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# Pronouncement of the Internal Shariah Supervision Committee of HSBC Bank Middle East Limited

In the name of Allah, the Most Gracious, the Most Merciful
All Praise is due to Allah, the Cherisher of the world
Peace and blessing be upon the Prophet of Allah, on his family and all his companions

# **Collateralised Murabaha Financing**

The Internal Shariah Supervision Committee ("ISSC") of HSBC Bank Middle East Limited (the "Bank" or "HSBC") has reviewed the structure and documentation for the Collateralised Murabaha Financing product (the "Product") backed by a Shariah compliant portfolio of assets as collateral. The structure and documentation will be as following:

#### a. Structure

- 1. A Murabaha financing facility ("Murabaha Financing Facility") will be provided by the Bank to its counterparty (the "Counterparty") which will be secured by a portfolio of Shariah-compliant assets, such as Sukuk, equities and/or cash (the "Collateral Portfolio of Assets") provided by the Counterparty in favour of the Bank. Under the Collateral Support Agreements, the Collateral Portfolio of Assets will be taken to secure the obligations of the Counterparty under the Murabaha Financing Facility. An amount equal to any income derived from the Collateral Portfolio of Assets during the life of the Product is returned to the Counterparty. Once the Counterparty's obligations under the Murabaha Agreement are settled, the Bank will deliver the Collateral Portfolio of Assets with full title back to the Counterparty pursuant to Collateral Support Agreement.
- 2. As long as the Counterparty's obligations to the Bank are outstanding under the Murabaha Financing Facility, the Counterparty undertakes to provide margin or additional Shariah-compliant assets (if requested by the Bank) to the Bank to ensure that the market value of the Collateral Portfolio of Assets meets an agreed threshold. If the Bank requests cash collateral to meet the agreed threshold, the cash collateral will then be placed with a non-HSBC custodian.

## b. Documentation

- 1. Master Murabaha Agreement Security Interest (Fixed Interest)
- 2. Master Murabaha Agreement Title Transfer (Fixed Interest)
- 3. Master Collateral Support Agreement Security Interest
- 4. Master Collateral Support Agreement Title Transfer
- 5. Master Euroclear Security Agreement
- 6. Supplemental Instrument (Fixed Rate Security Interest)
- 7. Supplemental Instrument (Fixed Rate Title Transfer)

The ISSC hereby rules that the structure and documentation of the Product are in accordance with the principles of Islamic Shariah.

Allah Knows best.

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