CIMB FTSE ASEAN 40 MALAYSIA

UNAUDITED QUARTERLY REPORT

FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD FROM 1 JANUARY 2017 TO 31 MARCH 2017

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DIRECTORY

INVESTORS' LETTER

Dear Valued Investors,

Happy New Year!

Thank you for your continued support and for the confidence that you have placed in us. We are pleased to share that CIMB-Principal Asset Management Berhad ("CIMB-Principal") Malaysia concluded the year with RM48 billion in Asset Under Management ("AUM") and the CIMB-Principal's Group AUM has increased by 7.6% to RM67.6 billion, for 1-year period ending 31 December 2016. Our AUM for Private Retirement Scheme ("PRS") business has increased by 27% year-on-year ("y-o-y") to RM343 million as at 31 December 2016.

We continue to achieve prestigious recognitions from The Edge | Thomson Reuters Lipper Fund Awards:

The Edge| Thomson Reuters Lipper Malaysia Fund Awards 2017

- Best Equity Global, 3 years & 5 years : CIMB-Principal Global Titans Fund
- Best Equity Asia Pacific Ex-Japan, 5 years : CIMB-Principal Asian Equity Fund
- Best Equity Asia Pacific Ex-Japan Malaysia Islamic, 5 years: CIMB Islamic Asia Pacific Equity Fund

Thomson Reuters Lipper Fund Award Global Islamic 2016

Best Equity Asia Pacific Ex-Japan (Islamic), 3 years: CIMB Islamic Asia Pacific Equity Fund

These awards reflect our consistent fund performance, in tandem with our commitment to provide the best customer experience to you.

CIMB-Principal was recently awarded **Fund House of the Year in Malaysia** by AsianInvestor for its Asset Management Awards 2017, its second consecutive win. This industry recognition reflects our success in scaling up its investment capabilities while building up a solid track record and earning the trust of our clients over time.

As part of our on-going effort to further expand the payment options offered, CIMB-Principal has introduced the Virtual Account facility effective 7 December 2016. Please contact your servicing CWA Consultant or our Customer Care Centre at 03-77183000 to find out more.

Thank you once again and we wish you a happy and prosperous new year ahead.

Yours faithfully,

for CIMB-Principal Asset Management Berhad

Munirah Khairuddin

Chief Executive Officer/Executive Director

MANAGER'S REPORT

FUND OBJECTIVE AND POLICY

What is the investment objective of the Fund?

The Fund aims to provide investment results that, before expenses, closely correspond to the performance of the Financial Times Stock Exchange ("FTSE")/ Association of Southeast Asian Nations ("ASEAN") 40 Index (the "Underlying Index"), regardless of its performance.

Has the Fund achieved its objective?

For the financial period under review, the Fund recorded a total return of 6.84% (7.46% before expenses) in line with the performance of the CIMB FTSE ASEAN 40 (the "Singapore Fund" or "Underlying Fund") of 7.49%.

What are the Fund investment policy and its strategy?

The Fund is a feeder Exchange-Traded Fund ("ETF") listed on the main market of Bursa Malaysia Securities Bhd which aims to invest at least 95% of its Net Asset Value ("NAV") in the CIMB FTSE ASEAN 40 (the "Singapore Fund"). The Singapore Fund is an ETF listed on the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited ("SGX-ST") which aims at providing the Singapore Fund Unit holders a return that closely corresponds to the performance of the Underlying Index. Therefore, the Manager adopts a passive strategy in the management of the Fund.

Fund category/ type

Feeder ETF/Equity/Index Tracking

How long should you invest for?

Recommended three (3) to five (5) years

Indication of short-term risk (low, moderate, high)

High

When was the Fund launched?

9 July 2010*

What was the size of the Fund as at 31 March 2017?

RM2.57 million (1.35 million units)

What is the Fund's benchmark?

The benchmark index, namely the FTSE/ASEAN 40 Index is designed to represent the performance of the ASEAN region by measuring the eligible securities listed on the stock exchanges of Indonesia, Malaysia, the Philippines, Singapore and Thailand which consists of the 40 largest companies by full market value listed on the stock exchange of Indonesia, Malaysia, the Philippines, Singapore and Thailand that qualify for inclusion in the FTSE/ASEAN Index or such replacement index as may be determined by the Singapore Fund Manager and/or the Manager.

What is the Fund distribution policy?

Annually, subject to the discretion of the Manager.

What was the net income distribution for the financial period from 1 January 2017 to 31 March 2017?

There was no distribution made for the financial period from 1 January 2017 to 31 March 2017.

^{*} Listing date

PERFORMANCE DATA

Details of portfolio composition of the Fund for the last three unaudited financial periods are as follows:

	31.03.2017	31.03.2016	31.03.2015
	%	%	%
Collective investment scheme	100.00	98.87	100.00
Cash and other net assets		1.13	
	100.00	100.00	100.00

Performance details of the Fund for the last three unaudited financial periods are as follows:

	31.03.2017	31.03.2016	31.03.2015
Total asset value (RM Million)	2.59	2.25	2.55
NAV (RM Million)	2.57	2.23	2.53
Units in circulation (Million)	1.35	1.35	1.35
NAV per Unit (RM)	1.9011	1.6503	1.8748
	01.01.2017	01.01.2016	01.01.2015
	to	to	to
	31.03.2017	31.03.2016	31.03.2015
Highest NAV per Unit (RM)	1.9055	1.7124	1.8748
Lowest NAV per Unit (RM)	1.7738	1.5563	1.7633
Market Price per Unit (RM)	1.9100	1.6503	1.8800
Highest Market Price per Unit (RM)	1.9100	1.7000	1.8900
Lowest Market Price per Unit (RM)	1.7900	1.5550	1.7700
Total return (%) ^	6.84	(1.84)	4.07
- Capital growth (%)	6.84	(1.84)	4.07
- Income distribution (%)	-	-	-
Management Expense Ratio ("MER") (%) *	0.58	0.85	0.52
Portfolio Turnover Ratio ("PTR") (times) #	-	-	-

[^] based on NAV per unit

[#] There was no transaction made for the financial period from 1 January 2017 to 31 March 2017.

