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RHB ISLAMIC BANK APPOINTED AS AGENT FOR PTPTN'S NATIONAL EDUCATION SAVINGS SCHEME (SSPN-i)

Kuala Lumpur, 22 April 2014 – RHB Islamic Bank Berhad (RHB Islamic) a member of the RHB Banking Group, has been officially appointed by the National Higher Education Fund Corporation (PTPTN) as an agent of its National Education Savings Scheme-i (SSPN-i) effective 17 March 2014.

Through this appointment, students who wish to apply for PTPTN loans can now open the SSPN-i account and make deposits into the account at all RHB Islamic Bank and RHB Bank branches throughout the country. SSPN-i accounts can also be opened by parents and legal guardians on behalf of their children.

To officially mark the appointment, a ceremony was held earlier today with an exchange of the signed service level agreement between YBhg Dato' Khairussaleh Ramli, Deputy Group Managing Director, RHB Banking Group and Managing Director, RHB Bank and YB Dato' Shamsul Anuar Haji Nasarah, Chairman of PTPTN.

The exchange of service level agreement was witnessed by YB Dato' Seri Idris Bin Jusoh, Minister of Education II Malaysia.

Tuan Haji Ibrahim Hassan, Managing Director, RHB Islamic Bank, who was also at the ceremony said, "We are pleased d to be appointed by PTPTN as an SSPN-i agent. With over 200 RHB Islamic and RHB Bank branches nationwide as well as our mobile banking channels, PTPTN holders will have easy access to conduct their PTPTN related transactions."

He also added that going forward, RHB Islamic Bank will be supporting the SSPN-i scheme by providing account holders with enhance services including self-service banking facilities.

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