Bank Muamalat Achieves Milestone RM102 Million Pre-Tax Profit (Rose 60%) in Latest 6-Months Ended 30 September 2010

- Net profit soared to RM71.9 million during the same period, registering 53% growth on an annualised basis;
- Robust performance underpinned by steady income growth and lower allowances made for impaired assets, latter reflects enhanced asset quality;
- Capital remains strong with Core Capital and Risk Weighted Capital ratios sustained at 14.2% and 18.3% respectively

Kuala Lumpur – For the first time since inception, Bank Muamalat Malaysia Berhad’s half year result have breached RM100 million mark for the latest six months ended September 2010. Profit before tax advanced to RM102.1 million or 60% higher on an annualised basis.

The steady and broad-based performance, including significantly reduced provisions for impaired assets, underpinned the robust delivery. The latter also reflects enhanced discipline and proactive approach to risk where net provisions made during the period under review narrowed to RM25.3 million or 73% lower compared to the previous corresponding period.

Net profit soared to RM71.9 or equivalent to 53% higher compared to RM47.0 million registered in the same period in the preceding financial year.

Total assets increased to RM16.0 billion as at end September 2010, representing a year-on-year growth of 8.3%. Asset expansion was driven by the 10.7% increase in financing, attributed to steady credit appetite from both the consumer and wholesale businesses. At the same time customer deposits remained firm at RM13.8 billion or 9.4% higher from a year ago.

Significantly, capital positions remained strong with Core Capital Ratio and Risk Weighted Capital Ratio sustained at 14.2% and 18.3%, respectively.

Meanwhile, net profit for the latest 3-months ending September 2010 increased to RM38.4 million or 23% higher compared to the same period last year. In comparison, net profit for the latest quarter is 15% higher compared to the preceding 3-months.

Please refer to the financial report for further details, which is available online in the Corporate Overview section at www.muamalat.com.my.