transferred RM251,343,000 from its statutory reserve to retained profits during the financial year.

Additional Tier 1 Capital

The Bank's Additional Tier 1 capital comprises of non-controlling interest.

Tier 2 Capital

The Bank's Tier 2 capital comprises of collective allowance and certain regulatory deductions, including investment in subsidiaries.

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Table 2: Constituents of Eligible Capital and Capital Adequacy Ratios

	The Group		The Bank	
	31.12.2017 RM'000	31.12.2016 RM'000	31.12.2017 RM'000	31.12.2016 RM'000
Common Equity Tier (CET) 1 Capital :				
Share capital	999,800	780,000	999,800	780,000
Share premium	-	219,800	-	219,800
Statutory reserve	-	251,343	-	251,343
Retained profit	617,401	256,163	621,003	283,946
Unrealised gains on AFS instruments	(14,466)	(26,830)	(14,762)	(26,901)
	<u>1,602,735</u>	<u>1,480,476</u>	<u>1,606,041</u>	<u>1,508,188</u>
Less : Regulatory adjustment				
Goodwill and other Intangible assets	(323,801)	(323,090)	(316,969)	(316,645)
Investment in subsidiaries	-	-	(114,235)	(108,692)
Collective allowance reserve	(11,790)	(9,667)	(11,790)	(9,667)
Deferred tax assets	(22,165)	(10,727)	(10,817)	(6,291)
	<u>1,244,979</u>	<u>1,136,992</u>	<u>1,152,230</u>	<u>1,066,893</u>
Additional Tier 1 Capital				
Non-controlling interests	9,213	3,000	-	-
Tier 1 Capital	<u>1,254,192</u>	<u>1,139,992</u>	<u>1,152,230</u>	<u>1,066,893</u>
Tier 2 capital				
Collective allowance	13,549	12,525	13,549	12,525
Less : Regulatory adjustment				
Investment in subsidiaries	-	-	(13,549)	(12,525)
Total Tier 2 capital	<u>13,549</u>	<u>12,525</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Capital	<u><u>1,267,741</u></u>	<u><u>1,152,517</u></u>	<u><u>1,152,230</u></u>	<u><u>1,066,893</u></u>
Proposed dividends	<u>88,000</u>	<u>10,800</u>	<u>88,000</u>	<u>10,800</u>
Capital Ratio				
CET 1 capital ratio	34.802%	32.532%	40.546%	35.662%
Tier 1 capital ratio	35.059%	32.618%	40.546%	35.662%
Total capital ratio	35.438%	32.976%	40.546%	35.662%
CET 1 capital ratio (net of proposed dividends)	32.342%	32.223%	37.449%	35.301%
Tier 1 capital ratio (net of proposed dividends)	32.599%	32.309%	37.449%	35.301%
Total capital ratio (net of proposed dividends)	32.978%	32.667%	37.449%	35.301%
Credit risk	2,359,199	2,601,028	2,131,880	2,400,616
Market risk	440,245	188,107	299,635	196,766
Operational risk	777,901	705,881	410,291	394,323
Total RWA	<u><u>3,577,345</u></u>	<u><u>3,495,016</u></u>	<u><u>2,841,806</u></u>	<u><u>2,991,705</u></u>

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3 RISK MANAGEMENT

As a full-fledged investment bank, the Bank has established robust and comprehensive risk management policies and framework, supported by Group Risk Management Framework and Policies based on best practices, to ensure that the salient risk elements in the operations of the Bank are adequately managed and mitigated. The Bank's framework for the management of financial risks is congruent with the primary corporate objective of creating and enhancing shareholders' value, guided by a prudent and robust framework of risk management methodologies and policies.

The Bank's risk management policies and framework are reviewed periodically to ensure that they are comprehensive in addressing the multi-faceted risks associated with the investment banking sector.

The Risk Management Department ("RMD") is primarily responsible for the development and maintenance of the risk management policies and framework of the Bank and supports the functions of Asset and Liability Committee ("ALCO"), Compliance and Risk Oversight Committee ("CROC"), Board Risk Management Committee ("BRMC") as well as Group committees of the Affin Banking Group.

Risk Governance

Appropriate risk governance structure is cascaded throughout all levels of the Bank which comprise of Board of Directors ("Board"), relevant committees, business units and support units.

The Board is ultimately responsible for assuming the risks inherent in the Bank's business activities and defining the policies for governing those activities. BRMC is responsible to support the Board in the oversight of the Bank's risk management framework and policies.

BRMC is authorised by the Board in overseeing all risk-taking activities in the Bank. Its key responsibilities involve reviewing and recommending risk management strategies, risk tolerance, new products, capital allocation process; and assessing the adequacy of risk management policies, framework, infrastructure and resources for implementation of risk strategies. For monitoring purpose, BRMC reviews periodic reports on risk exposures, risk portfolio composition and risk management activities. These reports, prepared by RMD cover credit, market, liquidity and operational risks.

At management level, CROC and ALCO assist the BRMC and the Board in their supervisory roles in the management of credit, market, liquidity, and operational risks as well as assets and liabilities management of the Bank. These two committees provide an executive forum for discussions and decisions on all aspects of credit, market, liquidity and operational risks; and assets and liabilities management matters.

Under the Credit Authority Framework approved by the Board, Group Management Credit Committee ("GMCC") and Board Credit Review Committee ("BCRC") is authorised to review and approve, reject or modify proposals for credit and underwriting applications.

Based on Internal Audit's review, identification and assessment of risk, testing and evaluation of controls, Internal Audit provides reasonable assurance on the adequacy and effectiveness of internal control systems of the business and support units, and compliance with law and regulations.

RMD acts as an independent and neutral party in providing comprehensive and independent views of Bank-wide risks.

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Risk Measurement

The risk measurement tools employed by the Bank are commonly used in market practices and commensurate with the size and complexity of the Bank's business operations.

Stress Testing

The Bank has deployed stress testing in assessing the impact of stressed market conditions on its capital, profit, liquidity and asset quality in accordance with the Group Stress Test Framework and Methodology.

Stress testing results are periodically reported to ALCO and BRMC to enable them to consider the implications on the Bank's overall business strategy, capital management, risk profile and to consider appropriate corrective measures when necessary. The stress testing is also performed periodically to meet both internal and regulatory external reporting requirements.

Internal Audit acts as an independent party in performing an annual review of the Bank's stress testing policy, procedures and processes including the stress scenarios used to ensure the quality and effectiveness of the programme.

The stress testing methodology covers a range of risks and business areas and there are two types of stress testing currently in use:

- Sensitivity Analysis, which moves a single risk factor by a magnitude of shock. This method can be processed relatively quickly and can be used to form a first approximation and assessment of the impact.
- Scenario Analysis, which contains simultaneous moves in a number of market risk factors (e.g. equity prices, interest rates, foreign exchange rates and etc.). A stress test scenario analysis can be based on historical scenario, hypothetical scenario, forward looking scenario and second round/spill-over effect. Scenario analysis can be performed on a portfolio-driven approach or event-driven approach.

Risk Reporting and Monitoring

The Bank's risk appetite (i.e. risk tolerance) and business plans determine the amount of risk capital set aside (i.e. risk capacity) to support its operational and market activities as well as capital allocation to respective business units. This forms a basis in setting risk limits for business units.

RMD is responsible for the monitoring and timely reporting of risk exposures against the established risk limits. Any breaches in risk limits are subject to the exception escalation procedures that aim to rectify any excesses within a reasonable time frame and within the specified authority level. There is a formal process for risk reporting to the Group Managing Director, business units, relevant management/ board committees to facilitate the making of informed decisions and strategies. BRMC reviews and monitors any significant risk issues and reports to the Board.

Risk limits are reviewed on an annual basis or as and when required, to ensure their relevance with regards to the risk taking activities of the Bank and current banking regulations.

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4 CREDIT RISK

Credit risk refers to the potential risk of financial loss arising from defaults by counterparties in meeting their obligations. The Bank's exposure to credit risks arises primarily from share trading, share margin financing, corporate/inter-bank lending activities, bonds investment, foreign exchange trading, equity and debt underwriting as well as from participation in securities settlements and payment transactions.

Risk Governance

The management of credit risk is governed by a set of approved credit policies, guidelines, circulars and procedures to ensure that the overall lending objectives achieved are in compliance with the internal and regulatory requirements. The policies are subject to review by the BRMC, a sub-committee of the Board that reviews the adequacy of the Bank's risk policies and framework.

The Bank's credit risk framework is further strengthened with an established credit authority framework for the approval of new, restructured and review of loans, bond investments, debt and equity underwriting proposals. The approving authorities are Group Managing Director, Investment and Underwriting Committee, GMCC, BCRC and other authorised officers.

GMCC is established at Affin Banking Group to approve lending/financing and credit commitments as well as workout/recovery proposals beyond the delegated authority of the authorised officers of the Bank. BCRC is

Credit Risk Identification and Measurement

(a) Corporate Credit and Financing

Credit evaluation is the process of analysing the creditworthiness of the prospective customer against the Bank's underwriting criteria and the ability of the Bank to make a return commensurate to the level of risk undertaken. All corporate loans, underwritings and share margin financing applications above specified limits are evaluated by Credit Management Department ("CMD") and forwarded to the relevant approving authorities based on the Credit Authority Framework approved by Board.

A critical element in the evaluation process is the assignment of a credit risk grade to the counterparty. This assists in the risk assessment and decision making process. The Bank adopts internal rating models to support the assessment and quantification of credit risk as guided by the internal Credit Risk Grading Model. A number of relevant risk factors such as competitive position, operating performance, cash flow strength and management strength are taken into consideration when identifying and analysing counterparty credit risk.

The corporate credits and financing accounts are reviewed by the Business Units on periodic basis and independently commented by CMD to complement the risk identification, early warnings detection as well as in ensuring creditability and financial performance of the corporates where applicable to protect the Bank's position in debt recovery. Remedial action is taken where evidence of deterioration exists.

