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# BOARD OF DIRECTORS' FIT AND PROPER POLICY

(Approved by Board on 30 March 2022)

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## 1. OBJECTIVE AND SCOPE

This Fit and Proper Policy ("Policy") is designed to:-

- Establish a set of formal and transparent fit and proper criteria for appointment and reappointment of Directors to the Board of Directors ("Board") of A-Rank Berhad and its subsidiaries ("Group").
- To guide the Board and the Nomination Committee ("NC") in the assessment and evaluation of:
  - (a) any candidate to be appointed as a new Director to the Board; and
  - (b) any existing Director who is seeking for re-appointment.

### 2. FIT AND PROPER CRITERIA

The following are the fit and proper criteria of a Director:-

#### 2.1 Character and integrity

#### (i) Probity

- The Director is compliant with legal obligations, regulatory requirements and professional standards.
- The Director has not been obstructive, misleading or untruthful in dealings with regulatory bodies or a court.

#### (ii) Personal integrity

- The Director has not perpetrated or participated in any business practices which are deceitful, oppressive, improper (whether unlawful or not), or which otherwise reflect discredit on his or her professional conduct.
- The past service contract(s) of the Director in the capacity of management or Director had not been terminated due to concerns on personal integrity.
- The Director has not abused other positions (i.e:- political appointment) to facilitate government relations for the Group in a manner that contravenes the principles of good governance.

#### (iii) Financial integrity

- The Director manages personal debts or financial affairs satisfactorily.
- The Director demonstrates ability to fulfill personal obligations as and when they fall due.

#### (iv) Reputation

- The Director is of good repute in the financial and business community.
- The Director has not been the subject of civil or criminal proceedings or enforcement action, in managing or governing an entity for the past 10 years.
- The Director has not been substantially involved in the management of a business or company which has failed, where that failure has been occasioned in part by deficiencies in that management.

## 2. FIT AND PROPER CRITERIA (Continued)

#### 2.2 Experience and competence

#### (i) Qualifications, training and skills

- The Director possesses education qualification that is relevant to the skill set that the Director is earmarked to bring to bear onto the Boardroom (i.e:- a match to the Board skill set matrix).
- The Director has a considerable understanding on the workings of a corporation.
- The Director possesses general management skills as well as understanding of corporate governance and sustainability issues.
- The Director keeps knowledge current based on continuous professional development.
- The Director possesses leadership capabilities and a high level of emotional intelligence.

#### (ii) Relevant experience and expertise

 The Director possesses relevant experience and expertise with due consideration given to past length of service, nature and size of business, responsibilities held, number of subordinates as well as reporting lines and delegated authorities.

#### 2.3 Time and commitment

## (i) Ability to discharge role having regard to other commitments

• The Director is able to devote time as a Board member, having factored other outside obligations including concurrent Board positions held by the Director across public listed companies and non-listed companies (including non-profit organisations).

#### (ii) Participation and contribution in the Board or track record

- The Director demonstrates willingness to participate actively in Board activities.
- The Director demonstrates willingness to devote time and effort to understand the businesses and exemplifies readiness to participate in events outside the Boardroom.
- The Director manifests passion in the vocation of a Director.
- The Director exhibits ability to articulate views independently, objectivity and constructively
- The Director exhibits open mindedness to the views of others and ability to make considered judgment after hearing the views of others.

### 2.4 Independence (applicable to appointment and re-appointment of Independent Director)

The Director meets the criteria of an Independent Director as specified in Item 1.1 of Practice Note 13 of Main Market Listing Requirements of Bursa Securities Malaysia Berhad.

## 3. ASSESSMENT AND EVALUATION

## 3.1 Appointment of new Director

- (i) The candidate is required to provide personal details together with education background, work experience, directorships in other public listed companies, the potential conflict of interest with the Group, and additional relevant information.
- (ii) The candidate is required to complete the Directors' Evaluation Form (Appendix 1).
- (iii) For the appointment of Independent Director, the candidate is also required to complete the Independent Directors' Self-Assessment Form (Appendix II).
- (iv) The NC will, based on Items 3.1(i), 3.1(ii) and 3.1(iii) above, assess and evaluate individually and collectively whether the candidate fulfills the fit and proper criteria as stated in Item 2 of this Policy.
- (v) If the assessment and evaluation result is satisfactory, the NC will recommend the candidate's appointment as a new Director of the Group to the Board for deliberation and approval.

