PPB GROUP BERHAD (8167-W) INTERIM FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE SECOND QUARTER ENDED 30 JUNE 2017

(The figures have not been audited)

Condensed Consolidated Income Statements For The Period Ended 30 June 2017

	Individual 3 months 30 Ju	s ended	Cumulative 6 months 30 Ju	ended	
	2017	2016	2017	2016	
	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	
Revenue	1,055,504	1,056,591	2,088,767	2,179,205	
Operating expenses	(1,038,157)	(969,626)	(2,034,224)	(2,070,199)	
Other operating income	35,534	44,736	76,121	113,812	
Share of net profits less losses of associates	58,269	(155,508)	375,734	43,603	
Share of profit of joint venture	946	1,014	1,885	2,020	
Finance costs	(5,788)	(6,063)	(12,405)	(13,881)	
Profit/(Loss) before tax	106,308	(28,856)	495,878	254,560	
Tax expense	(14,712)	(30,030)	(36,675)	(54,550)	
Profit/(Loss) for the period	91,596	(58,886)	459,203	200,010	
Attributable to :					
Owners of the parent	89,290	(78,720)	447,556	167,520	
Non-controlling interests	2,306	19,834	11,647	32,490	
Profit/(Loss) for the period	91,596	(58,886)	459,203	200,010	
Basic earnings/(loss) per share (sen)	7.53	(6.64)	37.75	14.13	

(The Condensed Consolidated Income Statements should be read in conjunction with the annual financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2016, and the accompanying explanatory notes attached to this report.)

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Condensed Consolidated Statements Of Comprehensive Income For The Period Ended 30 June 2017

	Individual 3 months 30 Ju	s ended	Cumulative Quarter 6 months ended 30 June		
	2017 RM'000	2016 RM'000	2017 RM'000	2016 RM'000	
Profit/(Loss) for the period	91,596	(58,886)	459,203	200,010	
Other comprehensive income/(loss), net of tax					
Items that will be subsequently reclassified to profit or loss					
Exchange differences on translation of foreign operations	(514,368)	359,321	(747,365)	(1,090,232)	
Fair value of available-for-sale financial assets	25,116	(20,225)	155,033	(16,491)	
Share of associates' other comprehensive income	111,255	(147,127)	311,329	(83,976)	
Total comprehensive income/(loss)	(286,401)	133,083	178,200	(990,689)	
Attributable to:					
Owners of the parent	(280,885)	109,490	175,497	(1,007,693)	
Non-controlling interests	(5,516)	23,593	2,703	17,004	
Total comprehensive income/(loss)	(286,401)	133,083	178,200	(990,689)	

(The Condensed Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income should be read in conjunction with the annual financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2016, and the accompanying explanatory notes attached to this report.)

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PPB GROUP BERHAD (8167-W) **Condensed Consolidated Statements Of Financial Position**

	As at 30-Jun-17	As at 31-Dec-16
ASSETS	RM'000	RM'000
Non-current Assets		
Property, plant and equipment	1,347,813	1,353,204
Investment properties	195,499	194,455
Biological assets	3,303	3,364
Goodwill	73,704	73,704
Other intangible assets	3,188	3,233
Land held for property development	85,232	84,923
Investments in associates	17,444,777	17,662,449
Investment in joint venture	64,751	65,418
Other investments	595,013	440,356
Deferred tax assets	1,024	2,771
	19,814,304	19,883,877
Current Assets		
Inventories	665,677	620,464
Biological assets	20,360	19,417
Other intangible assets	12,530	14,850
Receivables	925,412	958,806
Derivative financial instruments	-	3,276
Cash, bank balances, deposits and short-term fund placements	1,239,045	1,178,261
	2,863,024	2,795,074
Assets classified as held for sale	10,384	23,759
	2,873,408	2,818,833
TOTAL ASSETS	22,687,712	22,702,710
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES		
Equity		
Share capital	1,192,215	1,185,500
Reserves	19,743,304	19,787,090
Equity attributable to owners of the parent	20,935,519	20,972,590
Non-controlling interests	679,527	695,143
Total equity	21,615,046	21,667,733

