Company Name : BURSA MALAYSIA BERHAD

Description : **DISPOSAL OF CME GROUP INC SHARES** 

#### 1. INTRODUCTION

The Board of Directors of Bursa Malaysia wishes to announce that Bursa Malaysia Berhad ("Bursa Malaysia") had, on 20 November 2019, 21 November 2019 and 22 November 2019, disposed an aggregate of 85,000 ordinary shares of CME Group Inc ("CME Group") Class A common stock for a total gross cash sum of USD17,579,501 or RM73,447,155 ("**Disposal Consideration**") in the open market on the Nasdaq Stock Market (hereinafter referred to as the "**Disposal**").

[Note: Exchange rate of USD1.00 equals to RM4.178 was used for conversion]

#### 2. DETAILS OF THE DISPOSAL

## 2.1 Information on CME Group

CME Group was incorporated under the laws of the State of Delaware, United States of America, on 2 August 2001 as a corporation under the name Chicago Mercantile Exchange Holdings Inc. In December 2002, Chicago Mercantile Exchange Holdings Inc completed its initial public offering of its Class A common stock, which is listed on the NASDAQ Global Select Market under the symbol "CME". On 12 July 2007, CME Group merged with CBOT Holdings Inc and was renamed CME Group Inc.

Based on CME Group's audited financial statements as at 31 December 2018, the net profits and the net assets were USD851.2 million and USD1,310.5 million, respectively.

Further information on CME Group is set out in Appendix A of this announcement.

# 2.2 Basis of Arriving at the Disposal Consideration

The Disposal Consideration was based on the prevailing market price at the point of disposal.

#### 2.3 Utilisation of Proceeds

The proceeds from the Disposal will be utilised for the acquisition of the 25% equity interest in Bursa Malaysia Derivatives Berhad from CME Group Strategic Investments LLC as announced on 18 September 2019.

# 2.4 Original Cost and Date of Investment

The date and the original cost of investment for the disposed CME Group shares is as follows:

<u>Date</u> <u>Cost of Investment (USD)</u>

30 November 2009 USD5,580,250 (equivalent to USD65.65 per share)

## 2.5 Details of the disposal

The details of the CME Group shares being disposed are as follows:

<u>Date</u>	No. of Shares Disposed
20 November 2019	10,000
21 November 2019	30,000
22 November 2019	45,000

The balance of the CME Group shares held by Bursa Malaysia after the Disposal is 297,135 shares.

## 3. RATIONALE

The Disposal is for Bursa Malaysia to fund the acquisition of the 25% equity interest in Bursa Malaysia Derivatives Berhad from CME Group Strategic Investments LLC as announced on 18 September 2019.

#### 4. RISK FACTORS

Save for the normal business and global economic risk, the Board of Directors of Bursa Malaysia is not aware of any other risk factors which may arise as a result of the Disposal.

# 5. FINANCIAL EFFECTS OF THE DISPOSAL

The Disposal will not have any material effect on the earnings per share, net asset per share, share capital and the substantial shareholders' direct and/or indirect shareholdings of Bursa Malaysia for the financial year ending 31 December 2019. The Disposal will not have any material gain or loss to Bursa Malaysia.

## 6. APPROVAL REQUIRED

The Disposal does not require the approval of the shareholders of Bursa Malaysia or any relevant authority.

# 7. DIRECTORS' AND/OR MAJOR SHAREHOLDERS' INTEREST

None of the Directors and/or major shareholders and/or any person connected to the Directors and/or major shareholders of Bursa Malaysia has any interest, either directly or indirectly in the Disposal.

## 8. DIRECTORS' STATEMENT

After having considered all aspects of the Disposal, the Board of Directors of Bursa Malaysia is of the opinion that the Disposal is in the best interest of Bursa Malaysia.

## 9. PERCENTAGE RATIO

The highest percentage ratio applicable to the Disposal pursuant to Paragraph 10.02 of the Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad Main Market Listing Requirement is 8.4% based on the latest audited financial statement of Bursa Malaysia as at 31 December 2018.

This announcement is dated 25 November 2019.

#### APPENDIX A

#### 1. INFORMATION ON CME GROUP INC

- August 2001 as a corporation under the name Chicago Mercantile Exchange Holdings Inc. In December 2002, Chicago Mercantile Exchange Holdings Inc. completed its initial public offering of its Class A common stock, which is listed on the NASDAQ Global Select Market under the symbol "CME". On 12 July 2007, CME merged with CBOT Holdings, Inc and was renamed CME Group Inc. In connection with the merger, CME acquired the CBOT exchange. In 2008, CME Group Inc merged with NYMEX Holdings, Inc. and acquired New York Mercantile Exchange ("NYMEX") and Commodity Exchange, Inc ("COMEX"). On 17 October 2012, CME Group Inc acquired The Board of Trade of Kansas City, Missouri, Inc. ("KCBT") and its hard red winter wheat product line and effective from December 2013, KCBT operations were transferred to CBOT. In April 2013, CME Group purchased the non-controlling interest in CME Group Index Services from Dow Jones & Company.
- 1.2 CME Group Inc is the holding company for Chicago Mercantile Exchange Inc, CBOT, NYMEX, COMEX and their respective subsidiaries. Through its exchanges, CME Group Inc offers the widest range of global benchmark products across all major asset classes, including futures and options based on interest rates, equity indexes, foreign exchange, energy, agriculture products and metals. CME Group Inc provides electronic trading globally on its CME Globex platform. The Company also offers clearing and settlement services across asset classes for exchange-traded and over-the-counter derivatives through its clearing house, CME Clearing.
- 1.3 The Board of Directors of CME Group Inc comprises of Terrence A. Duffy, Charles P. Carey, Michael A. Spencer, Timothy S. Bitsberger, Dennis H. Chookaszian, Elizabeth A. Cook, Ana Dutra, Martin J. Gepsman, Larry G. Gerdes, Daniel R. Glickman, Yra G. Harris, Gedon Hertshten, William W. Hobert, Daniel G. Kaye, Phyllis M. Lockett, Deborah J. Lucas, Ronald A. Pankau, Alex J. Pollock, Terry L. Savage, William R. Shepard, Howard J. Siegel, Dennis A. Suskind and Robert J. Tierney Jr..
- 1.4 As at 29 September 2019, Capital World Investors is the largest shareholder of CME Group Inc holding 35,582,665 Class A Shares or approximately 9.93% of all shares outstanding in each Class A common stock of CME Group Inc.