

**MATERIAL LITIGATION KNM GROUP BERHAD ("KNM" OR "THE COMPANY") HIGH COURT OF MALAYA AT KUALA LUMPUR CIVIL SUIT NO. WA-22NCC-731-10/2023: KNM GROUP BERHAD ("1ST PLAINTIFF"), DEUTSCHE KNM GMBH ("2ND PLAINTIFF") AND BORSIG GMBH ("3RD PLAINTIFF") (COLLECTIVELY REFERRED TO AS "PLAINTIFFS") VS FLAVIO PORRO ("1ST DEFENDANT") AND TERENCE TAN KOON PING ("2ND DEFENDANT") (COLLECTIVELY REFERRED TO AS "DEFENDANTS")**

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Reference is made to the announcements dated 12 October 2023 and 30 October 2023 in relation to the Kuala Lumpur High Court Civil Suit No:WA-22NCC-731-10/2023 by KNM Group Berhad, Deutsche KNM GMBH, and Borsig GMBH ("Plaintiffs") against Flavio Porro and Terence Tan Koon Ping ("the Defendants").

*Unless otherwise stated, the terms stated herein shall have the same meaning as defined in the announcement.*

The parties have since filed their pleadings which include:

- i. Plaintiffs' Statement of Claim dated 11 October 2023;
- ii. 1st Defendant's Statement of Defence and Counterclaim dated 16 November 2023;
- iii. 2nd Defendant's Statement of Defence dated 29 November 2023;
- iv. Plaintiffs' Amended Reply to 2nd Defendant's Defence dated 05 January 2024;
- v. Plaintiffs' Amended Reply to 1st Defendant's Statement of Defence and Counterclaim dated 08 January 2024.

The 2nd Defendant filed an application to strike out the Plaintiffs' claim pursuant to Order 18 rule 19(1)(b) and/or (d) of the Rules of Court 2012 on 04 March 2024 ("Enclosure 16").

The Plaintiffs filed an application for Security for Cost against the 1st Defendant pursuant to Order 23 Rule 1 of the Rules of Court 2012 on 19 March 2024 ("Enclosure 22").

The hearing dates for Enclosure 22 vis a vis Security for Costs and Enclosure 16 vis a vis Striking out Application were fixed on 5 July 2024 and 18 June 2024 respectively.

On 6 August 2024, the Court has dismissed both Enclosure 16 and Enclosure 22 (Security for Costs Application and Striking out Application).

In addition, the 2nd Defendant filed an application to amend his Statement of Defence pursuant to Order 20 Rule 5 of the Rules of Court 2024 on 30 October 2024 (Enclosure 59) with the hearing date has been fixed on 3 February 2025.

On 18 February 2025, the Court allowed the 2nd Defendant's application to amend his Statement of Defence. In doing so, the Court had also recognized the prejudice caused to the Plaintiffs by the delay caused by the amendment. Consequently, the Court awarded the Plaintiffs costs in the sum of RM3,000.00 to compensate for the prejudice and/or inconvenience caused. In light of the circumstances, the Plaintiffs will be afforded the opportunity to file its Amended Reply to Defence.

Furthermore, the Court has scheduled a case management on 27 March 2025 for parties to update the Court on the filing of the amended pleadings and to receive further directions.

The Company will make the announcement as and when there is any material development in relation thereof.

This announcement is dated 25 February 2025.

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#### Announcement Info

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