	31.03.2017	31.03.2016	31.03.2015	31.03.2014	31.03.2013
	%	%	%	%	%
Annual total return	19.77	(8.80)	15.15	(2.45)	11.60

(Listing date: 9 July 2010)

Past performance is not necessarily indicative of future performance and that unit prices and investment returns may go down, as well as up. All performance figures for the financial period ended have been extracted from Lipper.

^{*} The Fund's MER decreased from 0.85% to 0.58% due to the increase in average NAV during the financial period review.

MARKET REVIEW (1 JANUARY 2017 TO 31 MARCH 2017)

ASEAN equities rebounded strongly from the fourth quarter of 2016 to post strong positive returns of 7.61% in the first quarter of the new year, spurred on by the broader "Trump bump" rally seen in global stockmarkets. Indonesian, Thailand and the Philippines stocks all gained although the Philippines was the regional underperformer as concerns lingered over the weakness of its currency and the erratic policymaking of President Duterte.

In January 2017, the FTSE ASEAN 40 Index rebounded by 3% led by the strong "January effect" in most markets and the Trump Effect. Outperformers were Singapore (7.3%), the Philippines (5.5%), Thailand (4.9%), whilst Malaysia (1.84%) and Indonesia (-2.51%) underperformed. Post the seasonal "January effect", ASEAN markets began to focus on the upcoming fourth quarter of 2016's results season.

The FTSE ASEAN 40 Index rose by 1.43% in February 2017. Outperformers were Indonesia (2.14%), Singapore (2.07%), Thailand (1.18%), whilst Malaysia (0.17%) and the Philippines (-1.3%) were underperformed. Indonesia continued to underperform on a year-to-date ("YTD") basis as investors worried about "political noise". Investors viewed this as an opportunity as commodity prices remained more stable and consumption was expected to recover.

The FTSE ASEAN 40 Index rallied further for a third consecutive month, rising 2.79% in March 2017. Outperformers were Indonesia (5.6%) and Malaysia (3.5%), whilst Thailand (2.6%), Singapore (1.5%) and the Philippines (1.3%) underperformed. Indonesia and Malaysia remain under-owned with potential earnings upgrade surprise. We view this as an opportunity as funds flow back to Asia.

FUND PERFORMANCE

	3 months	6 months	1 year	3 years	5 years	Since inception
	to	to	to	to	to	to
	31.03.2017	31.03.2017	31.03.2017	31.03.2017	31.03.2017	31.03.2017
	%	%	%	%	%	%
Income	-	-	3.60	10.10	16.23	16.23
Capital ^	6.84	9.83	15.20	13.44	17.00	37.09
Total Return ^	6.84	9.83	19.77	25.78	36.93	60.44
Average Total Return ^	N/A	N/A	19.77	7.95	6.49	7.28
Underlying Fund^\ Benchmark (Underlying	7.49	10.84	17.49	19.91	22.61	45.07
Index)	7.61	11.03	20.13	22.28	30.47	53.18
Changes in Market Price per Unit	7.30	9.14	15.41	12.35	23.23	31.27

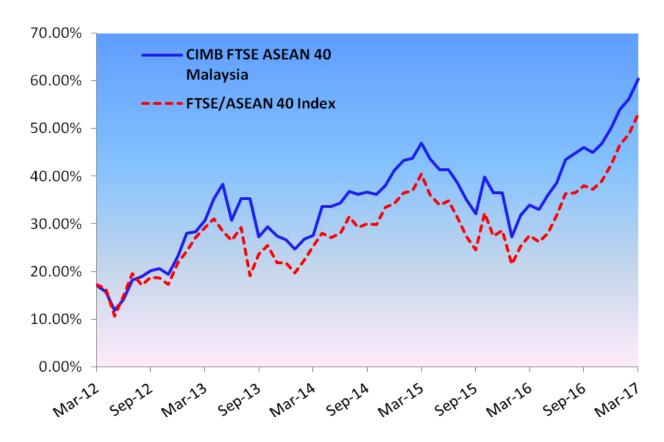
[^] Based on NAV per Unit

For the financial period under review, the Fund's total return was 6.84%, while the Singapore Fund's total return was 7.49%. Meanwhile, the Underlying Index total return was 7.61%.

The last available published market price of the Fund quoted on Bursa Malaysia was RM1.9100. This represents a positive change of 7.30% for the same reporting period.

[^] Based on Last Published Market Price

FUND PERFORMANCE (CONTINUED)



Changes in NAV

	31.03.2017	31.03.2016	Changes
			%
NAV (RM Million)	2.57	2.23	15.25
NAV/Unit (RM)	1.9011	1.6503	15.20

For the 1-year period, total NAV gained by 15.25%, while the NAV per unit gained by 15.20%. The gains in the total NAV and NAV per unit were due to investment performance of the combined ASEAN markets over the 1-year period.

Performance data represents the combined income and capital return as a result of holding units in the Fund for the specified length of time, based on NAV to NAV price. The performance data assumes that all earnings from the Fund are reinvested and are net of management and trustee fees. Past performance is not reflective of future performance and income distributions are not guaranteed. Unit prices and income distributions, if any, may fall and rise. All performance figures for the financial period have been extracted from Lipper.

