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**PRESTARIANG AND THALES**

**SIGN AN AGREEMENT FOR MALAYSIAN BORDER SECURITY**

**KUALA LUMPUR, 28 March 2017 – In the presence of the President of France, H.E. François Hollande, and the Minister of International Trade and Industry, YB Dato’ Sri Mustapa Mohamed, Prestariang, one of Malaysia’s leading Technology and Talent solutions providers, and Thales, global leader in high technology solutions for key infrastructures, signed an agreement for border security.**

The agreement identifies Thales as the **main technology partner** of Prestariang in the implementation of the proposed ‘Sistem Kawalan Imigresen Nasional’ (“**SKIN**”), an integrated technology platform aimed at delivering the core applications and infrastructure of the national immigration and border control system.

SKIN will provide a comprehensive and integrated solution composed by five main modules: Passport, Visa, Border Control, Enforcement and Risk Assessment. The objective of the project is to bring the country’s immigration and border control systems in line with national security objectives and to address both current and future operational demands. SKIN is a 15-year concession which includes a three-year build and deployment phase followed by a 12-year maintenance and operation phase.

**Dr. Abu Hasan Ismail**, President/ Group Chief Executive Officer of Prestariang Berhad stated : *“As Thales’s portfolio ranges from the most sophisticated border-control and surveillance systems, to visa and passport solutions, we believe its unique position and capabilities will allow us to jointly design and deliver the best solution for SKIN. We see synergy in this partnership that will further strengthen Prestariang’s continued growth as one of the leaders in these technologies particularly in the cybersecurity sector. Our combined expertise will also enable us to deliver other projects in similar size and nature in the future,”*

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**About Prestariang Berhad ([www.prestariang.com.my](http://www.prestariang.com.my))**

Prestariang Berhad (“Prestariang” or the “Group”), is a Technology and Talent solutions provider in Malaysia focusing on cyber security, big data, coding and change management. The Group offers innovated service-based platform businesses within the digital economy via its two core business divisions in Technology and Talent.

Prestariang is currently the single largest Microsoft License Service Provider in Malaysia and the exclusive distributor of Autodesk license software for education in Malaysia. In delivering its services in Malaysia, Prestariang is a key partner of international companies including Thales, Alibaba Cloud, Microsoft, Autodesk, IBM, Oracle, CompTIA, EC-Council, Certiport, Prometric, PearsonVue, Global Knowledge, Quilt Wellington Redwood, Imperial College of London, TWIG and others.

Since its inception in 2003, Prestariang has trained and certified over 250,000 individuals and distributed and managed more than 5.5 million software licenses, making it the largest training and certification provider in Malaysia offering over 60 globally recognized certification courses.

With a total market capitalisation of approximately RM1.0 billion, Prestariang is one of the constituents of the FTSE4Good Bursa Malaysia Index, FTSE Bursa Malaysia Emas Shariah Index and FTSE Bursa Malaysia Small Cap Shariah Index. Listed as one of the Forbes’ Asia’s 200 Best Under A Billion in 2013/2014 and the Minority Shareholder Watchdog Group’s (“MSWG”) Top 100 ASEAN Corporate Governance Scorecard for 2014.

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