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(b) Stockbroking

For stockbroking brokerage business, daily management and monitoring of credit risk associated with securities brokerage is undertaken by Credit Control team to ensure compliance with approved policies and procedures of the Bank and regulatory requirements.

In addition, RMD reviews the overall stockbroking credit exposures and CMD assess/approve trading limit proposals that exceed specified limits. The assessment is based on clients and/or dealer's representatives risk profiles, creditworthiness, past trading records and pledged collaterals.

(c) Share Margin

For share margin financing, all new margin applications as well as applications for increase in facility limits are subject to credit review by the Margin Operations. It will be forwarded to CMD for independent credit evaluation if the proposals exceed specified limits before recommending to the Approving Authorities. Credit risk exposures associated with share-margin trading are reviewed and monitored closely on daily basis by designated staff from Margin Operations, Credit Management and independently by RMD, who will review amongst others, credit limit utilization, exposure to single security or client/ group of counterparty and equity positions against collateral.

Credit Risk Limit Control

Credit risk exposures are mitigated via preventive risk management measures in limiting the exposure in accordance with the Bank's risk appetite as well as regular monitoring of credit exposures.

The Bank establishes internal limits and related lending guidelines to manage large exposures and avoid undue concentration of credit risk in its credit portfolio. The limits include single counterparty's groupings, connected parties, broad property sector, geographical and industry segments. These risks are monitored regularly and the limits reviewed annually to best reflect the bank portfolio strategy and market environment.

The credit risk exposure for derivative and loan books is managed as part of the overall lending limits with customers together with potential exposure from market movements.

Risk Reporting and Monitoring

Internal risk management reports are produced on a regular basis, providing information on credit related issues to CROC and BRMC for risk monitoring and appropriate level of management decision making.

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4.1 Distribution of Credit Exposures

- (i) The following table depicts the geographical distribution of the Bank's gross credit exposures, based on the country of incorporation or residence:

Table 3: Gross Credit Exposures by Geographical Distribution

The Group			
As at 31 December 2017	Malaysia	Other Countries	Total
Exposure Class	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
<u>On-Balance Sheet Exposures</u>			
Sovereign / Central Banks	2,776,977	-	2,776,977
Banks, DFIs & MDBs	759,611	16,217	775,828
Insurance Companies, Securities Firms & Fund Managers	-	-	-
Corporates	2,757,893	72,416	2,830,309
Regulatory Retail	362,396	-	362,396
Other assets	350,481	-	350,481
Defaulted Exposures	65,900	-	65,900
Total On-Balance Sheet Exposures	7,073,258	88,633	7,161,891
<u>Off-Balance Sheet Exposures</u>			
OTC Derivatives	169,080	-	169,080
Non-OTC Derivatives	116,835	-	116,835
Total Off-Balance Sheet Exposures	285,915	-	285,915
Total Gross Credit Exposures	7,359,173	88,633	7,447,806
The Bank			
As at 31 December 2017	Malaysia	Other Countries	Total
Exposure Class	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
<u>On-Balance Sheet Exposures</u>			
Sovereign / Central Banks	2,776,977	-	2,776,977
Banks, DFIs & MDBs	386,054	16,217	402,271
Insurance Companies, Securities Firms & Fund Managers	-	-	-
Corporates	2,727,268	72,416	2,799,684
Regulatory Retail	362,396	-	362,396
Other assets	227,727	-	227,727
Defaulted Exposures	65,900	-	65,900
Total On-Balance Sheet Exposures	6,546,322	88,633	6,634,955
<u>Off-Balance Sheet Exposures</u>			
OTC Derivatives	169,080	-	169,080
Non-OTC Derivatives	116,835	-	116,835
Total Off-Balance Sheet Exposures	285,915	-	285,915
Total Gross Credit Exposures	6,832,237	88,633	6,920,870

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Table 3: Gross Credit Exposures by Geographical Distribution (Continued)

The Group			
As at 31 December 2016	Malaysia	Other Countries	Total
Exposure Class	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
<u>On-Balance Sheet Exposures</u>			
Sovereign / Central Banks	2,677,925	-	2,677,925
Public Sector Entities	-	-	-
Banks, DFIs & MDBs	717,291	72,647	789,938
Insurance Companies, Securities Firms & Fund Managers	-	-	-
Corporates	2,869,084	118,593	2,987,677
Regulatory Retail	247,332	-	247,332
Other assets	426,649	-	426,649
Defaulted Exposures	31,131	-	31,131
Total On-Balance Sheet Exposures	6,969,412	191,240	7,160,652
<u>Off-Balance Sheet Exposures</u>			
OTC Derivatives	175,603	19,835	195,438
Non-OTC Derivatives	146,220	-	146,220
Total Off-Balance Sheet Exposures	321,823	19,835	341,658
Total Gross Credit Exposures	7,291,235	211,075	7,502,310
The Bank			
As at 31 December 2016	Malaysia	Other Countries	Total
Exposure Class	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
<u>On-Balance Sheet Exposures</u>			
Sovereign / Central Banks	2,677,925	-	2,677,925
Banks, DFIs & MDBs	389,941	72,647	462,588
Insurance Companies, Securities Firms & Fund Managers	-	-	-
Corporates	2,868,093	118,593	2,986,686
Regulatory Retail	247,332	-	247,332
Other assets	292,153	-	292,153
Defaulted Exposures	31,131	-	31,131
Total On-Balance Sheet Exposures	6,506,575	191,240	6,697,815
<u>Off-Balance Sheet Exposures</u>			
OTC Derivatives	175,603	19,835	195,438
Non-OTC Derivatives	146,220	-	146,220
Total Off-Balance Sheet Exposures	321,823	19,835	341,658
Total Gross Credit Exposures	6,828,398	211,075	7,039,473

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(ii) The following table depicts the Bank's gross credit exposures by sector analysis or industrial distribution:

Table 4: Gross Credit Exposures by Sectorial Analysis or Industrial Distribution

The Group	Primary Agriculture	Mining and Quarrying	Manufacturing (including Agro- based)	Electricity, Gas and Water Supply	Construction	Wholesale, Retail Trade, Restaurants and Hotels	Transport, Storage and Communication	Finance, Insurance, Real Estate and Business Activities	Education, Health and Others	Household	Others	Total
As at 31 December 2017	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
<u>On-Balance Sheet Exposures</u>												
Sovereign/Central Banks	-	-	-	301,516	422,323	-	141,733	328,759	1,413,383	-	169,263	2,776,977
Banks, DFIs & MDBs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	775,828	-	-	-	775,828
Insurance Companies, Securities Firms & Fund Managers	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Corporates	81,465	18,821	116,699	400,847	348,097	176,474	223,657	1,142,413	196,691	125,145	-	2,830,309
Regulatory Retail	1,461	-	11,301	-	4,962	29,815	26,860	68,087	34,820	185,090	-	362,396
Other assets	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	350,481	350,481
Defaulted Exposures	-	-	-	-	36,545	153	-	29,202	-	-	-	65,900
Total On-Balance Sheet Exposures	82,926	18,821	128,000	702,363	811,927	206,442	392,250	2,344,289	1,644,894	310,235	519,744	7,161,891
<u>Off Balance Sheet Exposures</u>												
OTC Derivatives	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	169,080	-	-	-	169,080
Non-OTC Derivatives	-	600	65,000	15,177	31,441	-	-	2,269	2,000	348	-	116,835
Total Off-Balance Sheet Exposures	-	600	65,000	15,177	31,441	-	-	171,349	2,000	348	-	285,915
Total Gross Credit Exposures	82,926	19,421	193,000	717,540	843,368	206,442	392,250	2,515,638	1,646,894	310,583	519,744	7,447,806

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Table 4: Gross Credit Exposures by Sectorial Analysis or Industrial Distribution (Continued)

The Bank	Primary Agriculture	Mining and Quarrying	Manufacturing (including Agro- based)	Electricity, Gas and Water Supply	Construction	Wholesale, Retail Trade, Restaurants and Hotels	Transport, Storage and Communication	Finance, Insurance, Real Estate and Business Activities	Education, Health and Others	Household	Others	Total
As at 31 December 2017	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
<u>On-Balance Sheet Exposures</u>												
Sovereign/Central Banks	-	-	-	301,516	422,323	-	141,733	328,759	1,413,383	-	169,263	2,776,977
Banks, DFIs & MDBs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	402,271	-	-	-	402,271
Insurance Companies, Securities Firms & Fund Managers	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Corporates	81,465	18,821	116,699	400,847	348,097	176,474	223,657	1,111,788	196,691	125,145	-	2,799,684
Regulatory Retail	1,461	-	11,301	-	4,962	29,815	26,860	68,087	34,820	185,090	-	362,396
Other assets	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	227,727	227,727
Defaulted Exposures	-	-	-	-	36,545	153	-	29,202	-	-	-	65,900
Total On-Balance Sheet Exposures	82,926	18,821	128,000	702,363	811,927	206,442	392,250	1,940,107	1,644,894	310,235	396,990	6,634,955
<u>Off Balance Sheet Exposures</u>												
OTC Derivatives	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	169,080	-	-	-	169,080
Non-OTC Derivatives	-	600	65,000	15,177	31,441	-	-	2,269	2,000	348	-	116,835
Total Off-Balance Sheet Exposures	-	600	65,000	15,177	31,441	-	-	171,349	2,000	348	-	285,915
Total Gross Credit Exposures	82,926	19,421	193,000	717,540	843,368	206,442	392,250	2,111,456	1,646,894	310,583	396,990	6,920,870

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Table 4: Gross Credit Exposures by Sectorial Analysis or Industrial Distribution (Continued)