PPB GROUP BERHAD (8167-W) Condensed Consolidated Statements Of Financial Position (continued)

	As at 30-Jun-17 RM'000	As at 31-Dec-16 RM'000
Non-current Liabilities		
Long-term borrowings	56,569	72,918
Deferred tax liabilities	98,441	99,266
	155,010	172,184
Current Liabilities		
Payables	354,130	377,726
Derivative financial instruments	20,619	5,221
Short-term borrowings	527,938	455,086
Current tax liabilities	12,092	24,760
	914,779	862,793
Liabilities associated with assets classified as held for sale	2,877	
	917,656	862,793
Total liabilities	1,072,666	1,034,977
TOTAL EQUITY AND LIABILITIES	22,687,712	22,702,710
Net assets per share attributable to owners of the	18.44	15.50
parent (RM)	17.66	17.69

(The Condensed Consolidated Statements of Financial Position should be read in conjunction with the annual financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2016, and the accompanying explanatory notes attached to this report.)

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Condensed Consolidated Statement Of Changes In Equity For The Period Ended 30 June 2017

				Non-distrib	outable			Distributable			
				Exchange	Fair		·		Attributable to		
	Share	Share	Revaluation	translation	value	Hedge	Capital	Retained	owners of	Non-controlling	Total
	capital	premium	reserve	reserve	reserve	reserve	reserve	earnings	the parent	interests	equity
	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
6 months ended 30 June 2017											
At 1 January 2017	1,185,500	6,715	39,511	3,099,410	9,442	(51,000)	128,920	16,554,092	20,972,590	695,143	21,667,733
Total comprehensive income/(loss)	-	-	-	(551,327)	155,033	84,932	39,302	447,556	175,496	2,704	178,200
Transfer of reserves	-	-	(336)	-	-	-	4,909	(4,573)	-	-	-
Transfer pursuant to Companies Act 2016 (Note)	6,715	(6,715)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dividends	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(201,535)	(201,535)	(16,101)	(217,636)
Acquisition of shares in a subsidiary	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(2,219)	(2,219)
Changes in equity interest in an associate	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(11,032)	(11,032)	-	(11,032)
At 30 June 2017	1,192,215	-	39,175	2,548,083	164,475	33,932	173,131	16,784,508	20,935,519	679,527	21,615,046
6 months ended 30 June 2016			-								
At 1 January 2016	1,185,500	6,715	40,477	2,729,110	(3,729)	(11,516)	165,798	15,804,622	19,916,977	635,594	20,552,571
Total comprehensive income/(loss)	-	-	-	(1,141,671)	(16,491)	(25,660)	8,609	167,520	(1,007,693)	17,004	(990,689)
Transfer of reserves	-	-	(600)	-	-	-	5,571	(4,687)	284	(284)	-
Issue of shares to a non-controlling interest	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9,487	9,487
Disposal of shares in a subsidiary	-	-	-	-	_	-	-	-	-	(463)	(463)
Dividends	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(201,535)	(201,535)	(1,920)	(203,455)
At 30 June 2016	1,185,500	6,715	39,877	1,587,439	(20,220)	(37,176)	179,978	15,765,920	18,708,033	659,418	19,367,451
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Note:

Pursuant to Section 74 of the Companies Act 2016 ("Act"), the Company's shares no longer have a par or nominal value with effect from 31 January 2017. In accordance with the transitional provisions set out in Section 618 (2) of the Act, any amount standing to the credit of the share premium account becomes part of the Company's share capital. Companies have 24 months from the commencement of the Act to utilise the credit for purposes as set out in Section 618 (3) of the Act. During the current financial period, the Company has not utilised any of the credit in the share premium account which has now become part of the share capital. There is no impact on the number of ordinary shares in issue or the relative entitlement of any of the members as a result of this transition.

(The Condensed Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity should be read in conjunction with the annual financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2016, and the accompanying explanatory notes attached to this report.)