#### 3.2 Re-appointment of Director

- (i) A Director seeking for re-appointment is required to complete the Directors' Evaluation Form (Appendix I).
- (ii) For re-appointment of Independent Director, the Director is also required to complete the Independent Directors' Self-Assessment Form (Appendix II).
- (iii) The NC will, based on Items 3.2(i) and 3.2(ii) above, assess and evaluate individually and collectively whether the Director fulfills the fit and proper criteria as stated in Item 2 of this Policy.
- (iv) If the assessment and evaluation result is satisfactory, the NC will recommend the re-appointment of the Director to the Board for deliberation and approval.

### 4. REVIEW AND APPROVAL

The NC will review this Policy and recommend it to the Board for approval as and when necessary. The terms of this Policy shall be updated whenever there are changes to the Malaysian Code on Corporate Governance, Listing Requirements of Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad, and any other relevant regulatory requirements.

This Policy was approved by the Board of Directors on 30 March 2022.



Comment:

# A-RANK BERHAD Appendix I: Directors' Evaluation Form

The Evaluation Form provides ratings from one (1) to four (4), or 'yes' and 'no', with the indicators illustrated below, to be responded in relation to the nature of the questions:

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	Yes, always	Yes, most of the time	Yes, but seldom	No
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	Above average	Average	Below average	Poor
	_		or	
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	Yes			No
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	Comment:			
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	Comment:			
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	Comment.						
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	decision-making proces	s in an obje	ctive manner				
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8	Defends own stand the where necessary	rough const	ructive delib	erations at	board and/o	or committe	e meetings,
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13	Reviews and relates sho						
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	Comment:						



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17	Prioritises context of issu	ues to be in	line with ob	jectives			
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28	Communica	ates effective	ely with sha	reholders						
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29	Constructive	ely challenge	es and cont	ributes to the	developme	nt of strate	ЭУ			
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31	Satisfies hir	mself/herself	that financ	ial information	n is accurat	e and finan	cial contr	ols a	and syst	tems
	of risk mana	agement are	robust and	defensible						
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Nam	ne:									
Desi	gnation:									



# A-RANK BERHAD Appendix II: Independent Directors' Self-Assessment Checklist

The following section is to be completed by **INDEPENDENT DIRECTORS** only. This checklist requires responses of 'Yes' and 'No'. Comments to address certain unique issues/ situations may be added below the responses.

The	responses relevant to this checklist are illustrated as follows:  Yes  No  No
Post	pond by ticking the suitable option for each statement.
1769	bond by ticking the suitable option for each statement.
1	The director is not an executive director of the listed issuer or any related corporation of the listed issuer (hereinafter, each corporation shall be referred to as "the said corporation").
	Yes No
	Comment:
2	The director has not been within the last 2 years and is not an officer <sup>1</sup> (except as a non-executive director) of the said corporation.
	Yes □ No □
	Comment:
3	The director is not a major shareholder <sup>2</sup> of the said corporation
	Yes □ No □
	Comment:
4	The director is not a family member <sup>3</sup> of any executive director, officer or major shareholder of the said corporation.
	Yes □ No □
	Comment:
5	The director is not acting as a nominee or representative of any executive director or major shareholder of the said corporation.
	Yes □ No □
	Comment:
6	The director has not been engaged as an adviser by the said corporation under such circumstances as prescribed by the Exchange or is not presently a partner, director (except as an independent director) or a major shareholder, as the case may be, of a firm or corporation which provides professional advisory services to the said corporation under such circumstances as prescribed by the Exchange.
	Yes □ No □
	Comment:
7	The director has not engaged in any transaction (including transaction of assets and services, joint ventures, financial assistance, etc.) with the said corporation under such circumstances as prescribed by the Exchange or is not presently a partner, director or a major shareholder, as the case may be, of a firm or corporation (other than subsidiaries of the listed issuer) which has been engaged in any transaction with the said corporation under such circumstances as prescribed by the Exchange.
	Yes □ No □
	Comment:



Yes 🔲

Comment:

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8	The director has no immediate family member who is an executive officer (i.e. any executive director, officer or major shareholder) of the said corporation. "Immediate family member" is defined as a spouse, parents, children, siblings, mothers and fathers-in-law, sons and daughters-in-law, brothers and sisters-in-law, de-facto partner and anyone else (except for employees) who shares the director's home. Individuals who are no longer immediate family members as a result of legal separation, divorce or death, are not taken into consideration with respect to the determination of a director's independence.
	Yes No No
	Comment:
9	The director has no immediate family member meeting any of the criteria set forth in (3)-(8) above; except with respect to item (6) in which case an immediate family member may be an employee (not a partner) of the independent auditor so long as such family member does not personally work on the said corporation's audit.
	Yes No No
	Comment:
10	The director has no other material relationship (as determined by the said corporation) with the said corporation, either directly or as a partner, shareholder, director or officer of an organisation that has a material relationship with the said corporation.
	Yes □ No □
	Comment:
11	The director's tenure as independent director has exceeded 9 years.
	Yes No Comment:
	Confinent.
12	The director is a person who is accustomed or under an obligation, whether formal or informal, to act in accordance with the directions, instructions or wishes of a director, officer or major shareholder of the company or any of its related corporations.
	Yes □ No □
	Comment:
13	The director is a director of a body corporate which is accustomed or under an obligation, whether formal or informal, to act in accordance with the directions, instructions or wishes of the director, officer or major shareholder of the company or any of its related corporations.
	Yes □ No □
	Comment:
14	The director is a person in accordance with whose directions, instructions or wishes a director, officer, or major shareholder of the company or any of its related corporations is accustomed or is under an obligation, whether formal or informal, to act.
	Yes No No
	Comment:
15	The director is a director of a body corporate in accordance with which directions, instructions or wishes a director, officer, or major shareholder of the company or any of its related corporations is accustomed or is under an obligation, whether formal or informal, to act.

No 🗆



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The director has received performance-based remuneration or share-based incentives from the

	company, its subsidiaries, holding company or any related corporations.			
		No		
	Comment:			
17	The director is a director, officer, major shareholder, beneficiary, or a family regresons, of a not-for-profit entity (including charitable organisation) that recontributions from the company or any of its related corporations.  Yes  Comment:			
18	The director does not hold a cross-directorship or have any significant links wit through involvement in other companies or body corporate which cross-directorship or have any significant links with through involvement in other companies or body corporate which cross-directorship or have any significant links with through involvement in other companies or body corporate which cross-directorship or have any significant links with through involvement in other companies or body corporate which cross-directorship or have any significant links with through involvement in other companies or body corporate which cross-directorship or have any significant links with through involvement in other companies or body corporate which cross-directorship or have any significant links with through involvement in other companies or body corporate which cross-directorship or have any significant links with the cross-directorship or have any significant links with the cross-directorship or have a significant links with the cross-directorship			
	would materially hamper the director's independent judgement or ability to interests of the company.	act i	n the I	best
		No		
	Comment:			
19	The director is not a person who performs a policy-making function.			
		No		
	Comment:			
20	The director is not a person who has the ability to exert considerable influence on company's financial standings.	the		
		No		
	Comment:			
21	The director is not an administrator or liquidator of the company.			
		No		
	Comment:			
22	The director is not a trustee or other person administering an arrangement macompany and an external party.	ide b	etween	the
	Yes	No		
	Comment:			
Eval	uation carried out by:			
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#### <u>Footnotes</u>

- officer: means the chief executive, the chief operating officer, the chief financial controller or any other person primarily responsible for the operations or financial management of the Company, its subsidiaries, holding company or any related corporation.
- 2 major shareholder: means a person who has an interest or interests in one or more voting shares in the Company and the nominal amount of that share, or the aggregate of the nominal amounts of those shares, is:
  - a) 10% or more of the aggregate of the nominal amounts of all the voting shares in the Company; or
  - 5% or more of the aggregate of the nominal amounts of all the voting shares in the Company where such person is the largest shareholder of the Company
- 3 family member: means his spouse, parent, child, including adopted child and stepchild, brother, sister and the spouse of his child, brother or sister.