PORTFOLIO STRUCTURE

Asset allocation

(% of NAV)	31.03.2017	31.03.2016
Collective investment scheme	100.00	98.87
Cash and other net assets	0.00	1.13
TOTAL	100.00	100.00

The Fund remained fully invested in the Singapore Fund for the financial period under review. A minimal level of liquid assets was maintained primarily for liquidity purposes.

MARKET OUTLOOK*

We are bullish on ASEAN equities. We expect ASEAN equity markets to benefit from the synchronized global economic recovery, which should have enough momentum to persist for the remainder of 2017. Consequently, stock prices in ASEAN would see support from further earnings upgrade. We see opportunities within Malaysia where we think earnings revisions would turn positive after the fourth quarter of 2016. Malaysia continues to attract lots of inflows as foreigners remain very underweight and the Malaysian Ringgit ("MYR") remains cheap relative to history. We believe the Indonesian market has improving fundamentals and is under-owned. Indonesia remains a market which has started to rerate on expectations of a rating upgrade by Standard & Poor's ("S&P") Global Ratings and increasingly a more stable political front. Our favoured sectors remain early cyclical stocks such as Financials, Industrials and Consumer Discretionary in selective markets like Thailand, Indonesia and Malaysia.

*This market outlook does not constitute an offer, invitation, commitment, advice or recommendation to make a purchase of any investment. The information given in this article represents the views of CIMB-Principal or based on data obtained from sources believed to be reliable by CIMB-Principal. Whilst every care has been taken in preparing this, CIMB-Principal makes no guarantee, representation or warranty and is under no circumstances liable for any loss or damage caused by reliance on, any opinion, advice or statement made in this market outlook.

INVESTMENT STRATEGY

As this is a feeder ETF, the Fund will continue to remain fully invested in the Underlying Fund with minimal cash kept for liquidity purposes.

UNIT HOLDINGS STATISTICS

Breakdown of unit holdings by size as at 31 March 2017 are as follows:

Size of unit holdings (units)	No. of unit holders	No. of units held (million)	% of units held
Less than 100	5	0.00	0.00
100 to 1,000	23	0.01	0.74
1,001 to 10,000	50	0.17	12.59
10,001 to 100,000	15	0.39	28.89
100,001 to less than 5% of approved fund size	2	0.78	57.78
5% and above the approved fund			
size	-	-	-
Total	95	1.35	100.00

SOFT COMMISSIONS AND REBATES

CIMB-Principal Asset Management Berhad (the "Manager") and the Trustee (including their officers) will not retain any form of rebate or soft commission from, or otherwise share in any commission with, any broker in consideration for directing dealings in the investments of the Funds unless the soft commission received is retained in the form of goods and services such as financial wire services and stock quotations system incidental to investment management of the Funds. All dealings with brokers are executed on best available terms.

During the financial period under review, the Manager and the Trustee did not receive any rebates from the brokers or dealers but have retained soft commission in the form of goods and services such as financial wire services and stock quotations system incidental to investment management of the Funds.

UNAUDITED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD FROM 1 JANUARY 2017 TO 31 MARCH 2017

Note	01.01.2017 to 31.03.2017 RM	01.01.2016 to 31.03.2016 RM
7	180,109	(19,836)
	(1,031)	(3,304)
-	179,078	(23,140)
5	2,959	2,984
	6,608	6,966
	1,134	1,144
_	3,722	7,660
-	14,423	18,754
	164,655	(41,894)
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-	164,655	(41,894)
	(15,454)	(22,058)
_	180,109	(19,836)
=	164,655	(41,894)
	5	To 31.03.2017 Note 7 180,109 (1,031) 179,078 5 2,959 6,608 1,134 3,722 14,423 164,655 6 164,655 (15,454) 180,109

UNAUDITED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (CONTINUED) FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD FROM 1 JULY 2016 TO 31 MARCH 2017

	Note	Year-to-date 31.03.2017 RM	Year-to-date 31.03.2016 RM
INVESTMENT INCOME/(LOSS)	11010		
Net gain/(loss) on financial assets at fair value			
through profit or loss	7	383,537	(89,559)
Net foreign exchange gain		2,644	8,409
		386,181	(81,150)
EXPENSES			
Trustee's fee	5	9,009	9,021
Audit fee		20,118	19,542
Tax agent's fee		3,452	3,458
Other expenses	_	4,658	8,891
	_	37,237	40,912
PROFIT/(LOSS) BEFORE TAXATION		348,944	(122,062)
Taxation	6 _	<u>-</u>	
PROFIT/(LOSS) AFTER TAXATION AND TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME/(LOSS) FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD		348,944	(122,062)
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Profit/(Loss) after taxation is made up as follows:			
Realised amount		(34,593)	(32,503)
Unrealised amount	_	383,537	(89,559)
	_	348,944	(122,062)

UNAUDITED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 31 MARCH 2017

		31.03.2017	30.06.2016 Audited
	Note	RM	RM
ASSETS Cash and cash equivalents Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss TOTAL ASSETS	8 7	5,157 2,587,505 2,592,662	47,542 2,203,968 2,251,510
LIABILITIES Amount due to Trustee Other payables and accruals TOTAL LIABILITIES	9	1,054 25,121 26,175	1,018 32,949 33,967
NET ASSET VALUE OF THE FUND		2,566,487	2,217,543
EQUITY Unit holders' capital Retained earnings NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNIT HOLDERS		1,312,065 1,254,422 2,566,487	1,312,065 905,478 2,217,543
NUMBER OF UNITS IN CIRCULATION (UNITS)	10	1,350,000	1,350,000
NET ASSET VALUE PER UNIT (RM)		1.9011	1.6426