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Condensed Consolidated Statement Of Cash Flows For The Period Ended 30 June 2017

	6 months ended 30 June		
	2017	2016	
	RM'000	RM'000	
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Profit before tax	495,878	254,560	
Adjustments:	(20 5 52 5)	44.400	
Non-cash items	(286,536)	41,489	
Non-operating items	(14,467)	(11,084)	
Operating profit before working capital changes	194,875	284,965	
Working capital changes :-	(01,001)	249,200	
Net change in current assets	(91,001)	248,209	
Net change in current liabilities	(12,210)	(164,590)	
Cash generated from operations	91,664	368,584	
Tax paid	(51,749)	(31,687)	
Net cash generated from operating activities	39,915	336,897	
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Purchase of property, plant and equipment, investment properties,	(81,449)	(60,119)	
biological assets and other intangible assets			
Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment,	36,204	20,615	
and assets held for sale			
Dividends received	161,463	199,879	
Income from short-term fund placements	5,088	9,194	
Interest received	7,076	9,919	
Repayment from/(Advances to) associates	50,862	(5,587)	
Other investing activities	2,265	2,772	
Net cash generated from investing activities	181,509	176,673	
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
Bank borrowings	75,998	(234,471)	
Interest paid	(12,719)	(13,977)	
Dividends paid	(217,636)	(203,455)	
Shares issued to non-controlling interests of a subsidiary	-	9,487	
Net cash used in financing activities	(154,357)	(442,416)	
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	67,067	71,154	
Cash and cash equivalents brought forward	1,177,203	1,196,309	
Effect of exchange rate changes	(5,816)	(8,545)	
Cash and cash equivalents carried forward	1,238,454	1,258,918	
Cash and cash equivalents represented by:			
Cash and bank balances	235,599	305,138	
Bank deposits	353,919	378,038	
Short-term fund placements	649,527	576,124	
Bank overdrafts	(591)	(382)	
	1,238,454	1,258,918	

(The Condensed Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows should be read in conjunction with the annual financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2016, and the accompanying explanatory notes attached to this report.)

NOTES

A. Financial Reporting Standard (FRS) 134 - Paragraph 16

A1. Accounting policies

The interim financial statements of the Group have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of Financial Reporting Standard ("FRS") FRS 134 - Interim Financial Reporting and Chapter 9, Part K of the Main Market Listing Requirements of Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad ("BMSB").

The accounting policies and methods of computation used in the preparation of the interim financial statements are consistent with those used in the preparation of the audited financial statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2016 except for the adoption of the following Amendments to FRSs that are effective for financial periods beginning on or after 1 January 2017:

Amendments to FRS 107	Disclosure Initiative
Amendments to FRS 112	Recognition of Deferred Tax Assets for Unrealised Losses
Amendments to FRS 12	Annual Improvements to FRS Standards 2014 - 2016 Cycle

The adoption of the above Amendments to FRSs does not have any significant financial impact on the Group.

A2. Seasonality or cyclicality of interim operations

The Group's operations are not materially affected by any seasonal or cyclical factors.

A3. Unusual items affecting assets, liabilities, equity, net income or cash flow

There were no items of an unusual nature, size or incidence that affected the assets, liabilities, equity, net income and cash flows of the Group during the current financial period to-date under review.

A4. Nature and amount of changes in estimates

There were no changes in estimates of amounts reported in the previous financial year which have a material effect in the current interim period.

A5. Issuances, cancellations, repurchases, resale and repayments of debt and equity securities

There were no issuances or repayment of debt and equity securities, share buy-backs, share cancellations, shares held as treasury shares and resale of treasury shares for the current financial period to-date.