The Group				Electricity, Gas and Water Supply		Wholesale, Retail Trade, Restaurants and Hotels		Finance, Insurance, Real Estate and Business Activities	Education, Health and Others	Household	Others	Total
As at 31 December 2016	Primary Agriculture	Mining and Quarrying	Manufacturing (including Agro- based)	Construction			Transport, Storage and Communication					
Exposure class	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
<u>On-Balance Sheet Exposures</u>												
Sovereign/Central Banks	-	-	-	269,336	431,800	-	140,653	420,188	454,447	-	961,501	2,677,925
Banks, DFIs & MDBs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	789,938	-	-	-	789,938
Insurance Companies, Securities Firms & Fund Managers	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Corporates	90,901	68,053	151,292	447,016	317,976	189,916	345,757	1,075,707	100,546	107,111	93,402	2,987,677
Regulatory Retail	-	-	1,291	-	8,113	29,736	22,230	177	34,930	149,156	1,699	247,332
Other assets	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	426,649	426,649
Defaulted Exposures	-	-	-	-	-	152	-	30,979	-	-	-	31,131
Total On-Balance Sheet Exposures	90,901	68,053	152,583	716,352	757,889	219,804	508,640	2,316,989	589,923	256,267	1,483,251	7,160,652
<u>Off Balance Sheet Exposures</u>												
OTC Derivatives	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	195,437	-	1	-	195,438
Non-OTC Derivatives	-	-	65,000	10,000	40,541	6,400	-	10,823	-	13,456	-	146,220
Total Off-Balance Sheet Exposures	-	-	65,000	10,000	40,541	6,400	-	206,260	-	13,457	-	341,658
Total Gross Credit Exposures	90,901	68,053	217,583	726,352	798,430	226,204	508,640	2,523,249	589,923	269,724	1,483,251	7,502,310

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Table 4: Gross Credit Exposures by Sectorial Analysis or Industrial Distribution (Continued)

The Bank	Primary Agriculture	Mining and Quarrying	Manufacturing (including Agro- based)	Electricity, Gas and Water Supply	Construction	Wholesale, Retail Trade, Restaurants and Hotels	Transport, Storage and Communication	Finance, Insurance, Real Estate and Business Activities	Education, Health and Others	Household	Others	Total
As at 31 December 2016	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
<u>On-Balance Sheet Exposures</u>												
Sovereign/Central Banks	-	-	-	269,336	431,800	-	140,653	420,188	454,447	-	961,501	2,677,925
Banks, DFIs & MDBs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	462,588	-	-	-	462,588
Insurance Companies, Securities Firms & Fund Managers	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Corporates	90,901	68,053	151,292	447,016	317,976	189,916	345,757	1,074,716	100,546	107,111	93,402	2,986,686
Regulatory Retail	-	-	1,291	-	8,113	29,736	22,230	177	34,930	149,156	1,699	247,332
Other assets	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	292,153	292,153
Defaulted Exposures	-	-	-	-	-	152	-	30,979	-	-	-	31,131
Total On-Balance Sheet Exposures	90,901	68,053	152,583	716,352	757,889	219,804	508,640	1,988,648	589,923	256,267	1,348,755	6,697,815
<u>Off Balance Sheet Exposures</u>												
OTC Derivatives	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	195,437	-	1	-	195,438
Non-OTC Derivatives	-	-	65,000	10,000	40,541	6,400	-	10,823	-	13,456	-	146,220
Total Off-Balance Sheet Exposures	-	-	65,000	10,000	40,541	6,400	-	206,260	-	13,457	-	341,658
Total Gross Credit Exposures	90,901	68,053	217,583	726,352	798,430	226,204	508,640	2,194,908	589,923	269,724	1,348,755	7,039,473

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(iii) The following table depicts the Bank's gross credit exposures analysed by residual contractual maturity analysis:

Table 5: Gross Credit Exposures by Residual Contractual Maturity Analysis

The Group

As at 31 December 2017 Exposure class	< 1 year RM'000	> 1 - 5 years RM'000	Over 5 years RM'000	No specific maturity RM'000	Total RM'000
<u>On-Balance Sheet Exposures</u>					
Sovereign/Central Banks	13,789	513,976	2,079,949	169,263	2,776,977
Banks, DFIs & MDBs	679,760	80,825	15,243	-	775,828
Insurance Companies, Securities Firms & Fund Managers	-	-	-	-	-
Corporates	384,309	1,488,688	703,048	254,264	2,830,309
Regulatory Retail	357,455	2,446	2,495	-	362,396
Other assets	-	-	-	350,481	350,481
Defaulted Exposures	14,417	36,545	14,938	-	65,900
Total On-Balance Sheet Exposures	1,449,730	2,122,480	2,815,673	774,008	7,161,891
<u>Off Balance Sheet Exposures</u>					
OTC Derivatives	107,678	61,402	-	-	169,080
Non-OTC Derivatives	116,595	240	-	-	116,835
Total Off-Balance Sheet Exposures	224,273	61,642	-	-	285,915
Total Gross Credit Exposures	1,674,003	2,184,122	2,815,673	774,008	7,447,806

The Bank

As at 31 December 2017 Exposure class	< 1 year RM'000	> 1 - 5 years RM'000	Over 5 years RM'000	No specific maturity RM'000	Total RM'000
<u>On-Balance Sheet Exposures</u>					
Sovereign/Central Banks	13,789	513,976	2,079,949	169,263	2,776,977
Banks, DFIs & MDBs	306,203	80,825	15,243	-	402,271
Insurance Companies, Securities Firms & Fund Managers	-	-	-	-	-
Corporates	384,309	1,487,698	703,048	224,629	2,799,684
Regulatory Retail	357,455	2,446	2,495	-	362,396
Other assets	-	-	-	227,727	227,727
Defaulted Exposures	14,417	36,545	14,938	-	65,900
Total On-Balance Sheet Exposures	1,076,173	2,121,490	2,815,673	621,619	6,634,955
<u>Off Balance Sheet Exposures</u>					
OTC Derivatives	107,678	61,402	-	-	169,080
Non-OTC Derivatives	116,595	240	-	-	116,835
Total Off-Balance Sheet Exposures	224,273	61,642	-	-	285,915
Total Gross Credit Exposures	1,300,446	2,183,132	2,815,673	621,619	6,920,870

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Table 5: Gross Credit Exposures by Residual Contractual Maturity Analysis (Continued)

The Group

As at 31 December 2016 Exposure class	< 1 year RM'000	> 1 - 5 years RM'000	Over 5 years RM'000	No specific maturity RM'000	Total RM'000
<u>On-Balance Sheet Exposures</u>					
Sovereign/Central Banks	24,333	454,925	2,020,803	177,864	2,677,925
Banks, DFIs & MDBs	643,842	135,985	10,111	-	789,938
Insurance Companies, Securities Firms & Fund Managers	-	-	-	-	-
Corporates	316,842	1,408,876	933,350	328,609	2,987,677
Regulatory Retail	241,900	2,717	2,715	-	247,332
Other assets	-	-	-	426,649	426,649
Defaulted Exposures	7,500	6,916	16,715	-	31,131
Total On-Balance Sheet Exposures	1,234,417	2,009,419	2,983,694	933,122	7,160,652
<u>Off Balance Sheet Exposures</u>					
OTC Derivatives	167,094	28,344	-	-	195,438
Non-OTC Derivatives	145,873	347	-	-	146,220
Total Off-Balance Sheet Exposures	312,967	28,691	-	-	341,658
Total Gross Credit Exposures	1,547,384	2,038,110	2,983,694	933,122	7,502,310

The Bank

As at 31 December 2016 Exposure class	< 1 year RM'000	> 1 - 5 years RM'000	Over 5 years RM'000	No specific maturity RM'000	Total RM'000
<u>On-Balance Sheet Exposures</u>					
Sovereign/Central Banks	24,333	454,925	2,020,803	177,864	2,677,925
Banks, DFIs & MDBs	316,492	135,985	10,111	-	462,588
Insurance Companies, Securities Firms & Fund Managers	-	-	-	-	-
Corporates	316,842	1,408,876	932,359	328,609	2,986,686
Regulatory Retail	241,900	2,717	2,715	-	247,332
Other assets	-	-	-	292,153	292,153
Defaulted Exposures	7,500	6,916	16,715	-	31,131
Total On-Balance Sheet Exposures	907,067	2,009,419	2,982,703	798,626	6,697,815
<u>Off Balance Sheet Exposures</u>					
OTC Derivatives	167,094	28,344	-	-	195,438
Non-OTC Derivatives	145,873	347	-	-	146,220
Total Off-Balance Sheet Exposures	312,967	28,691	-	-	341,658
Total Gross Credit Exposures	1,220,034	2,038,110	2,982,703	798,626	7,039,473

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4.2 Past Due And Impaired Loans, Advances And Financing

Loans, advances and financing are considered as past due once contractually agreed payments are due from the borrowers and not settled. Impairment means the Group and the Bank considers it probable that it will suffer a loss on a financial asset as a result of issuers'/borrowers' inability to meet their commitments according to the contractual terms and the absence of any alternative means of repayment or recovery.

The Group and the Bank assess at the end of the reporting period whether there is objective evidence that loans, advances and financing are impaired. Loans, advances and financing are impaired and impairment losses are incurred only if there is objective evidence of impairment as a result of one or more events that occurred after the initial recognition of the asset (a 'loss event') and that loss event (or events) has an impact on the estimated future cash flows of the loans, advances and financing that can be reliably estimated.

Evidence of impairment may include indications that the loans, advances and financing are experiencing significant financial difficulty, default or delinquency in interest or principal payments, the probability that they will enter bankruptcy or other financial reorganisation, and where observable data indicate that there is a measurable decrease in the estimated future cash flows, such as changes in arrears or economic conditions that correlate with defaults.