UNAUDITED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD FROM 1 JANUARY 2017 TO 31 MARCH 2017

	Unit holders' capital RM	Retained earnings RM	Total RM
Balance as at 1 January 2017 Total comprehensive income	1,312,065	1,089,767	2,401,832
for the financial period	<u> </u>	164,655	164,655
Balance as at 31 March 2017	1,312,065	1,254,422	2,566,487
Balance as at 1 January 2016 Total comprehensive loss	1,312,065	957,712	2,269,777
for the financial period	-	(41,894)	(41,894)
Balance as at 31 March 2016	1,312,065	915,818	2,227,883

FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD FROM 1 JULY 2016 TO 31 MARCH 2017

	Unit holders' capital RM	Retained earnings RM	Total RM
Balance as at 1 July 2016 Total comprehensive income	1,312,065	905,478	2,217,543
for the financial period		348,944	348,944
Balance as at 31 March 2017	1,312,065	1,254,422	2,566,487
Balance as at 1 July 2015 Total comprehensive loss	1,312,065	1,037,880	2,349,945
for the financial period		(122,062)	(122,062)
Balance as at 31 March 2016	1,312,065	915,818	2,227,883

UNAUDITED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD FROM 1 JANUARY 2017 TO 31 MARCH 2017

	01.01.2017 to 31.03.2017	01.01.2016 to 31.03.2016
	31.03.2017 RM	31.03.2010 RM
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Trustee's fee paid	(2,959)	(2,984)
Tax agent's fee paid	(4,600)	(4,600)
Payments for other fees and expenses	(30,522)	(33,410)
Net realised foreign exchange loss	(1,031)	(3,304)
Net cash used in operating activities	(39,112)	(44,298)
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the	(39,112)	(44,298)
financial period	44,269	94,220
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the financial		
period	5,157	49,922

FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD FROM 1 JULY 2016 TO 31 MARCH 2017

	Year-to-date 31.03.2017	Year-to-date 31.03.2016
	RM	RM
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Trustee's fee paid	(8,973)	(8,991)
Tax agent's fee paid	(4,600)	(4,600)
Payments for other fees and expenses	(31,456)	(34,641)
Net realised foreign exchange gain	2,644	8,409
Net cash used in operating activities	(42,385)	(39,823)
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the	(42,385)	(39,823)
financial period	47,542	89,745
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the financial		
period	5,157	49,922

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD FROM 1 JANUARY 2017 TO 31 MARCH 2017

1. THE FUND, THE MANAGER AND ITS PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY

CIMB FTSE ASEAN 40 Malaysia (the "Fund") was constituted pursuant to the execution of a Deed dated 19 April 2010 (the "Deed"), made between CIMB-Principal Asset Management Berhad (the "Manager") and Deutsche Trustees Malaysia Berhad (the "Trustee").

The principal activity of the Fund is to invest at least 95% of its NAV in the Singapore Fund. The Singapore Fund is an ETF listed on the SGX-ST which aims at providing the Singapore Fund Unit holders a return that closely corresponds to the performance of the Underlying Index. Therefore, the Manager adopts a passive strategy in the management of the Fund.

All investments are subjected to the Securities Commission Malaysia ("SC") Guidelines on ETFs, SC requirements, the Deed, except where exemptions or variations have been approved by the SC, internal policies and procedures and the Fund's objective.

The Manager, a company incorporated in Malaysia, is a subsidiary of CIMB Group Sdn Bhd and regards CIMB Group Holdings Berhad as its ultimate holding company. The Manager is also an associate of Principal International (Asia) Limited, which is a subsidiary of Principal Financial Group Inc. The principal activities of the Manager are the establishment and management of unit trust funds and fund management activities.

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The following accounting policies have been used consistently in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to the financial statements:

(a) Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions of the Malaysian Financial Reporting Standards ("MFRS") and International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS").

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, as modified by financial assets at fair value through profit or loss.

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with MFRS and IFRS requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reported period.

It also requires the Manager to exercise their judgment in the process of applying the Fund's accounting policies. Although these estimates and judgment are based on the Manager's best knowledge of current events and actions, actual results may differ.

(a) Basis of preparation (continued)

The areas involving a higher degree of judgment or complexity, or areas where assumptions and estimates are significant to the financial statements are disclosed in Note 2(j).

Standards, amendments to published standards and interpretations to existing standards that are effective:

The Fund has applied the following amendments for the first time for the financial year beginning 1 July 2016:

 Annual Improvements to MFRS 101 "Presentation of Financial Statements -Disclosure Initiative" provide clarifications on a number of issues, including:

Materiality – an entity should not aggregate or disaggregate information in a manner that obscures useful information. Where items are material, sufficient information must be provided to explain the impact on the financial position or performance.

Disaggregation and subtotals – line items specified in MFRS 101 may need to be disaggregated where this is relevant to an understanding of the entity's financial position or performance. There is also new guidance on the use of subtotals.

Notes - confirmation that the notes do not need to be presented in a particular order.

Other comprehensive income ("OCI") arising from investments accounted for under the equity method – the share of OCI arising from equity-accounted investments is grouped based on whether the items will or will not subsequently be reclassified to profit or loss.

Each group should then be presented as a single line item in the statement of other comprehensive income.

According to the transitional provisions, the disclosures in MFRS 108 regarding the adoption of new standards/accounting policies are not required for these amendments.