A6. Dividend paid

Dividend paid		
	Individual	Cumulative
	Quarter	Quarter
	3 months	6 months
	ended	ended
	30-Jun-17	30-Jun-17
	RM'000	RM'000
Dividend paid on ordinary shares		
FY2016: Final single tier dividend - 17 sen per share	201,535	201,535

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A7. Segmental reporting

Segmental information in respect of the Group's business segments for the period ended 30 June 2017 is as follows:

Business segments: All figures in RM'000 REVENUE External revenue Inter-segment sales Total revenue	Grains and agribusiness 1,375,078 79,993 1,455,071	Consumer products 346,670 989 347,659	Film exhibition and distribution 247,634	Environmental engineering and utilities 44,938 3 44,941	Property 19,681 1,331 21,012	Investments in equities 5,278 - 5,278	Other operations 49,488 17,401 66,889	Elimination - (99,717) (99,717)	Total 2,088,767 - 2,088,767
RESULTS Segment results Share of associates' profits less losses Share of joint venture's profit Interest income Income from short-term fund placements Finance costs Unallocated corporate expenses Profit before tax	56,393 30,281 -	18,484 (1,788)	36,148 5,003	2,561 779 1,885	4,224 1,870 -	5,278 - -	(2,601) 339,589	- - -	120,487 375,734 1,885 7,078 12,149 (12,405) (9,050) 495,878
ASSETS Segment assets Investments in associates Investment in joint venture Bank deposits and short-term fund placements Tax assets Other unallocated corporate assets Total assets	2,278,269 379,060 -	449,157 28,863 -	327,785 175,033	67,116 47,938 64,751	324,177 188,820 -	595,014 - -	111,213 16,625,063	(304)	4,152,427 17,444,777 64,751 1,003,446 10,814 11,497 22,687,712

A8. Material events subsequent to the end of the interim period

There were no material events subsequent to the end of the interim period that have not been reflected in the financial statements for the interim period.

A9. Changes in the composition of the Group

There were no changes in the composition of the Group arising from business combinations, acquisition or disposal of subsidiaries and long-term investments, restructurings, and discontinued operations for the current interim period under review, except for the following:

a) Cathay Theatres (Sarawak) Sdn Bhd, a dormant 100%-owned indirect subsidiary of PPB which commenced a members' voluntary winding up on 17 November 2015 has been dissolved on 6 June 2017, and has accordingly ceased to be a subsidiary of PPB.

A10. Changes in contingent liabilities or contingent assets

There were no changes in contingent assets and contingent liabilities since the end of the last annual reporting period.

A11. Capital commitments

A12.

Authorised capital commitments not provided for in the interim financial report as at 30 June 2017 were as follows:

	RM'000
Property, plant and equipment	
and investment properties	
- contracted	56,490
- not contracted	253,038
	309,528
Other capital commitments	
- contracted	166,460
	475,988
. Significant related party transactions	
Significant related party transactions during the period ended 30 June 2017 were as follows:	
	RM'000
Transactions with associates	
- Management fee income	313
- Film rental income	2 085

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- Film rental income	2,085
- Interest income	1,812
- Purchase of goods	16,352
Transactions with a subsidiary of the ultimate holding company	
- Sales of goods	6,188
Transactions with subsidiaries of associates	
- Purchase of goods	115,584
- Sales of goods	34,923

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- Rental income	1,804
- Security and other service fee expenses	999
- Marketing fee income	999
- Supervision fee income	850
- Charter hire of vessels	50,456

B. BMSB Listing Requirements (Part A of Appendix 9B)

B1. Analysis of performance for the financial period to-date

The Group reported total revenue of RM1.06 billion in 2Q2017, unchanged from 2Q2016. Lower revenue in *Environmental engineering and utilities* and *Property* segments offset the higher revenue achieved in other segments. For 2Q2017, the Group registered a pre-tax profit of RM106 million (2Q2016: RM29 million loss). The significant improved financial performance was attributable to positive contribution from a key associate, Wilmar International Limited ("Wilmar"), which recorded a net profit of USD60 million (2Q2016: USD220 million net loss).

