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**WELCOME REMARKS BY DATO' TAJUDDIN ATAN
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, BURSA MALAYSIA BERHAD
WEDNESDAY, 30 MAY 2012**

Assalamualaikum warahmatullahi wabarakatuh.

Yang Amat Berbahagia Tun Mohamed Dzaidin Haji Abdullah, Chairman, Bursa Malaysia

Yang Berbahagia Datuk Ranjit Ajit Singh, Chairman, Securities Commission,
Esteemed board members of Bursa Malaysia,

Senior Management from our co-sponsor Maybank and MIDA, our strategic partner,

Your Excellencies,

Honoured guests, members of the media, ladies and gentlemen

It is my honour to welcome you to the second day of ***Invest Malaysia 2012***. Good morning.

With one day under our belt and several major announcements from the Prime Minister, Yang Amat Berhormat Dato' Seri Najib Tun Abdul Razak being digested, we are now ready to resume the hard work of growing our capital market and realising the outcomes envisioned by our Prime Minister.

In taking his visionary lead, Bursa Malaysia, in concert with the key agencies and industry leaders, the drivers of our capital market, will embark on the critical initiatives that were announced to meet the goal of positioning Malaysia as a key driver of ASEAN growth.

We welcome the announcements made by the Prime Minister yesterday aimed at ensuring the competitiveness of our capital market in order to drive the nation's economic growth agenda. The establishment of a new foundation to address gaps in the growth of our capital market, paying particular attention to nurturing the

development of small and medium-scale enterprises, new and existing talent and marketplace innovation, is indeed timely.

In addition, tax deductions for companies participating in the Skim Latihan 1Malaysia programme and for the promotion of gender diversity through the re-employment of women after a career break, are incentives that will further encourage the development of a highly-skilled workforce.

We welcome, too, the Prime Minister's announcement yesterday that a taskforce will be set up to recommend and identify clear implementation programmes to streamline regulatory and market management processes as well as to consolidate the existing compensation funds, currently estimated at more than RM420 million.

Ladies and gentlemen,

There is indeed much to do and we are forging ahead, full throttle.

Today's line-up will see the continuation of our corporate presentations, one-on-one fund management meetings and insightful plenaries where discussions will be centered on Malaysia's role in ASEAN and the opportunities for Malaysia to be a leader in renewable energy in ASEAN, not just from our own perspective but importantly, we will also gain non-biased opinions from external experts on the subject. I invite you to take this opportunity to engage in dialogue with panel experts to gain further understanding on how to capitalise on our opportunities and grow with our companies and our country.

To reinforce Malaysia's leading role in the global Islamic capital market space, we will see the confluence of some of the global thought leaders in the industry gathered to debate and discourse at the Islamic Capital Market Roundtable. I am very hopeful that we can all look forward to a fruitful outcome along the lines of an action plan to drive the development of the Malaysian Islamic capital market

On that note, I wish you all a very productive Day Two of Invest Malaysia 2012, and look forward to engaging with you again at the Bursa Malaysia corporate presentation this afternoon.

Thank you.