Annual Improvements to MFRS 2012 – 2014 Cycle

The adoption of these amendments did not have any impact on the current financial period or any prior period and is not likely to affect future periods

(a) Basis of preparation (continued)

(i) Financial period beginning on/after 1 July 2017

 Amendments to MFRS 107 "Statement of Cash Flows – Disclosure Initiative" (effective from 1 January 2017) introduce an additional disclosure on changes in liabilities arising from financing activities.

The Fund will apply this standard when effective. This standard is not expected to have a significant impact on the Fund's financial statements.

(ii) Financial period beginning on/after 1 July 2018

MFRS 15 'Revenue from Contracts with Customers' (effective from 1 January 2018) replaces MFRS 118 'Revenue' and MFRS 111 'Construction contracts' and related interpretations. The core principle in MFRS 15 is that an entity recognises revenue to depict the transfer of promised goods or services to the customer in an amount that reflects the consideration to which the entity expects to be entitled in exchange for those goods or services.

Revenue is recognised when a customer obtains control of goods or services, i.e. when the customer has the ability to direct the use of and obtain the benefits from the goods or services.

A new five-step process is applied before revenue can be recognised:

- Identify contracts with customers;
- Identify the separate performance obligations;
- Determine the transaction price of the contract;
- Allocate the transaction price to each of the separate performance obligations; and
- Recognise the revenue as each performance obligation is satisfied.

Key provisions of the new standard are as follows:

- Any bundled goods or services that are distinct must be separately recognised, and any discounts or rebates on the contract price must generally be allocated to the separate elements.
- If the consideration varies (such as for incentives, rebates, performance fees, royalties, success of an outcome etc), minimum amounts of revenue must be recognised if they are not at significant risk of reversal.
- The point at which revenue is able to be recognised may shift: some revenue which is currently recognised at a point in time at the end of a contract may have to be recognised over the contract term and vice versa.
- There are new specific rules on licenses, warranties, nonrefundable upfront fees, and consignment arrangements, to name a few.
- As with any new standard, there are also increased disclosures.

(a) Basis of preparation (continued)

(ii) Financial period beginning on/after 1 July 2018 (continued)

 MFRS 9 "Financial Instruments" (effective from 1 January 2018) will replace MFRS 139 "Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement".

MFRS 9 retains but simplifies the mixed measurement model in MFRS 139 and establishes three primary measurement categories for financial assets: amortised cost, fair value through profit or loss and fair value through OCI. The basis of classification depends on the entity's business model and the contractual cash flow characteristics of the financial asset. Investments in equity instruments are always measured at fair value through profit or loss with an irrevocable option at inception to present changes in fair value in OCI (provided the instrument is not held for trading). A debt instrument is measured at amortised cost only if the entity is holding it to collect contractual cash flows and the cash flows represent principal and interest.

For liabilities, the standard retains most of the MFRS 139 requirements. These include amortised cost accounting for most financial liabilities, with bifurcation of embedded derivatives. The main change is that, in cases where the fair value option is taken for financial liabilities, the part of a fair value change due to an entity's own credit risk is recorded in OCI rather than the income statement, unless this creates an accounting mismatch.

MFRS 9 introduces an expected credit loss model on impairment that replaces the incurred loss impairment model used in MFRS 139. The expected credit loss model is forward-looking and eliminates the need for a trigger event to have occurred before credit losses are recognised.

The Fund will apply this standard when effective. This standard is not expected to have a significant impact on the Fund's financial statements.

(b) Financial assets and financial liabilities

Classification

The Fund designates its investments in collective investment scheme as financial assets at fair value through profit or loss at inception.

Financial assets are designated at fair value through profit or loss when they are managed and their performance evaluated on a fair value basis.

Loans and receivables are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market and have been included in current assets. The Fund's loans and receivables comprise cash and cash equivalents.

Financial liabilities are classified according to the substance of the contractual arrangements entered into and the definitions of a financial liability.

The Fund classifies amount due to Trustee, and other payables and accruals as other financial liabilities.

(b) Financial assets and financial liabilities (continued)

Recognition and measurement

Regular purchases and sales of financial assets are recognised on the trade-date, the date on which the Fund commits to purchase or sell the asset. Investments are initially recognised at fair value.

Financial liabilities, within the scope of MFRS 139, are recognised in the statement of financial position when, and only when, the Fund becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the financial instrument.

Financial assets are derecognised when the rights to receive cash flows from the investments have expired or have been transferred and the Fund has transferred substantially all risks and rewards of ownership.

Financial liabilities are derecognised when it is extinguished, i.e. when the obligation specified in the contract is discharged or cancelled or expired.

Unrealised gains or losses arising from changes in the fair value of the financial assets at fair value through profit or loss are presented in the statement of comprehensive income within net gain or loss on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss in the financial period which they arise.

Collective investment scheme is valued based on the most recent published NAV per unit or share of such collective investment scheme or, if unavailable, on the last published price of such unit or share (excluding any sales charge included in such selling price).

Loans and receivables and other financial liabilities are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Impairment for assets carried at amortised costs

For assets carried at amortised cost, the Fund assesses at the end of the reporting period whether there is objective evidence that a financial asset or group of financial assets is impaired. A financial asset or a group of financial assets is 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 financial asset or group of financial assets that can be reliably estimated.

The amount of the loss is measured as the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the present value of estimated future cash flows (excluding future credit losses that have not been incurred) discounted at the financial asset's original effective interest rate. The asset's carrying amount is reduced and the amount of the loss is recognised in statement of comprehensive income. If 'loans and receivables' has a variable interest rate, the discount rate for measuring any impairment loss is the current effective interest rate determined under the contract.