For 1H2017, Group revenue was 4% lower at RM2.09 billion (1H2016: RM2.18 billion). Higher revenue from *Consumer products* segment was offset by lower revenue in other segments. Pre-tax profit for 1H2017 was at RM496 million, 95% higher than that achieved in 1H2016 of RM255 million, this was mainly attributable to a significant increase in contribution from Wilmar, which recorded a net profit of USD422 million (1H2016: USD19 million).

Group financial performance by business segment

	202017	202016	X7	
	2Q2017	2Q2016	Varia	nce
	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	%
Revenue				
Grains and agribusiness	731,191	700,984	30,207	4%
Consumer products	176,448	163,248	13,200	8%
Film exhibition and distribution	123,012	116,986	6,026	5%
Environmental engineering and	26,228	57,262	(31,034)	(54%)
utilities				
Property	10,374	20,207	(9,833)	(49%)
Investments and Other operations	39,110	37,463	1,647	4%
Elimination	(50,859)	(39,559)	(11,300)	
Total revenue	1,055,504	1,056,591	(1,087)	(0%)

	1H2017	7 1H2016	Variance	
	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	%
Revenue				
Grains and agribusiness	1,455,071	1,456,496	(1,425)	(0%)
Consumer products	347,659	314,203	33,456	11%
Film exhibition and distribution	247,634	261,823	(14,189)	(5%)
Environmental engineering and	44,941	116,755	(71,814)	(62%)
utilities				
Property	21,012	32,288	(11,276)	(35%)
Investments and Other operations	72,167	76,496	(4,329)	(6%)
Elimination	(99,717)	(78,856)	(20,861)	
Total revenue	2,088,767	2,179,205	(90,438)	(4%)

	2Q2017	2Q2016	Variance	
	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	%
Segment results				
Grains and agribusiness	19,780	78,910	(59,130)	(75%)
Consumer products	5,614	4,931	683	14%
Film exhibition and distribution	16,125	15,854	271	2%
Environmental engineering and	1,526	1,759	(233)	(13%)
utilities				
Property	1,660	10,186	(8,526)	(84%)
Investments and Other operations	2,693	14,497	(11,804)	(81%)
Total segment results	47,398	126,137	(78,739)	(62%)
Share of associates and joint	59,215	(154,494)	213,709	>100%
venture's profits less losses				
Interest income, finance costs,	(305)	(499)	194	39%
income from short-term fund				
placements and unallocated				
expenses				
Total profit before tax	106,308	(28,856)	135,164	>100%

	1H2017	1H2016	Varia	nce
Segment results	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	%
Grains and agribusiness	56,393	116,757	(60,364)	(52%)
Consumer products	18,484	7,556	10,928	>100%
Film exhibition and distribution	36,148	49,841	(13,693)	(27%)
Environmental engineering and	2,561	5,738	(3,177)	(55%)
utilities				
Property	4,224	15,444	(11,220)	(73%)
Investments and Other operations	2,677	17,600	(14,923)	(85%)
Total segment results	120,487	212,936	(92,449)	(43%)
Share of associates and joint	377,619	45,623	331,996	>100%
venture's profits less losses				
Interest income, finance costs,	(2,228)	(3,999)	1,771	44%
income from short-term fund				
placements and unallocated				
expenses				
Total profit before tax	495,878	254,560	241,318	95%

Grains and agribusiness

The *Grains and agribusiness* segment registered a 4% increase in revenue to RM731 million in 2Q2017 (2Q2016: RM701 million) on the back of an increase in sales volume and higher selling price of animal feed. Segment profit fell 75% to RM20 million (2Q2016: RM79 million) mainly due to lower profit margin as a result of higher wheat cost, exacerbated by the drop in sales volume and selling prices of the Indonesian flour mill.

Segment revenue for the first half of 2017 remained unchanged at RM1.46 billion as higher feed revenue was offset by lower revenue from flour. Segment profit was lower at RM56 million (1H2016: RM117 million), down 52% from a year ago, mainly due to higher raw material cost, lower sales volume and selling prices mainly registered by the Indonesian flour mill.