The criteria that the Group and the Bank use to determine that there is objective evidence of an impairment loss include among others as follows:

(i) Loans

For individual impairment assessment, impairment loss is measured as the difference between the asset's carrying amount and its present values of estimated future cash flows discounted at the asset's original effective interest rate. The amount of impairment loss shall be recognised in the income statement. For collateralised loans, the Bank will estimate future cash flows from the collateral or/and other sources of repayment.

(ii) Share Margin Financing

For individual impairment assessment, impairment loss is recognised when the equity ratio (collateral to outstanding amounts) of the margin account falls below the threshold set by the Bank. Impairment loss is measured as the difference between the asset's carrying amount (net of collateral and interest-in-suspense) and its present values of estimated future cash flows discounted at the asset's original effective interest rate. The amount of impairment loss shall be recognised in the income statement.

If, in a subsequent period, the amount of the impairment loss decreases and the decrease can be related objectively to an event occurring after the impairment was recognised (such as an improvement in the debtor's credit rating), the reversal of the previously recognised impairment loss is recognised in profit or loss.

For the purposes of a collective evaluation of impairment, loans, advances and financing are grouped on the basis of similar credit risk characteristics. Those characteristics are relevant to the estimation of future cash flows for groups of such loans, advances and financing by being indicative of the borrowers' ability to pay all amounts due according to the contractual terms of the loans being evaluated.

Future cash flows in a group of loans that are collectively evaluated for impairment are estimated on the basis of the contractual cash flows of the loans in the Bank and historical loss experience for loans with credit risk characteristics similar to those in the Bank. Historical loss experience is adjusted on the basis of current observable data to reflect the effects of current conditions that did not affect the period on which the historical loss experience is based and to remove the effects of conditions in the historical period that do not currently exist.

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4.2 Past Due And Impaired Loans, Advances And Financing (continued)

Estimates of changes in future cash flows for groups of loans should reflect and be directionally consistent with changes in related observable data from period to period (for example, changes in unemployment rates, property prices, payment status, or other factors indicative of changes in the probability of losses in the Group and the Bank and their magnitude). The methodology and assumptions used for estimating future cash flows are reviewed regularly by the Group and the Bank to reduce any differences between loss estimates and actual loss experience.

As at reporting date, the Group and the Bank have maintained the collective assessment allowances and regulatory reserves of no less than 1.2% in the financial statements.

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- (i) The sectorial analysis of past due and impaired loans, advances and financing and the individual and collective impairment loan provisions by sectors are depicted below:

Table 6: Past Due and Impaired Loans, Advances and Financing by Sectorial Analysis

The Group and The Bank	Impaired loans, advances and financing*	Individual assessment allowance	Collective assessment allowance	Total Impairment Allowance for Loans, Advances and Financing
As at 31 December 2017	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
By Sector				
Primary Agriculture	-	-	-	-
Mining and Quarrying	-	-	15	15
Manufacturing (including Agro-based)	36,545	-	734	734
Electricity, Gas and Water Supply	-	-	-	-
Construction	-	-	140	140
Wholesale, Retail Trade, Restaurants and Hotels	153	-	75	75
Transport, Storage and Communication	-	-	219	219
Finance, Insurance, Real Estate and Business Activities	29,202	-	1,094	1,094
Education, Health and Others	-	-	164	164
Household	10	10	305	315
Others	-	-	-	-
Total	65,910	10	2,746	2,756

* Impaired and past due loans, advances and financing form a subset of gross credit exposures.

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Table 6: Past Due and Impaired Loans, Advances and Financing by Sectorial Analysis (Continued)

The Group and The Bank	Impaired loans, advances and financing*	Individual assessment allowance	Collective assessment allowance	Total Impairment Allowance for Loans, Advances and Financing
As at 31 December 2016	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
By Sector				
Primary Agriculture	-	-	-	-
Mining and Quarrying	-	-	164	164
Manufacturing (including Agro-based)	7,500	7,500	251	7,751
Electricity, Gas and Water Supply	-	-	61	61
Construction	-	-	421	421
Wholesale, Retail Trade, Restaurants and Hotels	10,828	10,676	72	10,748
Transport, Storage and Communication	-	-	294	294
Finance, Insurance, Real Estate and Business Activities	30,979	-	1,507	1,507
Education, Health and Others	-	-	76	76
Household	-	-	325	325
Others	-	-	152	152
Total	49,307	18,176	3,323	21,499

* Impaired and past due loans, advances and financing form a subset of gross credit exposures.

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- (ii) The geographic analysis of past due and impaired loans, advances and financing and the individual and collective impairment loan allowances by geographical distribution can be analysed as follows:

Table 7: Past Due And Impaired Loans, Advances And Financing By Geographical Distribution

The Group and the Bank	Impaired loans, advances and financing*	Individual assessment allowance on impaired loans, advances and financing	Collective assessment allowance	Total Impairment Allowance for Loans, Advances and Financing
As at 31 December 2017				
By Geographical Distribution	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
Malaysia	65,910	10	2,746	2,756
Other Countries	-	-	-	-
Total	65,910	10	2,746	2,756

* Impaired and past due loans, advances and financing form a subset of gross credit exposures.

The Group and the Bank	Impaired loans, advances and financing*	Individual assessment allowance on impaired loans, advances and financing	Collective assessment allowance	Total Impairment Allowance for Loans, Advances and Financing
As at 31 December 2016				
By Geographical Distribution	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
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Other Countries	-	-	-	-
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* Impaired and past due loans, advances and financing form a subset of gross credit exposures.

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(iii) The table below depicts the movement of impairment allowances:

Table 8: Reconciliation of Changes In Loan Impairment Allowances

	The Group and the Bank	
	31.12.2017 RM'000	31.12.2016 RM'000
Individual Assessment Allowance		
At beginning of financial year	18,176	25,126
Allowance made during the financial year	13	-
Amount written off	(18,176)	-
Amount written-back	(3)	-
Provision converted to held-to-maturity	-	(6,950)
As at financial year end	<u>10</u>	<u>18,176</u>
Collective Assessment Allowance		
As at beginning of the financial year	3,323	9,407
Allowance made during the financial year	542	1,750
Amount written back	(1,119)	(7,834)
As at financial year end	<u>2,746</u>	<u>3,323</u>
Direct Income Statement Impacts		
Direct write offs	-	-
Direct recoveries	<u>1,122</u>	<u>7,834</u>

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4.3 Credit Risk Assessment Under Standardised Approach

In the assessment of credit risk under the Standardised Approach, the Bank is guided by BNM's pre-determined risk weights for certain classes of exposure that uses external ratings issued by an ECAI recognised by BNM.

The ECAIs recognised by BNM are as follows:

- Standard & Poor's Rating Services ("S&P")
- Moody's Investors Service ("Moody's")
- Fitch Ratings ("Fitch")
- Rating and Investment Information, Inc. (R&I)
- RAM Rating Services Berhad ("RAM")
-
- Malaysian Rating Corporation Berhad ("MARC")

The ratings of the above ECAIs are used in the credit risk assessment for the following classes of exposure:

- Sovereigns and Central Banks
- Banking Institutions
- Corporates
- Insurance Companies, Securities Firms and Fund Managers

If more than one rating is available for a specific exposure, the selection criteria as set out under the Single and Multiple Assessment in BNM RWCAF is applied in determining the relevant risk weight for the capital calculation. An exposure cannot be assigned with a risk weight that is lower than that of the sovereign risk of the country in which the asset is located. Where a rating is not available, the Bank follows the provisions stipulated under BNM RWCAF and deems the exposure as unrated.

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4.3 Credit Risk Assessment Under Standardised Approach

(i) Credit Exposure By Risk Weights

The following table depicts the credit risk exposure of the Bank by risk weight:

Table 9: Credit Risk Exposure by Risk Weight

Exposure after netting and credit risk mitigation												
The Group	Insurance Companies, Securities Firms & Corporates						Default (On Balance Sheet)		Non-OTC Derivatives		Total Exposures after Netting & Credit Risk Mitigation	Total Risk Weighted Assets
As at 31 December 2017	Sovereign / Central Banks	Banks, DFIs & MDBs	Fund Manager	Regulatory Retail	Other Assets	OTC Derivatives	OTC Derivatives	OTC Derivatives	OTC Derivatives	OTC Derivatives	OTC Derivatives	
Risk Weights	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
0%	2,756,528	-	-	-	-	39	-	-	-	-	2,756,567	-
20%	20,449	759,537	-	1,495,317	-	83,281	-	121,171	-	-	2,479,755	495,951
50%	-	16,291	-	24,712	-	-	-	4,400	-	-	45,403	22,702
75%	-	-	-	-	5,215	-	-	-	-	-	5,215	3,911
100%	-	-	-	1,310,280	-	267,161	-	43,509	116,835	-	1,737,785	1,737,785
150%	-	-	-	-	-	-	65,900	-	-	-	65,900	98,850
Total	2,776,977	775,828	-	2,830,309	5,215	350,481	65,900	169,080	116,835	-	7,090,625	2,359,199
Deduction from total capital	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Average risk weight												33.27%

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Table 9: Credit Risk Exposure by Risk Weight (Continued)

Exposure after netting and credit risk mitigation												
The Bank	Insurance Companies, Securities Firms & Corporates						Default (On Balance Sheet)		Non-OTC Derivatives		Total Exposures after Netting & Credit Risk Mitigation	Total Risk Weighted Assets
As at 31 December 2017	Sovereign / Central Banks	Banks, DFIs & MDBs	Fund Manager	Regulatory Retail	Other Assets	Regulatory Retail	Other Assets	OTC Derivatives	OTC Derivatives	Derivatives	RM'000	RM'000
Risk Weights	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
0%	2,756,528	-	-	-	-	37	-	-	-	-	2,756,565	-
20%	20,449	386,054	-	1,494,327	-	83,281	-	121,171	-	-	2,105,282	421,056
50%	-	16,217	-	24,712	-	-	-	4,400	-	-	45,329	22,665
75%	-	-	-	-	5,215	-	-	-	-	-	5,215	3,911
100%	-	-	-	1,280,645	-	144,409	-	43,509	116,835	-	1,585,398	1,585,398
150%	-	-	-	-	-	-	65,900	-	-	-	65,900	98,850
Total	2,776,977	402,271	-	2,799,684	5,215	227,727	65,900	169,080	116,835	-	6,563,689	2,131,880
Deduction from total capital	-	-	-	-	-	127,784	-	-	-	-	127,784	-
Average risk weight												32.48%