As a practical expedient, the Fund may measure impairment on the basis of an instrument's fair value using an observable market price.

(b) Financial assets and financial liabilities (continued)

Impairment for assets carried at amortised costs (continued)

If, in a subsequent financial 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 statement of comprehensive income.

When an asset is uncollectible, it is written off against the related allowance account. Such assets are written off after all the necessary procedures have been completed and the amount of the loss has been determined.

(c) Foreign currency

Functional and presentation currency

Items included in the financial statements of the Fund are measured using the currency of the primary economic environment in which the Fund operates (the "functional currency"). The financial statements are presented in Ringgit Malaysia ("RM"), which is the Fund's functional and presentation currency.

Transactions and balances

Foreign currency transactions are translated into the functional currency using the exchange rates prevailing at the dates of the transactions or valuation where items are remeasured. Foreign exchange gains and losses resulting from the settlement of such transactions and from the translation at period-end exchange rates of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are recognised in statement of comprehensive income, except when deferred in OCI as qualifying cash flow hedges.

(d) Income recognition

Realised gain or loss on disposal of collective investment scheme is accounted for as the difference between the net disposal proceeds and the carrying amount of investments, determined on a weighted average cost basis.

(e) Cash and cash equivalents

For the purpose of statement of cash flows, cash and cash equivalents comprise bank balances which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value.

(f) Taxation

Current tax expense is determined according to Malaysian tax laws at the current rate based upon the taxable profit earned during the financial period.

(g) Unit holders' capital

The unit holders' contributions to the Fund meet the criteria to be classified as equity instruments under MFRS 132 "Financial Instruments: Presentation". Those criteria include:

- the units entitle the holder to a proportionate share of the Fund's NAV;
- the units are the most subordinated class and class features are identical;
- there is no contractual obligations to deliver cash or another financial asset other than the obligation on the Fund to repurchase; and
- the total expected cash flows from the units over its life are based substantially on the profit or loss of the Fund.

The outstanding units are carried at the redemption amount that is payable at each financial period if unit holder exercises the right to put the unit back to the Fund.

Units are created and cancelled at prices based on the Fund's NAV per unit at the time of creation or cancellation. The Fund's NAV per unit is calculated by dividing the net assets attributable to unit holders with the total number of outstanding units.

(h) Segment information

Operating segments are reported in a manner consistent with the internal reporting used by the chief operating decision-maker. The chief operating decision-maker is responsible for allocating resources and assessing performance of the operating segments.

(i) Realised and unrealised portions of net income after tax

The analysis of realised and unrealised net income after tax as presented on the statement of comprehensive income is prepared in accordance with SC Guidelines on ETFs.

(j) Critical accounting estimates and judgments in applying accounting policies

The Fund makes estimates and assumptions concerning the future. The resulting accounting estimates will, by definition, rarely equal the related actual results. To enhance the information content of the estimates, certain key variables that are anticipated to have material impact to the Fund's results and financial position are tested for sensitivity to changes in the underlying parameters.

Estimates and judgment are continually evaluated by the Manager and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

In undertaking any of the Fund's investment, the Manager will ensure that all assets of the Fund under management will be valued appropriately, that is at fair value and in compliance with the SC Guidelines on ETFs.

However, the Manager is of the opinion that there are no accounting policies which require significant judgement to be exercised.

3. RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES

The investment objective of the Fund is to provide investment results that, before expenses, closely correspond to the performance of the FTSE/ASEAN 40 Index, regardless of its performance.

The Fund is exposed to a variety of risks which include market risk (inclusive of price risk and currency risk), credit risk and liquidity risk.

Financial risk management is carried out through internal control process adopted by the Manager and adherence to the investment restrictions as stipulated in the Deed and SC Guidelines on ETFs.

(a) Market risk

(i) Price risk

Price risk is the risk that the fair value of an investment in collective investment scheme will fluctuate because of changes in market prices (other than those arising from currency risk). The value of collective investment scheme may fluctuate according to the activities of individual companies, sector and overall political and economic conditions. Such fluctuation may cause the Fund's NAV and prices of units to fall as well as rise, and income produced by the Fund may also fluctuate.

The very nature of an ETF, however, helps mitigate this risk because a fund would generally hold a well-diversified portfolio of securities from different market sectors so that the collapse of any one security or any one market sector would not impact too greatly on the value of the Fund.

(ii) Currency risk

Currency risk is associated with investments that are quoted and/or priced in foreign currency denomination. Foreign currency risk is the risk that the value of financial instruments will fluctuate due to changes in foreign exchange rates. The Manager will evaluate the likely directions of a foreign currency versus RM based on considerations of economic fundamentals such as interest rate differentials, balance of payments position, debt levels, and technical chart considerations.

(b) Credit risk

Credit risk refers to the risk that a counterparty will default on its contractual obligation resulting in financial loss to the Fund.

The credit risk arising from cash and cash equivalents is managed by ensuring that the Fund will only place deposits in reputable licensed financial institutions. The settlement terms of the proceeds from the creation of units receivable from the Manager are governed by the SC Guidelines on ETFs.

3. RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (CONTINUED)

(c) Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Fund will encounter difficulty in meeting its financial obligations.

The Manager manages this risk by maintaining sufficient level of liquid assets to meet anticipated payments and cancellations of the units by unit holders. Liquid assets comprise bank balances. Generally, all investments are subject to a certain degree of liquidity risk depending on the nature of the investment instruments, market, sector and other factors. This is expected to reduce the risks for the entire portfolio without limiting the Fund's growth potentials.

(d) Fair value estimation

Fair value is defined as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date (i.e. an exit price).