Consumer products

The Consumer products segment revenue rose by 8% to RM176 million in 2Q2017 (2Q2016: RM163 million) mainly driven by increase in sales volume and improved selling prices of edible oils as well as higher revenue from the bakery division. Segment profit was up by 14% to RM5.6 million (2Q2016: RM4.9 million), mainly attributable to higher revenue and lower advertising and promotional expenses of the bakery division. However, higher sales mix of lower margin products partly impacted the segment profit for the quarter.

For 1H2017, segment revenue increased by 11% to RM348 million (1H2016: RM314 million). Segment profit was at RM18 million for 1H2017 (1H2016: RM7.6 million), largely due to a gain of RM8 million from the sale of land and building and improved results of the bakery division.

Film exhibition and distribution

The Film exhibition and distribution segment revenue increased by 5% to RM123 million in 2Q2017 (2Q2016: RM117 million). This was supported by higher number of blockbuster movies released in 2Q2017. Segment profit was marginally higher by 2% at RM16.1 million in 2Q2017 (2Q2016: RM15.9 million), mainly due to a foreign exchange translation gain recorded in the current quarter against a translation loss on USD-denominated loans in 2Q2016.

For 1H2017, segment revenue was lower by 5% to RM248 million (1H2016: RM262 million) as revenue from the Chinese New Year and local movies released in 1H2017 was lower than the previous corresponding period. Profit for 1H2017 was accordingly lower at RM36 million (1H2016: RM50 million).

Environmental engineering and utilities

Revenue was lower by 54% to RM26 million for 2Q2017 (2Q2016: RM57 million), as a result of the completion of most of the environmental engineering works in 2016. Segment profit was lower by 13% to RM1.5 million in 2Q2017 (2Q2016: RM1.8 million), mitigated by cost control and improved profit margin.

For 1H2017, revenue was lower by 62% to RM45 million (1H2016: RM117 million), due to the completion of most of the environmental engineering projects in 2016, and the projects secured in 2017 have yet to contribute significantly. In line with that, segment profit decreased by 55% to RM2.6 million (1H2016: RM5.7 million).

Property

The *Property* segment revenue decreased by 49% to RM10 million in 2Q2017 (2Q2016: RM20 million) due mainly to the completion of the Taman Tanah Aman project in 2Q2016 and lower project management fee income during the quarter under review. In tandem with the lower revenue base, segment profit decreased by 84% to RM1.7 million in 2Q2017 (2Q2016: RM10.2 million).

For 1H2017, revenue was lower by 35% at RM21 million (1H2016: RM32 million), due mainly to the completion of the Taman Tanah Aman project in 2016, lower occupancy rate for investment properties as extension and refurbishment works are currently in progress, as well as lower project management fee income. Consequently, segment profit decreased by 73% to RM4.2 million (1H2016: RM15 million).

Investments and Other operations

The combined segment revenue increased by 4% in 2Q2017 to RM39 million (2Q2016 : RM37 million) and decreased by 6% in 1H2017 to RM72 million (1H2016 : RM76 million).

Segment profit was at RM2.7 million for both 2Q2017 and 1H2017 respectively, significantly lower than that achieved in 2Q2016 and 1H2016 of RM14.5 million and RM17.6 million respectively. The lower profit was mainly due to a one-off gain on disposal of factory land and building of RM7.3 million recorded in 2016 as well as lower sales of higher profit margin products and higher raw material costs at the chemical trading and manufacturing division.

Share of associates and joint venture's profits less losses

The Group's share of associates and joint venture profits was at RM59 million in 2Q2017 (2Q2016: RM154 million loss). Profit contribution from Wilmar, our main associate, amounted to RM44 million in 2Q2017 (2Q2016: RM170 million loss). The significant improvement was attributable to the turnaround of its Oilseeds and grains business segment from a one-off loss in 2Q2016 and gains from investment securities as a result of stronger equity markets.

On the back of the strong performance in the first quarter of 2017, profit contribution from Wilmar increased to RM339 million for 1H2017 (1H2016: RM11 million).