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Table 9: Credit Risk Exposure by Risk Weight (Continued)

Exposure after netting and credit risk mitigation												
The Group	Insurance Companies, Securities Firms & Fund Manager						Default (On Balance Sheet)		Non-OTC Derivatives		Total Exposures after Netting & Credit Risk Mitigation	Total Risk Weighted Assets
As at 31 December 2016	Sovereign / Central Banks	Banks, DFIs & MDBs	Regulatory Retail	Other Assets	OTC Derivatives	Other Assets	OTC Derivatives	OTC Derivatives	OTC Derivatives	OTC Derivatives	OTC Derivatives	
Risk Weights	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
0%	2,656,287	-	-	-	-	38	-	-	-	-	2,656,325	-
20%	21,638	698,357	-	1,608,306	-	-	-	119,320	-	-	2,447,621	489,524
50%	-	91,581	-	26,642	-	-	152	-	-	-	118,375	59,188
75%	-	-	-	-	5,560	-	-	-	-	-	5,560	4,170
100%	-	-	-	1,352,729	-	426,611	-	76,118	146,220	-	2,001,678	2,001,678
150%	-	-	-	-	-	-	30,979	-	-	-	30,979	46,468
Total	2,677,925	789,938	-	2,987,677	5,560	426,649	31,131	195,438	146,220	-	7,260,538	2,601,028
Deduction from total capital	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Average risk weight												35.82%

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Table 9: Credit Risk Exposure by Risk Weight (Continued)

Exposure after netting and credit risk mitigation													
The Bank	Insurance Companies, Securities Firms & Corporates						Regulatory	Other	Default (On	Non-OTC		Total Exposures	Total Risk
As at 31	Sovereign / Central	Banks, DFIs	Companies, Securities Firms & Fund Manager	Corporates	Regulatory	Other	Assets	Balance	OTC Derivatives	Derivatives	after Netting & Credit Risk Mitigation	Weighted	
December 2016	Banks	& MDBs			Retail			Sheet)				Assets	
Risk Weights	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	
0%	2,656,287	-	-	-	-	-	36	-	-	-	2,656,323	-	
20%	21,638	371,838	-	1,607,315	-	-	-	-	119,320	-	2,120,111	424,022	
50%	-	90,750	-	26,642	-	-	-	152	-	-	117,544	58,772	
75%	-	-	-	-	5,560	-	-	-	-	-	5,560	4,170	
100%	-	-	-	1,352,729	-	292,117	-	-	76,118	146,220	1,867,184	1,867,184	
150%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	30,979	-	-	30,979	46,468	
Total	2,677,925	462,588	-	2,986,686	5,560	292,153	-	31,131	195,438	146,220	6,797,701	2,400,616	
Deduction from total capital	-	-	-	-	-	-	121,217	-	-	-	121,217	-	
Average risk weight												35.32%	

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(ii) Credit Exposure By Risk Weight (Long Term Rating)

The following is a summary of the prescribed rules governing the Standardised Approach for rated, unrated and preferential / special risk weight of the exposures..

Table 10A: Long Term Credit Rating Category by External Credit Assessment Institution under Standardised Approach

Rating Category	External Credit Assessment Institutions (ECAIs)					
	S&P	Moody's	Fitch	R&I	RAM	MARC
1	AAA to AA-	Aaa to Aa3	AAA to AA-	AAA to AA-	AAA to AA3	AAA to AA-
2	A+ to A-	A1 to A3	A+ to A-	A+ to A-	A1 to A3	A+ to A-
3	BBB+ to BBB-	Baa1 to Baa3	BBB+ to BBB-	BBB+ to BBB-	BBB1 to BBB3	BBB+ to BBB-
4	BB+ to B-	Ba1 to B3	BB+ to B-	BB+ to B-	BB1 to B3	BB+ to B-
5	CCC+ to D	Caa1 to C	CCC+ to D	CCC+ to C	C1 to D	C+ to D
Unrated	Unrated					

Table 10B: Long term Credit Rating Risk Weight Category by External Credit Assessment Institution under Standardised Approach for Banking Institution, Corporate and Sovereign & Central Bank

Rating Category	Risk weights based on Credit Ratings of the Counterparty Exposure Class		
	Banking Institutions	Corporate	Sovereign & Central Bank
1	20%	20%	0%
2	50%	50%	20%
3	50%	100%	50%
4	100%	150%	100%
5	150%	150%	150%
Unrated	50%	100%	100%

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Table 11: Preferential / Special Risk Weight Allocation under Standardised Approach (for Long Term & Short Term)

	Exposure Category	Risk Weight
1	Exposures including debts securities issued by or guaranteed by Federal Government of Malaysia and/or Bank Negara Malaysia denominated and funded in Ringgit Malaysia	0%
2	Cash & Gold	0%
3	Investment in the ABF Malaysia Bond Index Fund	0%
4	Exposure on Bank for International Settlements, International Monetary Fund, European Central Bank & European	0%
5	Exposure to Multilateral Development Banks specified by Basel Committee of Banking Supervision	0%
6	Exposures including debts securities issued by or guaranteed by Federal Government and/or Central Bank denominated and funded in foreign currency	20%
7	Exposure to local Stock Exchange & Clearing House	20%
8	Unit Trust & Property Trust Fund	100%
9	Publicly Traded Equity Investment in Banking Book	100%
10	Equity held for socio-economic purpose	100%
11	Investment in Subsidiaries (other commercial entities)	1250%

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The following table depicts the credit risk exposure of the Bank by risk weight (long term ratings).

Table 12: Gross Credit Risk Exposure (Long Term)

The Group As at 31 December 2017 Risk Weights	Rated					Risk Weighted Allocation Preferential / Special Risk Weight			Unrated				Total RM'000	
	0% RM'000	20% RM'000	50% RM'000	100% RM'000	150% RM'000	0% RM'000	20% RM'000	100% RM'000	50% RM'000	75% RM'000	100% RM'000	150% RM'000		
<u>Categories of Exposure</u>														
<u>On and Off Balance-Sheet Exposures</u>														
Sovereign and Central Banks	-	-	-	-	-	2,756,528	20,449	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,776,977
Banks, DFIs and MDBs	-	880,709	20,690	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	901,399
<u>Credit Exposures (using Corporate Risk Weights)</u>														
Insurance Companies, Securities														
Firms & Fund Managers	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6,465	-	-	6,465
Corporates	-	1,495,317	24,712	101,642	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,362,517	-	-	2,984,188
Regulatory Retail	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	362,396	-	-	-	362,396
Other Assets	-	-	-	-	-	37	-	-	-	-	350,444	-	-	350,481
Defaulted Exposures	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	65,900	-	65,900
Total	-	2,376,026	45,402	101,642	-	2,756,565	20,449	-	-	362,396	1,719,426	65,900	-	7,447,806

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Table 12: Gross Credit Risk Exposure (Long Term) (Continued)

The Bank As at 31 December 2017 Risk Weights	Rated					Risk Weighted Allocation Preferential / Special Risk Weight			Unrated				Total RM'000	
	0% RM'000	20% RM'000	50% RM'000	100% RM'000	150% RM'000	0% RM'000	20% RM'000	100% RM'000	50% RM'000	75% RM'000	100% RM'000	150% RM'000		
Categories of Exposure														
<u>On and Off Balance-Sheet Exposures</u>														
Sovereign and Central Banks	-	-	-	-	-	2,756,528	20,449	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,776,977
Banks, DFIs and MDBs	-	507,225	20,617	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	527,842
<u>Credit Exposures (using Corporate Risk Weights)</u>														
Insurance Companies, Securities														
Firms & Fund Managers	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6,465	-	-	6,465
Corporates	-	1,494,327	24,712	101,642	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,332,882	-	-	2,953,563
Regulatory Retail	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	362,396	-	-	-	362,396
Other Assets	-	-	-	-	-	37	-	-	-	-	227,690	-	-	227,727
Defaulted Exposures	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	65,900	-	65,900
Total	-	2,001,552	45,329	101,642	-	2,756,565	20,449	-	-	362,396	1,567,037	65,900	-	6,920,870

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Table 12: Gross Credit Risk Exposure (Long Term) (Continued)

The Group As at 31 December 2016 Risk Weights	Risk Weighted Allocation													
	Rated					Preferential / Special Risk Weight			Unrated				Total RM'000	
	0% RM'000	20% RM'000	50% RM'000	100% RM'000	150% RM'000	0% RM'000	20% RM'000	100% RM'000	50% RM'000	75% RM'000	100% RM'000	150% RM'000		
Categories of Exposure														
<u>On and Off Balance-Sheet Exposures</u>														
Sovereign and Central Banks	-	-	-	-	-	2,656,287	21,638	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,677,925
Banks, DFIs and MDBs	-	817,676	91,582	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	909,258
<u>Credit Exposures (using Corporate Risk Weights)</u>														
Insurance Companies, Securities														
Firms & Fund Managers	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7,332	-	-	7,332
Corporates	-	1,608,306	26,642	68,479	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,499,255	-	-	3,202,682
Regulatory Retail	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	247,332	-	-	-	247,332
Other Assets	-	-	-	-	-	37	-	-	-	-	426,613	-	-	426,650
Defaulted Exposures	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	152	-	-	30,979	-	31,131
Total	-	2,425,982	118,224	68,479	-	2,656,324	21,638	-	152	247,332	1,933,200	30,979	-	7,502,310

