

Independent Auditors' Report to the members of CIMB Bank Berhad

(Company No: 13491-P)
(Incorporated in Malaysia)

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the Financial Statements of CIMB Bank Berhad, which comprise the balance sheets as at 31 December 2009 of the Group and of the Bank, and the income statements, statements of changes in equity and cash flow statements of the Group and of the Bank for the financial year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory notes, as set out on pages 15 to 254.

Directors' Responsibility for the Financial Statements

The Directors of the Bank are responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these Financial Statements in accordance with the Companies Act, 1965, the MASB Approved Accounting Standards in Malaysia for Entities Other Than Private Entities and the Bank Negara Malaysia Guidelines. This responsibility includes designing, implementing and maintaining internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of Financial Statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies; and making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances.

Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these Financial Statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with approved standards on auditing in Malaysia. Those standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the Financial Statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the Financial Statements. The procedures selected depend on our judgement, including the assessment of risks of material misstatement of the Financial Statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, we consider internal control relevant to the Bank's preparation and fair presentation of the Financial Statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Bank's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the Directors, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the Financial Statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

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Opinion

In our opinion, the Financial Statements have been properly drawn up in accordance with the Companies Act, 1965, the MASB Approved Accounting Standards in Malaysia for Entities Other Than Private Entities and the Bank Negara Malaysia Guidelines so as to give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Group and of the Bank as of 31 December 2009 and of their financial performance and cash flows for the financial year then ended.

Report on Other Legal and Regulatory Requirements

In accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 1965, in Malaysia, we also report the following:

- (a) In our opinion, the accounting and other records and the registers required by the Act to be kept by the Bank and its subsidiaries of which we have acted as auditors have been properly kept in accordance with the provisions of the Act.
- (b) We have considered the financial statements and the auditors' reports of all the subsidiaries of which we have not acted as auditors, which are indicated in Note 11 to the Financial Statements.
- (c) We are satisfied that the financial statements of the subsidiaries that have been consolidated with the Bank's Financial Statements are in form and content appropriate and proper for the purposes of the preparation of the Financial Statements of the Group and we have received satisfactory information and explanations required by us for those purposes.
- (d) The audit reports on the accounts of the subsidiaries did not contain any qualification or any adverse comment made under Section 174(3) of the Act.

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Other Matters

This report is made solely to the members of the Bank, as a body, in accordance with Section 174 of the Companies Act, 1965 in Malaysia and for no other purpose. We do not assume responsibility to any other person for the content of this report.

PricewaterhouseCoopers
(No. AF: 1146)
Chartered Accountants

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Chartered Accountant

Kuala Lumpur
30 March 2010