B2. Material changes in the quarterly results compared to the results of the preceding quarter

	2Q2017	1Q2017	Varia	nce
Segment results	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	%
Grains and agribusiness	19,780	36,613	(16,833)	(46%)
Consumer products	5,614	12,870	(7,256)	(56%)
Film exhibition and distribution	16,125	20,023	(3,898)	(19%)
Environmental engineering and	1,526	1,035	491	47%
utilities				
Property	1,660	2,564	(904)	(35%)
Investments and Other operations	2,693	(16)	2,709	>100%
Total segment results	47,398	73,089	(25,691)	(35%)
Share of associates and joint	59,215	318,404	(259,189)	(81%)
venture's profits less losses				
Interest income, finance costs,	(305)	(1,923)	1,618	84%
income from short-term fund				
placements and unallocated				
expenses				
Total profit before tax	106,308	389,570	(283,262)	(73%)

Group pre-tax profit was lower at RM106 million in 2Q2017 (1Q2017: RM390 million) due mainly to:

- lower profit contribution from Wilmar of RM44 million in the current quarter (1Q2017: RM296 million); and
- lower Grains and agribusiness segment profit mainly due to higher raw material costs for the flour mills operation.

B3. Prospects for the current financial year

The Malaysian economy is expected to grow by more than 4.8% for 2017, underpinned by domestic demand, in particular, private sector spending. Regionally, sustained export growth is also seen in Asian economies, supported by the recovery in global demand amidst sustained strength in the respective Asian domestic economies.

On the back of rising world prices for wheat, the outlook for the flour business is expected to be challenging. However, we are confident that stronger flour demand in the second half of the year would mitigate the margin erosion pressure. Amidst a competitive and changing industry landscape, the animal feed business is difficult although the division is expected to maintain its performance given a bullish broiler market. In summary, the *Grains and agribusiness* segment performance will be affected by the aforesaid factors. The *Consumer products* segment is expected to perform satisfactorily with strategic promotional activities and campaigns. The performance of the *Film exhibition and distribution* segment will be supported by the opening of new cinemas in Malaysia and Vietnam; and the line-up of blockbuster movies for the rest of the year. The *Environment engineering and utilities* segment continues to focus on timely completion of on-going projects and securing new projects to augment its order book. The *Property* segment will focus on launching a mixed development project in Taman Megah, Petaling Jaya in the fourth quarter of the year.

The Group's main business segments are expected to perform satisfactorily for the current financial year. However, the overall financial results of the Group would depend substantially on the business performance of Wilmar.

B4. Variance of actual profit from forecast profit

Not applicable.

B5. Profit before tax

Profit before tax is stated after crediting: Dividend income Fair value gain on derivatives Foreign exchange gain Interest income	Individual Quarter 3 months ended 30-Jun-17 RM'000 5,167 12,194 4,606 3,537	Cumulative Quarter 6 months ended 30-Jun-17 RM'000 5,278 20,851 10,056 7,078
Income from short-term fund placements Rental income	6,622 1,079	12,149 2,366
Gain on disposal of land and building		7,974
Profit before tax is stated after charging:		
Allowance for doubtful debts and receivables written off	(443)	(599)
Depreciation and amortisation	(30,923)	(72,186)
Fair value loss on derivatives	(17,663)	(17,864)
Foreign exchange loss	(10,296)	(16,309)
Inventories written down	(1,523)	(1,523)
Interest expense	(5,788)	(12,405)

B6. Tax expense

	Individual	Cumulative
	Quarter	Quarter
	3 months	6 months
	ended	ended
	30-Jun-17	30-Jun-17
Taxation comprises:	RM'000	RM'000
Malaysian taxation		
Current	18,279	34,368
Deferred	(5,919)	(2,608)
	12,360	31,760
Foreign taxation		
Current	1,177	2,487
Deferred	1,195	2,412
	14,732	36,659
Under/(Over) provision in prior year		
Current	(20)	32
Deferred	_	(16)
	14,712	36,675

The effective tax rate is higher than the average statutory rate for the period mainly due to deferred tax asset not recognised by subsidiaries and withholding tax on undistributabled profits of foreign associates. Deferred tax benefit will be recognised when the subsidiaries are able to estimate accurately the timing of its future profits.