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Table 12: Gross Credit Risk Exposure (Long Term) (Continued)

The Bank As at 31 December 2016 Risk Weights	Risk Weighted Allocation													
	Rated					Preferential / Special Risk Weight			Unrated				Total RM'000	
	0% RM'000	20% RM'000	50% RM'000	100% RM'000	150% RM'000	0% RM'000	20% RM'000	100% RM'000	50% RM'000	75% RM'000	100% RM'000	150% RM'000		
Categories of Exposure														
<u>On and Off Balance-Sheet Exposures</u>														
Sovereign and Central Banks	-	-	-	-	-	2,656,287	21,638	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,677,925
Banks, DFIs and MDBs	-	491,158	90,750	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	581,908
<u>Credit Exposures (using Corporate Risk Weights)</u>														
Insurance Companies, Securities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Firms & Fund Managers	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7,332	-	-	7,332
Corporates	-	1,607,315	26,642	68,479	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,499,255	-	-	3,201,691
Regulatory Retail	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	247,332	-	-	-	247,332
Other Assets	-	-	-	-	-	36	-	-	-	-	292,118	-	-	292,154
Defaulted Exposures	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	152	-	-	30,979	-	31,131
Total	-	2,098,473	117,392	68,479	-	2,656,323	21,638	-	152	247,332	1,798,705	30,979	-	7,039,473

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(iii) Credit Exposure By Risk Weight (Short Term Rating)

The following is summary of the prescribed rules governing the Standardised Approach for rated, unrated and preferential risk weight of the exposures.

Table 13: Short term Credit Rating Category by External Credit Assessment Institution under Standardised Approach

Rating Category	External Credit Assessment Institutions (ECAIs)					
	S&P	Moody's	Fitch	R&I	RAM	MARC
1	A-1	P-1	F1+, F1	a-1+, a-1	P-1	MARC-1
2	A-2	P-2	F2	a-2	P-2	MARC-2
3	A-3	P-3	F3	a-3	P-3	MARC-3
4	Others	Others	B to D	b, c	NP	MARC-4

Table 14: Short term Credit Rating Risk Weight Category by ECAIs under Standardised Approach for Banking Institution and Corporate

Rating Category	Risk weights based on Credit Ratings of the Counterparty Exposure Class	
	Banking Institutions	Corporate
	1	20%
2	50%	50%
3	100%	100%
4	150%	150%

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The following table depicts the credit risk exposure of the Bank by risk weight (short term ratings)

Table 15: Rated and Unrated Gross Credit Risk Exposure (Short Term Rating)

The Group and the Bank As at 31 December 2017 Risk Weights	Risk Weighted Allocation										
	Rated					Preferential / Special Risk Weight			Unrated		Total
	0%	20%	50%	100%	150%	0%	20%	100%	50%	100%	
RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
<u>Categories of Exposure</u>											
<u>On and Off Balance-Sheet Exposures</u>											
Sovereign and Central Banks	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Banks, DFIs and MDBs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<u>Credit Exposures (using Corporate Risk Weights)</u>											
Insurance Companies, Securities Firms & Fund Managers	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Corporates	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Regulatory Retail	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Assets	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Defaulted Exposures	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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Table 15: Rated and Unrated Gross Credit Risk Exposure (Short Term Rating) (Continued)

The Group and the Bank	Risk Weighted Allocation										
	Rated					Preferential / Special Risk Weight			Unrated		Total
	0%	20%	50%	100%	150%	0%	20%	100%	50%	100%	
Risk Weights	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
As at 31 December 2016											
Categories of Exposure											
<u>On and Off Balance-Sheet Exposures</u>											
Sovereign and Central Banks	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Banks, DFIs and MDBs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<u>Credit Exposures (using Corporate Risk Weights)</u>											
Insurance Companies, Securities Firms & Fund Managers	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Corporates	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Regulatory Retail	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Assets	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Defaulted Exposures	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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4.4 Credit Risk Mitigation Techniques Under Standardised Approach

The Bank uses a variety of techniques to mitigate credit risk, one of which is to evaluate and assess the creditworthiness and ability of a customer to service the debt facility without distress.

The Bank commonly obtains securities as collateral for loan and stockbroking trading portfolio. The Bank ensures that the collateral held is sufficiently liquid, legally effective, enforceable and regularly valued.

The Bank proactively manages its credit exposures and when weaknesses in exposures are detected either in individual exposures or in groups of exposures, prompt action is taken to mitigate the risks. These include steps to manage the exposure through discussion with the customers, borrowers, dealers' representatives or other relevant counterparties.

The Bank also uses legal agreements to reduce credit risk, including netting agreements which permits it to offset positive and negative balances with the same counterparties to minimise the exposure, financial guarantees and use of covenants in loan agreements.

Credit risk mitigation to address risk concentration takes several dimension, in which limits are set and monitored for individual and group counterparty level:

- Limits are set against all types of exposure to a counterparty name, in accordance with an agreed methodology for each exposure type, i.e. on and off balance sheet exposures. This includes credit risk exposure on individual derivative transactions, which incorporates potential future exposures from market movements.
- Aggregate facility levels by counterparty are set and monitored in accordance to regulatory requirement. Any limit breaches are subject to escalation procedures.
- Credit risk management includes control and review on sector exposures (for corporate loans and debt securities) to reflect the Bank's risk appetite and managing exposures to high risk and more vulnerable sectors and unfavourable rated debt securities. Exposures are monitored to prevent excessive concentration of risk.
- The Bank has limited exposure to external country risks as most of its exposures are concentrated in Malaysia.

Collateral

The Bank maintains guidelines on the acceptability of specific classes of collateral. The principal collateral types for loans and stockbroking trading accounts are:

- cash or deposits;
- debt securities and equities; and
- land or properties.

To mitigate credit risk while dealing in derivative products, the Bank makes use of margining arrangements under International Swap and Derivative Association ("ISDA") agreements, in which both counterparties are required to post collateral in the form of cash or liquid securities permitted under the agreements with applicable haircut as appropriate to cover outstanding trading positions if margining thresholds stated under Credit Support Annex ("CSA") of the ISDA Agreement are breached.

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4.4 Credit Risk Mitigation Techniques Under Standardised Approach (Continued)

It is the Bank's policy that collateral should be valued by an independent qualified source at inception. Collateral is reviewed on a regular basis in accordance with the credit policies applicable for Affin Banking Group, which will vary according to the type of exposures and collateral involved.

Tracking and controls over receipt and withdrawal of collaterals are maintained by a department independent from the business unit. For the collaterals in the form of securities, these are safeguarded by the custodian appointed by the Bank.

In order to minimise the credit loss, the Bank may seek additional collateral from the counterparty as soon as impairment indicators are identified for the relevant individual loans or when dealers' representatives have deficit cash collateral due to the deduction of cash collaterals against clients' overdue contra losses and interests under stockbroking trading accounts.

Guarantees

A guarantee is a legally binding contractual commitment made to the Bank that ensures that the guarantor is legally responsible to meet the obligations of a borrower in the event the borrower fails to pay.

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The following table depicts the Bank's exposures covered by guarantees and collaterals:

Table 16: Exposures Covered by Credit Risk Mitigation

The Group	Exposures before CRM RM'000	Exposures Covered by Guarantees RM'000	Exposures Covered by Eligible Financial Collateral RM'000	Exposures Covered by Other Eligible Collateral RM'000
As at 31 December 2017				
Exposure Class				
<u>On-Balance Sheet Exposures</u>				
Sovereigns/Central Banks	2,776,977	-	-	-
Banks, DFIs and MDBs	775,828	-	-	-
Insurance Companies, Securities Firms & Fund Managers	-	-	-	-
Corporates	2,830,309	-	-	-
Regulatory Retail	362,396	-	357,181	-
Other assets	350,481	-	-	-
Defaulted exposures	65,900	-	-	-
Total On-Balance Sheet Exposures	7,161,891	-	357,181	-
<u>Off-Balance Sheet Exposures</u>				
Over-the-counter ("OTC") derivatives	169,080	-	-	-
Non-OTC Derivatives	116,835	-	-	-
Total Off-Balance Sheet Exposures	285,915	-	-	-
Total Gross Credit Exposures	7,447,806	-	357,181	-

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Table 16: Exposures Covered by Credit Risk Mitigation (Continued)

The Bank	Exposures before CRM RM'000	Exposures Covered by Guarantees RM'000	Exposures Covered by Eligible Financial Collateral RM'000	Exposures Covered by Other Eligible Collateral RM'000
As at 31 December 2017				
Exposure Class				
<u>On-Balance Sheet Exposures</u>				
Sovereigns/Central Banks	2,776,977	-	-	-
Public Sector Entities	-	-	-	-
Banks, DFIs and MDBs	402,271	-	-	-
Insurance Companies, Securities Firms & Fund Managers	-	-	-	-
Corporates	2,799,684	-	-	-
Regulatory Retail	362,396	-	357,181	-
Other assets	227,727	-	-	-
Defaulted exposures	65,900	-	-	-
Total On-Balance Sheet Exposures	6,634,955	-	357,181	-
<u>Off-Balance Sheet Exposures</u>				
Over-the-counter ("OTC") derivatives	169,080	-	-	-
Non-OTC Derivatives	116,835	-	-	-
Total Off-Balance Sheet Exposures	285,915	-	-	-
Total Gross Credit Exposures	6,920,870	-	357,181	-

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Table 16: Exposures Covered by Credit Risk Mitigation (Continued)