The fair value of financial assets traded in active markets (such as trading securities) are based on quoted market prices at the close of trading on the financial period end date. The Fund utilises the last traded market price for financial assets where the last traded price falls within the bid-ask spread. In circumstances where the last traded price is not within the bid-ask spread, the Manager will determine the point within the bid-ask spread that is most representative of the fair value.

An active market is a market in which transactions for the asset or liability take place with sufficient frequency and volume to provide pricing information on an ongoing basis.

The fair value of financial assets that are not traded in an active market is determined by using valuation techniques.

(i) Fair value hierarchy

The table in the following page analyses financial instruments carried at fair value. The different levels have been defined as follows:

- Quoted prices (unadjusted) in active market for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1)
- Inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly (that is, as prices) or indirectly (that is, derived from prices) (Level 2)
- Inputs for the asset and liability that are not based on observable market data (that is, unobservable inputs) (Level 3)

3. RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (CONTINUED)

(d) Fair value estimation (continued)

(i) Fair value hierarchy (continued)

The level in the fair value hierarchy within which the fair value measurement is categorised in its entirety is determined on the basis of the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement in its entirety. For this purpose, the significance of an input is assessed against the fair value measurement in its entirety.

If a fair value measurement uses observable inputs that require significant adjustment based on unobservable inputs, that measurement is a Level 3 measurement.

Assessing the significance of a particular input to the fair value measurement in its entirety requires judgment, considering factors specific to the asset or liability.

The determination of what constitutes 'observable' requires significant judgment by the Fund. The Fund considers observable data to be that market data that is readily available, regularly distributed or updated, reliable and verifiable, not proprietary, and provided by independent sources that are actively involved in the relevant market.

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
31.03.2017	RM	RM	RM	RM
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss: - Collective investment				
scheme	2,587,505	<u>-</u>		2,587,505

30.06.2016

Audited

Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss:

- Collective investment scheme

2,203,968 - 2,203,968

Investments whose values are based on quoted market prices in active markets, and are therefore classified within Level 1, include collective investment scheme. The Fund does not adjust the quoted prices for these instruments. The Fund's policies on valuation of these financial assets are stated in Note 2(b).

(ii) The carrying values of cash and cash equivalents and all current liabilities are a reasonable approximation of their fair values due to their short term nature.

4. MANAGEMENT FEE

In accordance with the Deed, there is no management fee charged at the Fund level.

5. TRUSTEE'S FEE

In accordance with the Deed, the Trustee is entitled to a fee not exceeding a maximum of 0.20% per annum, calculated daily based on the NAV of the Fund, subject to a minimum fee of RM18,000 per annum, excluding foreign sub-custodian fees and charges.

For the financial period ended 31 March 2017, the Trustee's fee is recognised at a rate of 0.08% per annum (31.03.2016: 0.08% per annum).

There will be no further liability in respect of Trustee's fee other than amounts recognised above.

6. TAXATION

	01.01.2017	01.01.2016
	to 31.03.2017	to 31.03.2016
	RM	RM
Tax charged for the financial period:		
- Current taxation		

A numerical reconciliation between the profit/(loss) before taxation multiplied by the Malaysian statutory income tax rate and tax expense of the Fund is as follows:

	01.01.2017 to 31.03.2017 RM	01.01.2016 to 31.03.2016 RM
Profit/(Loss) before taxation	164,655	(41,894)
Taxation at Malaysian statutory rate of 24% (31.03.2016: 24%) Tax effects of: (Investment income not subject to tax)/Investment loss	39,517	(10,055)
not deductible for tax purposes	(42,979)	5,554
Expenses not deductible for tax purposes	2,035	1,443
Restriction on tax deductible expenses for ETFs	1,427	3,058
Taxation		_
	Year-to-date 31.03.2017 RM	Year-to-date 31.03.2016 RM
Tax charged for the financial period: - Current taxation		

6. TAXATION (CONTINUED)

A numerical reconciliation between the profit/(loss) before taxation multiplied by the Malaysian statutory income tax rate and tax expense of the Fund is as follows:

	Year-to-date 31.03.2017 RM	Year-to-date 31.03.2016 RM
Profit/(Loss) before taxation	348,944	(122,062)
Taxation at Malaysian statutory rate of 24% (31.03.2016: 24%) Tax effects of:	83,746	(29,295)
 (Investment income not subject to tax)/Investment loss not deductible for tax purposes Expenses not deductible for tax purposes Restriction on tax deductible expenses for ETFs 	(92,683) 4,562	19,476 4,690
Taxation	4,375 -	<u>5,129</u> -
7. FINANCIAL ASSETS AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH PROFI	T OR LOSS	
	31.03.2017	30.06.2016 Audited
	RM	RM
Designated at fair value through profit or loss at inception: - Collective investment scheme	2,587,505	2,203,968
	01.01.2017 to 31.03.2017 RM	01.01.2016 to 31.03.2016 RM
Net gain/(loss) on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss:		
- Unrealised fair value gain/(loss)	180,109	(19,836)
	Year-to-date 31.03.2017 RM	Year-to-date 31.03.2016 RM
Net gain/(loss) on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss:	1 2194	
- Unrealised fair value gain/(loss)	383,537	(89,559)

