

## PRESS RELEASE

## ASIA/PACIFIC GROUP REGIONAL PRE-MUTUAL EVALUATION TRAINING WORKSHOP

## 26 - 28 Jamadilawal 1439 corresponding to 12 - 14 February 2018

- Brunei Darussalam is hosting the Asia/Pacific Group Pre-Mutual Evaluation Training Workshop which started today, 26 Jamadilawal 1439H corresponding to 12 February 2018M until 28 Jamadilawal 1439H corresponding to 14 February 2018M, at the Rizqun International Hotel, Gadong.
- 2. This workshop is facilitated by representatives from the Asia/Pacific Group on Money Laundering (APG), and is aimed primarily for APG member countries who will undergo the Mutual Evaluation process for the period of 2018 2020. Participants for this workshop consist of government representatives from Brunei Darussalam, Chinese Taipei, Pakistan, Papua New Guinea, the Republic of the Philippines, Solomon Islands, Tonga, and Vietnam.
- 3. The APG is a regional anti-money laundering body consisting of 41 member countries within the Asia-Pacific region, with Brunei Darussalam becoming a member in 2002. All member countries are committed towards undergoing the Mutual Evaluation process, which is a mutual peer review system to determine the levels of compliance with the international antimoney laundering and combating the financing of terrorism standards.
- 4. Brunei Darussalam will undergo the third round of Mutual Evaluation in 2020. Preparations towards this rigorous assessment is spearheaded by the National Anti-Money Laundering and Combating the Financing of Terrorism Committee (NAMLC).

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