The Group	Exposures before CRM RM'000	Exposures Covered by Guarantees RM'000	Exposures Covered by Eligible Financial Collateral RM'000	Exposures Covered by Other Eligible Collateral RM'000
As at 31 December 2016				
Exposure Class				
<u>On-Balance Sheet Exposures</u>				
Sovereigns/Central Banks	2,677,925	-	-	-
Banks, DFIs and MDBs	789,938	-	-	-
Insurance Companies, Securities Firms & Fund Managers	-	-	-	-
Corporates	2,987,677	-	-	-
Regulatory Retail	247,332	-	241,772	-
Other assets	426,649	-	-	-
Defaulted exposures	31,131	-	-	-
Total On-Balance Sheet Exposures	7,160,652	-	241,772	-
<u>Off-Balance Sheet Exposures</u>				
Over-the-counter ("OTC") derivatives	195,438	-	-	-
Non-OTC Derivatives	146,220	-	-	-
Total Off-Balance Sheet Exposures	341,658	-	-	-
Total Gross Credit Exposures	7,502,310	-	241,772	-

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Table 16: Exposures Covered by Credit Risk Mitigation (Continued)

The Bank	Exposures before CRM RM'000	Exposures Covered by Guarantees RM'000	Exposures Covered by Eligible Financial Collateral RM'000	Exposures Covered by Other Eligible Collateral RM'000
As at 31 December 2016				
Exposure Class				
<u>On-Balance Sheet Exposures</u>				
Sovereigns/Central Banks	2,677,925	-	-	-
Banks, DFIs and MDBs	462,588	-	-	-
Insurance Companies, Securities Firms & Fund Managers	-	-	-	-
Corporates	2,986,686	-	-	-
Regulatory Retail	247,332	-	241,772	-
Other assets	292,153	-	-	-
Defaulted exposures	31,131	-	-	-
Total On-Balance Sheet Exposures	6,697,815	-	241,772	-
<u>Off-Balance Sheet Exposures</u>				
Over-the-counter ("OTC") derivatives	195,438	-	-	-
Non-OTC Derivatives	146,220	-	-	-
Defaulted exposures	-	-	-	-
Total Off-Balance Sheet Exposures	341,658	-	-	-
Total Gross Credit Exposures	7,039,473	-	241,772	-

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4.5 Off-Balance Sheet Exposure and Counterparty Credit Risk

Counterparty Credit Risk is the risk that the counterparty to a transaction could default before the final settlement of the transaction's cash flows. Transactions refer to contracts for financial instruments including derivative contracts and unsettled securities.

Credit risk arising from derivative transaction can be mitigated in several ways, including the use of:

- Collateral, which may be liquidated and satisfy the counterparty's obligations to the Bank upon closeout.
- Netting, which gives the Bank the right to close out and net all transactions under market standard master netting agreements such as the ISDA Master Agreement and CSA;

The above risk mitigation techniques are employed where possible and are explained as below:

Collateral

The Bank will negotiate for CSA under ISDA Master Agreement with selected counterparties on a case-by-case basis, where collateral is deemed necessary mitigator to the risk exposure. The terms of the CSA specified in each legal document are required to be approved by Compliance, Legal and Corporate Services Department. The nature of the collateral will be specified in the legal document and can be cash or selected government securities. Any non-cash collateral taken will be subject to a 'haircut' which is negotiated at time of signing of the collateral agreement and this will be largely based on liquidity and price volatility of the underlying collateral security.

A daily operational process takes place to calculate the mark-to-market on all trades and collateral captured under the CSA. Additional collateral will be called from the counterparty if total uncollateralised marked-to-market exposure exceeds the threshold and minimum transfer amount specified in the CSA. Additional collateral may be required from the counterparty to provide an extra buffer to the daily variation margin process.

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4.5 Off-Balance Sheet Exposure and Counterparty Credit Risk (Continued)

Bilateral Netting Agreement

The Bank further reduces its credit exposures to counterparty by entering into contractual netting agreement which creates a single legal obligation, covering all transactions that the Bank could have either a claim to receive or obligation to pay only the net sum of the positive (amounts owed by the counterparty) and negative (amounts owed by the Bank) mark-to-market values of all transactions including individuals in the event a counterparty fails to perform due to default, bankruptcy, liquidation or similar circumstances.

ISDA Master Agreement is the Bank's preferred agreement as it encompasses the largest number of products and thus provides the greatest cross-product netting benefits.

Credit Equivalent Limits

All credit exposures are approved either by approval of an individual facility (e.g. loan) or under a system of credit limits (e.g. derivatives, securities, stockbroking trading exposures). Credit exposure is monitored daily to ensure it does not exceed the approved credit limit. These credit limits are set either on notional exposure or pre-settlement credit exposure basis (e.g. for derivatives). Credit Equivalent Limit is an estimate of the potential exposure in the event that the counterparty default prior to settlement of the contract.

Collateral Requirement in the Event Of a Downgrade in Credit Ratings

A significant increase in the level of collateral would be required in the event of a credit ratings downgrade of the counterparties as allowable in the collateral agreements.

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4.5 Off-Balance Sheet Exposure and Counterparty Credit Risk

The following table depicts disclosure of off-balance sheet and counterparty credit risk:

Table 17: Off-Balance Sheet and Counterparty Credit Risk

The Group and the Bank	Principal	Positive Fair Value of Derivative Contracts	Credit Equivalent Amount	Risk Weighted Assets
As at 31 December 2017	Amount	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
Description	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
Direct Credit Substitutes	104,927	-	104,927	104,927
Foreign exchange related contracts				
One year or less	5,084,328	43,906	107,321	47,170
Over one year to five years	283,764	9,939	26,403	14,383
Over five years	-	-	-	-
Interest rate related contracts				
One year or less	250,000	-	357	71
Over one year to five years	1,515,000	1,105	34,999	8,320
Other commitments, such as formal standby facilities and credit lines, with an original maturity of over one year	480	-	240	240
Other commitments, such as formal standby facilities and credit lines, with an original maturity of up to one year	58,339	-	11,668	11,668
Any commitments that are unconditionally cancelled at any time by the bank without prior notice or that effectively provide for automatic cancellation due to deterioration in a borrower's creditworthiness	409,263	-	-	-
Total	7,706,101	54,950	285,915	186,779

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Table 17: Off-Balance Sheet and Counterparty Credit Risk (Continued)

The Group and the Bank	Principal	Positive Fair Value of Derivative Contracts	Credit Equivalent Amount	Risk Weighted Assets
As at 31 December 2016	Amount	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
Description	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
Direct Credit Substitutes	110,050	-	110,050	110,050
Foreign exchange related contracts				
One year or less	3,001,759	113,676	166,356	83,320
Over one year to five years	220,011	7,137	20,057	14,857
Over five years	-	-	-	-
Interest rate related contracts				
One year or less	300,000	289	739	148
Over one year to five years	370,000	986	8,286	1,657
Over five years	-	-	-	-
Other commitments, such as formal standby facilities and credit lines, with an original maturity of over one year	694	-	347	347
Other commitments, such as formal standby facilities and credit lines, with an original maturity of up to one year	179,115	-	35,823	35,823
Any commitments that are unconditionally cancelled at any time by the bank without prior notice or that effectively provide for automatic cancellation due to deterioration in a borrower's creditworthiness	367,710	-	-	-
Total	4,549,339	122,088	341,658	246,202

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5 SECURITISATION

The Group and the Bank currently do not have any securitisation activities.

6 MARKET RISK

Market risk is the risk of losses arising from changes in market prices or rates, such as interest rates, foreign exchange rates, equity prices and commodity prices, as well as their correlations and implied volatilities.

Risk Governance

The Board establishes the Bank's risk appetite for market risk. The BRMC is delegated with the oversight of the market risk management and responsible for the approval of high-level issues.

The ALCO reviews, assesses and monitors risk controls, risk limits, stress testing results, adequacy of reserves, valuation methodology and internal models.

Policies and Approaches

The market risk policy of the Bank establishes the base standards on management of market and liquidity risks within the Bank. Together with the Bank's other existing policies, detailed guidelines/ methodologies in managing market and liquidity risks are laid down to cover the following areas:

- Market risk management principles;
- Market risk measurement methodologies;
- Trading and banking book classification;
- Valuation methodology;
- Market risk limit structure and management;
- Stress testing approach; and
- Internal controls and standards on validation of valuation models and market risk models

The principal measurement methodology used by the Bank to measure and control market risk exposures arising from the trading book portfolio is Value-at-Risk ("VaR"). The VaR model measures the material risks arising from trading book, which covers interest rate and foreign exchange risks. The Bank uses a variance-covariance method based on a 1-day holding period and a 99% confidence interval as its market risk VaR methodology. The VaR model is back-tested regularly to validate its robustness.

In addition, the Bank also uses other market risk controls, such as stop loss control, which sets a threshold on the net cumulative loss of the trading book over a defined period of time; and present value basis point, an interest rate sensitivity tool.

Stress testing complements the VaR framework in measuring market risks. Specifically, stress tests capture the impact of tail-end (i.e. extreme events and shocks that can potentially lead to heavy losses) and other risks which are not reflected in the VaR model. For more detailed information, please see Stress Testing discussed under Risk Management Section of Pillar 3 Disclosures.

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Risk Reporting and Monitoring

RMD is responsible in the monitoring and tracking of market risk limits based on the frequencies as set out in the Bank's relevant risk policies. Any limit excesses are reported in accordance with the exception escalation procedures, which may be followed by the appropriate remedial processes, if necessary.

The Bank also sets trigger limits in alerting any potential limit breaches and unusual movements of certain indicators to prompt early investigative action and escalation process. This is part of the daily trading disciplines on the trading book activities. Review of the market risk limits is conducted annually.

Market risk reports are submitted on periodical basis to ALCO and BRMC in order to facilitate their effective oversight of market risk management activities through evaluation of the nature, level and trend of market risk undertaken by the Bank.

Regulatory Capital Treatment

The Bank is adopting the Standardised Approach in calculating market risk RWA. Market risk is measured for interest rate and equity risks pertaining to financial instruments in the trading book and foreign exchange risk in both the trading and banking books, as well as options risk arising from underwriting activities; as defined under BNM RWCAF for regulatory capital computation purpose.

