



## PRESS RELEASE

### DONATION CAMPAIGN MISUSING BDCB'S FORMER NAME AND LOGO

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1. Brunei Darussalam Central Bank (BDCB) has received information of a donation campaign allegedly for the Gaza (Palestine) Humanitarian Fund and purporting to be approved by Autoriti Monetari Brunei Darussalam (AMBD), i.e. the former name of BDCB.
2. BDCB would like to emphasise that any person who uses BDCB's name or logo without its written permission or uses a name, symbol, design or representation identical or resembles BDCB's name, symbol, design or representation with the intentions of deceiving or to cause confusion or to be likely to deceive or cause confusion, is committing an offence under Section 74A of the BDCB Order, 2010, which carries a penalty of a fine not exceeding BND20,000 or imprisonment for a term not exceeding seven years, or both. BDCB will not hesitate to take action against perpetrators.
3. If in doubt, members of the public are advised to contact BDCB for verification by calling the BDCB hotline at 8318388 or email [info@bdcg.gov.bn](mailto:info@bdcg.gov.bn).
4. We would also like to advise the public to stay alert and protect themselves from possible donation scams by verifying the legitimacy of the charities and its organisers with the relevant authorities. The public is also reminded to never send money or share personal or banking details with anyone they do not know or trust.
5. BDCB remains committed to the financial stability of Brunei Darussalam and to safeguarding Brunei Darussalam's financial system and the interests of financial consumers. BDCB will also continue to actively monitor any suspicious or unlicensed financial activities in Brunei Darussalam.

#### **Brunei Darussalam Central Bank**

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Brunei Darussalam Central Bank (BDCB) has four main objectives; to achieve and maintain domestic price stability; to ensure the stability of the financial system, in particular by formulating financial regulations and prudential standards; to assist in the establishment and functioning of efficient payment systems and to oversee them; and to foster and develop a sound and progressive financial services sector.