7. FINANCIAL ASSETS AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH PROFIT OR LOSS (CONTINUED)

Name of counter	Quantity Units	Aggregate cost RM	Market value RM	Percentage of NAV %
31.03.2017 COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT SCHEME				
SINGAPORE CIMB FTSE ASEAN 40	64,600	1,962,860	2,587,505	100. 00
TOTAL COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT SCHEME	64,600	1,962,860 _	2,587,505	100.00
ACCUMULATED UNREALISED GAIN ON FINANCIAL ASSETS AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH PROFIT OR LOSS	_	624,645		
TOTAL FINANCIAL ASSETS AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH PROFIT OR LOSS	-	2,587,505		
30.06.2016 Audited COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT SCHEME				
SINGAPORE CIMB FTSE ASEAN 40	64,600	1,962,860	2,203,968	99.39
TOTAL COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT SCHEME	64,600	1,962,860 _	2,203,968	99.39
ACCUMULATED UNREALISED GAIN ON FINANCIAL ASSETS AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH PROFIT OR LOSS	-	241,108		
TOTAL FINANCIAL ASSETS AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH PROFIT OR LOSS	_	2,203,968		

8. CASH AND CASH	I EQUIVALENTS
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		31.03.2017	30.06.2016
		RM	Audited RM
	Bank balances	5,157	47,542
9.	OTHER PAYABLES AND ACCRUALS		
		31.03.2017	30.06.2016 Audited
		RM	RM
	Provision for audit fee	20,117	26,800
	Provision for tax agent's fee	3,453	4,600
	Other accruals	1,551	1,549
		25,121	32,949
10.	NUMBER OF UNITS IN CIRCULATION (UNITS)		
		01.01.2017 to 31.03.2017	01.07.2015 to 30.06.2016 Audited
		No of units	No of units
	At the beginning/end of the financial period/year	1,350,000	1,350,000
11.	MANAGEMENT EXPENSE RATIO ("MER")		
		01.01.2017 to 31.03.2017 %	01.01.2016 to 31.03.2016 %
	MER	0.58	0.85

MER is derived from the following calculation:

 $\begin{array}{rcl} \text{MER} &=& & \underbrace{(A+B+C+D) \times 100}_{E} \\ \text{A} &=& & \text{Trustee's fee} \\ \text{B} &=& & \text{Audit fee} \\ \text{C} &=& & \text{Tax agent's fee} \\ \text{D} &=& & \text{Other expenses} \\ \text{E} &=& & \text{Average NAV of the Fund calculated on a daily basis} \\ \end{array}$

The average NAV of the Fund for the financial period calculated on a daily basis is RM2,492,478 (31.03.2016: RM2,196,826).

12. PORTFOLIO TURNOVER RATIO ("PTR")

01.01.2017 to 31.03.2017 01.01.2016 to 31.03.2016

PTR (times)

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PTR is derived from the following calculation:

(Total acquisition for the financial period + total disposal for the financial period) ÷ 2 Average NAV of the Fund for the financial period calculated on a daily basis

where:

total acquisition for the financial period = Nil (31.03.2016: RM Nil) total disposal for the financial period = Nil (31.03.2016: RM Nil)

13. UNITS HELD BY THE MANAGER AND PARTIES RELATED TO THE MANAGER, AND SIGNIFICANT RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS AND BALANCES

The related parties and their relationship with the Fund are as follows:

Related parties Relationship

CIMB-Principal Asset Management Bhd The Manager

CIMB-Principal Asset Management (S) Pte. Ltd. Investment Adviser of the Fund

CIMB Group Sdn Bhd Holding company of the Manager

CIMB Group Holdings Bhd ("CIMB")

Ultimate holding company of the Manager

CIMB FTSE ASEAN 40 Underlying Fund

Subsidiaries and associates of CIMB as disclosed in its financial statements

Subsidiary and associated companies of the ultimate holding company of the

Manager

Units held by the Manager and parties related to the Manager

There were no units held by the Manager, Directors and parties related to the Manager as at the end of the financial period.

Significant related party transactions

There were no other significant related party transactions during each of the financial period.

Significant related party balances

31.03.2017 30.06.2016 Audited RM RM

Investment in collective investment scheme:

- CIMB FTSE ASEAN 40 2,587,505 2,203,968

14. SEGMENT INFORMATION

The internal reporting provided to the chief operating decision-maker for the Fund's assets, liabilities and performance is prepared on a consistent basis with the measurement and recognition principles of MFRS and IFRS. The chief operating decision-maker is responsible for the performance of the Fund and considers the business to have a single operating segment located in Malaysia. Asset allocation decisions are based on a single, integrated investment strategy and the Fund's performance is evaluated on an overall basis.

The investment objective of the Fund is to provide investment results that, before expenses, closely correspond to the performance of the FTSE/ASEAN 40 Index, regardless of its performance. The reportable operating segment derives its income by seeking investments to achieve targeted returns consummate with an acceptable level of risk within the portfolio. These returns consist of gains on the appreciation in the value of investments, which is derived from an ETF listed on the SGX-ST, Singapore.

There were no changes in reportable operating segment during the financial period.

15. SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION DISCLOSED PURSUANT TO BURSA MALAYSIA SECURITIES BERHAD'S LISTING REQUIREMENTS

The following analysis of realised and unrealised retained earnings at the legal entity level is prepared in accordance with Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad's Listing Requirements and the Guidance on Special Matter No.1, "Determination of Realised and Unrealised Profits or Losses in the Context of Disclosure Pursuant to Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad Listing Requirements", as issued by the Malaysian Institute of Accountants whilst the disclosure is based on the prescribed format by Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad.

	31.03.2017	30.06.2016 Audited
	RM	RM
Total accumulated retained earnings of the Fund:		
- Realised	456,876	345,751
- Unrealised	797,546	559,727
	1,254,422	905,478

The analysis between realised and unrealised retained earnings above is prepared on a different basis as compared to the analysis of realised and unrealised retained earnings as disclosed in the statement of comprehensive income.

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