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7 OPERATIONAL RISK

Operational risk is the risk of loss resulting from inadequate or failed internal processes, people or systems, or from external events. This includes risks such as fraud, physical damages, business disruptions, transaction failures, cyber threats, legal and regulatory breaches (including fiduciary breaches and Shariah non-compliances) as well as employee/agent (natural person) health and safety hazards. Operational risk is an unavoidable risk to the Bank as it is inherent in its business operations. Nonetheless, the Bank would manage the operational risk within an acceptable level in accordance with the Bank's Operational Risk Management Policy.

Risk Governance

The Operational Risk Management ("ORM") Governance structure warrants the Bank, Board and Business / Support Units to discharge their responsibilities in an aligned and formalised manner, thereby ensuring operational risks are being managed effectively and within the risk tolerance set by Board.

The Board is actively involved in the oversight of the operational risk management of the Bank through BRMC, which operates as a functional committee of the Board within its delegated authority by Board. The Board provides leadership, direction and oversight on the design and implementation of the Bank's ORM Policy. The Board approves the ORM policy, operational risk appetite and overall strategies that the ORM Policy is consistent with the Bank's risk tolerance level given the nature, complexity, materiality of the Bank's business operations.

BRMC reviews the ORM policy to ensure the policy is adequate and robust to address operational risk prior to recommendation to the Board for approval. BRMC also oversees and reviews reports in respect of the Bank's operational risks exposure.

CROC assists the Board and the BRMC in managing operational risk within the Bank, which includes overseeing and ensuring the effectiveness of the Bank's operational risk management infrastructure (including frameworks, policies, people, processes, information, methodologies and systems). Its key responsibilities include reviewing and deliberating on all operational risk events reported and effectiveness of the Bank's controls to manage operational risk, assessing and monitoring of significant operational risk exposures, providing direction for resolution of critical operational risk issues, evaluating vulnerabilities, threats and exposures relating to information assets and ensuring control and security measures are adequate to protect these areas, assessing overall disaster and business continuity effectiveness against the various scenarios of operational disruption and system-related breakdowns; and reviewing and ensuring compliance with all relevant laws and regulations.

The ORMU has a centralised functional role for operational risk management within the RMD and it is independent of any other functions and operations within the Bank. The ORMU, reporting directly to the Head of RMD, plays a key role in establishing the ORM Policy including identification, measurement, reporting and controls of operational risk, developing appropriate assessment and methodology to evaluate operational risk, supporting and guiding the Business/Support Units in the implementation of the Bank's ORM Framework and tools, particularly in promoting and inculcating 'risk awareness' culture across the Bank and acting as point of contact of operational risk issues with regard to interfacing with regulatory bodies.

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Policies and Approaches

Affin Hwang Investment Bank Berhad's Operational Risk Management Policy, approved by the Board, governs the ORM framework and methodology used to ensure that operational risks within the Bank are identified, monitored and managed in a systematic and consistent manner.

Risk Measurement

Operational Risk Measurement Tools

The Bank has put in place comprehensive operational risk (OR) identification, assessment & measurement, control & monitoring and reporting of OR exposures through indicators and metrics such as Loss Event Database (LED), Key Risk Indicators (KRIs), Risk and Control Self Assessment (RCSA) and Key Control Standard (KCS).

The Bank also adopts the Group Product Programme which sets out the minimum standards concerning introduction of new products as well as the maintenance of Product Programs across all Business Divisions within Affin Banking Group.

Each new product or service introduced that results in a material change to the risk profile of the Bank is subject to a rigorous risk review and signoff process where all relevant risks are identified and assessed by departments independent of the risk-taking unit proposing the product. Variation that constitutes a material change in the risk profile of existing products is also subject to a similar process. RCSA complements the risk assessment on operational risk as required by the Product Programme. Thus RCSA will be performed by the department which the product or service originate or belongs to, to identify and assess the inherent operational risk related to the new product or service. The resulting risk profile will subsequently be submitted to the RMD for review and consideration prior to submission to the relevant management and/or board committee for approval.

There are other major operational risk mitigation programmes and Business Continuity Management that applies to all Business/Support units and branches in all locations.

Risk Reporting and Monitoring

RMD is responsible for the monitoring and tracking of operational risk based on the information obtained through the ORM tools. Exception reports are produced on a regular basis, highlighting material operational risk related issues to CROC and BRMC as well as Group Operational Risk Management Committee ("GORMC") for risk monitoring and appropriate level of management decision making.

Regulatory Capital Treatment

The Bank adopts the Basic Indicator Approach in calculating the operational risk RWA as at 31 December 2017.

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8 EQUITIES IN THE BANKING BOOK

The Bank's banking book equity investment consists of:

- Investments held for yield and/or long term capital gains; and
- Strategic stakes in entities held as part of growth initiatives and/or in support of business operations.

Investment in equity or Collective Investment Scheme ("CIS") investments are subject to limits which are set based on the Bank's total capital and/or notional limits.

Accounting for Equity or CIS Holdings in the Banking Book

Different equity investment positions have different accounting treatments depending on the nature of the exposures. Where the equity investment is not subject to the significant influence or joint control of the Bank, it is held as a direct investment, which is classified as AFS.

AFS securities are initially stated at fair value except for investments in equity/CIS that do not have a quoted market price in an active market and whose fair value cannot be reliably measured, will be stated at cost. Consistent with the valuation of financial instruments, fair value of equity securities is initially and subsequently determined using, where available, quoted prices in active markets or valuation techniques where quoted prices in active markets are not available.

Any gain or loss arising from the change in fair value is recognised directly in equity through the statement of changes in equity except for impairment losses and foreign exchange gains or losses. When securities in AFS portfolio are sold, the cumulative gains or losses previously recognised in equity shall be transferred to the income statement.

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The following table depicts the fair value and risk weighted assets of and gains and losses on equity/ CIS investments under banking book:

Table 18: Equities under Banking Book

The Group and the Bank As at 31 December 2017	Fair Value	Risk Weighted Assets
Type of Equity Investments	RM'000	RM'000
Publicly traded	24,730	24,730
Privately held	20,611	20,611
Total	45,341	45,341

	RM'000
Cumulative realised gains/(losses) from sales and liquidations of equity investments	15,740
Total unrealised gains/(losses) in other comprehensive income	2,783

The Group and the Bank As at 31 December 2016	Fair Value	Risk Weighted Assets
Type of Equity Investments	RM'000	RM'000
Publicly traded	25,852	25,852
Privately held	19,528	19,528
Total	45,380	45,380

	RM'000
Cumulative realised gains/(losses) from sales and liquidations of equity investments	346
Total unrealised gains/(losses) in other comprehensive income	2,126

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9 INTEREST RATE RISK IN THE BANKING BOOK

The Bank is exposed to interest rate risk in banking book (“IRRBB”) when there are re-pricing mismatches due to differing tenors and pricing of interest-sensitive assets, liabilities and derivative financial instruments in the banking book.

Policies and Approaches

The management of IRRBB is governed under the Asset Liability Management Policy.

The objective of the management of IRRBB is to maintain an acceptable mismatch in interest-sensitive assets, liabilities and derivative financial instruments in the banking book, while achieving a desired level of earnings.

Risk Measurement

In managing IRRBB, both the earnings and economic value approaches are adopted. Interest-sensitive assets, liabilities and derivative financial instruments are grouped into time buckets based on the earlier of remaining period to maturity or next re-pricing; before a parallel interest rate shock is applied to arrive at the sensitivity shocks on earnings and economic value.

The earnings approach focuses on the impact of interest rate movement on the Bank’s near term earnings. The economic value approach provides a more comprehensive view of the impact of interest rate movements on the economic value of the Bank’s overall positions.

Risk Reporting and Monitoring

The impact of interest rate movements quantified using the economic value approach is subject to approved limit and monitored on daily basis. Review of the risk limit is conducted annually.

Impact on earnings and economic value are periodically reported to ALCO and BRMC to facilitate their effective oversight of interest rate risk in banking book. Any non-compliance is subject to a set of escalation procedures.

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The following table depicts the sensitivity shocks on earnings and economic value of the Bank's positions in banking book, to a parallel interest rate shock of +/- 100 basis points ("bps"):

Table 19: Sensitivity of the banking book to interest rate changes

As at 31 December 2017	The Group Increase / (Decrease) in RM'000		The Bank Increase / (Decrease) in RM'000	
	+100 bps	-100 bps	+100 bps	-100 bps
*Impact on Earnings				
MYR	(22,935)	22,935	(22,935)	22,935
USD	(239)	239	(239)	239
SGD	23	(23)	23	(23)
Others	40	(40)	40	(40)
Total	(23,111)	23,111	(23,111)	23,111
~Impact on Economic Value				
MYR	182,408	(182,408)	182,368	(182,368)
USD	2,770	(2,770)	2,770	(2,770)
SGD	3,313	(3,313)	3,313	(3,313)
Others	78	(78)	78	(78)
Total	188,569	(188,569)	188,529	(188,529)
As at 31 December 2016				
*Impact on Earnings				
MYR	(35,709)	35,709	(35,709)	35,709
USD	(581)	581	(581)	581
SGD	183	(183)	183	(183)
Others	(9)	9	(9)	9
Total	(36,116)	36,116	(36,116)	36,116
~Impact on Economic Value				
MYR	187,018	(187,018)	186,967	(186,967)
USD	6,759	(6,759)	6,759	(6,759)
SGD	2,298	(2,298)	2,298	(2,298)
Others	700	(700)	700	(700)
Total	196,775	(196,775)	196,724	(196,724)

* The earnings approach focuses on the impact of interest rate movement on the Bank's near term earnings (within 1 year).

~ The economic value approach provides a more comprehensive view of the impact of interest rate movement on the economic value of the Bank's overall positions.