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Axiata Announces Khazanah Deputy Managing Director as New Board Member

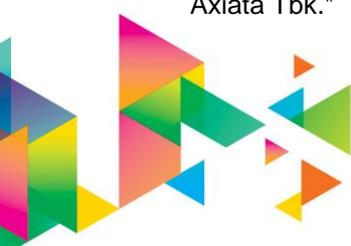
Kuala Lumpur, 12 January 2018 – Axiata Group Berhad (Axiata) announced the appointment of Deputy Managing Director of Khazanah National Berhad (Khazanah), YM Tengku Dato' Sri Azmil Zahrudin bin Raja Abdul Aziz, (aged 47), Malaysian, as the newest addition to its Board. He replaces Kenneth Shen, who has served on the Board of Axiata as Khazanah nominee since 2011. With the appointment, Tengku Dato' Sri Azmil will represent the strategic investment fund as Non-Independent Non-Executive Director (NINED) of Axiata effective 12 January 2018.

Joining Khazanah in 2011 as Executive Director of Investments, Tengku Dato' Sri Azmil managed Khazanah's investments in a number of areas, including Innovation and Technology as well as oversight for its offices in San Francisco and Khazanah Koridor Utara in Penang.

Prior to joining Khazanah, Tengku Dato' Sri Azmil was the Managing Director / Chief Executive Officer of Malaysia Airlines, having had served as the airline's Executive Director / Chief Financial Officer in August 2005. He had also functioned as a Non-Executive Board Director since August 2004. Formerly the Chief Financial Officer and then Managing Director / Chief Executive Officer of Penerbangan Malaysia Berhad, Tengku Dato' Sri Azmil was also with PricewaterhouseCoopers in their London and Hong Kong offices where he worked in the Audit and Business Advisory Services division, specialising in financial services.

Tengku Dato' Sri Azmil holds a first class degree in Economics from the University of Cambridge. He is a Chartered Accountant and an associate member of the Malaysian Institute of Accountants and the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales. He is also an Associate of the Association of Corporate Treasurers, United Kingdom.

Commenting on the appointment and change, Axiata's Chairman, Tan Sri Datuk Wira Azman Hj. Mokhtar said, "We are pleased to welcome Tengku Dato' Sri Azmil as the newest member of the Board. His deep experience across various industries, in particular in technology and innovation, will bring new and relevant perspectives to the Board. At the same time, the Board would like to thank Kenneth for his many invaluable contributions to the Axiata Board over the last six years and we are also very pleased that Kenneth will remain in the Axiata Group as a board member of edotco Group Sdn Bhd and PT XL Axiata Tbk."



Tan Sri Jamaludin Ibrahim, President & Group Chief Executive Officer of Axiata added, “As we undergo a period of transformation in the telecoms industry, we welcome Tengku Dato’ Sri Azmil who brings with him a breadth of knowledge from competitive industries that has seen similar revolutionary changes.

On behalf of the management of Axiata, I would like to express our gratitude to Kenneth who has been a dedicated long serving member of the Board and has been instrumental to the success of the Group. I have personally enjoyed working with him and I am pleased that he has agreed to remain on the Board of some of our operating companies.”

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About Axiata

As one of the largest Asian telecommunication companies, Axiata today operates in ten countries, servicing over 320 million subscribers. With a diverse portfolio in mobile network operations, communications infrastructure services and digital services, the Group pieces together the best in connectivity, technology and people in its vision of Advancing Asia.

Axiata has controlling stakes in market leading mobile operators in South East Asia and South Asia. Axiata Group of companies operate under the brand name of ‘Celcom’ in Malaysia, ‘XL’ in Indonesia, ‘Dialog’ in Sri Lanka, ‘Robi’ in Bangladesh, ‘Smart’ in Cambodia and ‘Ncell’ in Nepal. Further to this, the Group also holds strategic interests in ‘Idea’ in India and ‘M1’ in Singapore.

‘edotco’, the Group’s infrastructure company, operates in six countries to deliver telecommunications infrastructure services, amassing a portfolio of over 16,000 towers. It aims to be one of the top regional tower companies and is committed to responsible and sustainable business operations.

Axiata Digital (AD), its digital services arm, captures the rapid growth in internet-based businesses through its portfolio of 24 digital brands, servicing growing demands in mobile money, mobile advertising, e-commerce, entertainment and education.

As a committed and long-term investor, Axiata provides employment to 25,000 people within its operations. In line with its sustainability goals, the Group actively supports and drives young talent development; disaster response and recovery; as well as green initiatives.

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