B7. Status of corporate proposals

There were no corporate proposals announced but not completed as at 17 August 2017.

B8. Group borrowings

Total Group borrowings as at 30 June 2017 are as follows:

	Total	Secured	Unsecured
	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
Long-term bank borrowings			
Long-term bank loans (USD)	88,663	88,663	-
Long-term bank loans (VND)	9,540	9,540	-
Repayments due within the next 12 months	(41,634)	(41,634)	
	56,569	56,569	_
Short-term bank borrowings			
Bills payable	74,000	-	74,000
Bills payable (IDR)	44,028	-	44,028
Short-term loans	250	-	250
Short-term loans (USD)	181,438	-	181,438
Short-term loans (IDR)	112,727	-	112,727
Short-term loans (VND)	73,270	-	73,270
Current portion of long-term loans	41,634	41,634	-
	527,347	41,634	485,713
Bank overdrafts	591	<u>-</u>	591
	527,938	41,634	486,304

B9. Material litigation

There was no material litigation as at 17 August 2017.

B10. Dividends

The Board of Directors is pleased to declare an interim single tier dividend for the financial year ending 31 December 2017 of 8 sen per share (2016: Interim single tier dividend of 8 sen per share).

Notice is hereby given that the interim single tier dividend is payable on Thursday, 28 September 2017 to shareholders whose names appear in the Record of Depositors at the close of business on Monday, 11 September 2017.

A Depositor shall qualify for entitlement only in respect of:

- (i) Shares transferred into the depositor's securities account before 4.00 pm on Monday, 11 September 2017 in respect of ordinary transfers, and
- (ii) Shares bought on the Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad ("BMSB") on a cum entitlement basis according to the Rules of the BMSB.

Dividends paid/payable for financial year 2016 and up to the date of this report are as follows:

Dividends paid/payable for financial year 2016 and up to the date of this report are as follows:

Financial	Type		
year	(all single tier)	Amount per share	Date paid/payable
2016	Interim dividend	8 sen	28 September 2016
2016	Final dividend	17 sen	25 May 2017
2017	Interim dividend	8 sen	28 September 2017

B11. Earnings per share

The basic earnings per share has been calculated by dividing the Group's profit for the current financial period attributable to owners of the parent by 1,185,499,882 ordinary shares in issue during the period.

There is no diluted earnings per share for the current quarter or financial period to-date as there were no dilutive potential ordinary shares.

B12. Disclosure of audit report qualification and status of matters raised

There was no qualification in the audit report on the preceding annual financial statements.

B13. Realised and unrealised profits/losses

The retained profits of the Group are analysed as follows:

	As at 30-Jun-17 RM'000	As at 31-Dec-16 RM'000
Total retained profits/(accumulated losses) of the Company and its subsidiaries :		
- Realised	13,072,418	13,022,777
- Unrealised	(117,623)	(98,796)
	12,954,795	12,923,981
Total share of retained profits/(accumulated losses) from associates:		
- Realised	236,207	210,443
- Unrealised	(1,311)	(1,292)
- Wilmar International Limited ("Wilmar") *	5,912,184	5,734,364
Total share of retained profits from joint venture:		
- Realised	10,509	10,028
	19,112,384	18,877,524
Less : Consolidation adjustments	(2,327,876)	(2,323,432)
Total Group retained profits as per consolidated financial statements	16,784,508	16,554,092

^{*} Wilmar is not required to disclose the breakdown of realised and unrealised profits under the Singapore Financial Reporting Standards and the Singapore Companies Act, Cap 50. As the breakdown may be considered price-sensitive information, it would not be appropriate for Wilmar to selectively disclose such information to any particular shareholder.

Kuala Lumpur 24 August 2017 By Order of the Board
Mah Teck Keong
Company Secretary