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URGENT PRESS RELEASE PUBLIC VICTIMISATION OF “MINORITY SHAREHOLDERS”

Dear Stakeholder,

Amaanat Minorities NPO (AM) distances itself from any aspersions or insinuations regarding “a minority shareholder grouping” and rejects any implications of association. We are disappointed by the latest developments which demonstrate a serious disconnect between the directors and shareholders, since the underlying issue of divestment continues to fester. Furthermore, there exists serious anger, animosity and fury amongst the shareholders considering the fees being earned by the non-executive directors in contrast to the pain of shareholders due to sub-economic returns being paid to shareholders and the continued entrapment in this investment.

The primary concern remains AIH Ltd.’s failure to facilitate any divestment program for shareholders, many of whom are in distressing financial situations because of the pandemic. These include senior citizens, widows, ulema, and others facing personal financial hardship. AM believes that shareholders should be allowed to divest if they wish, as their ongoing entrapment is causing significant emotional, financial and health strain which is severely affecting their mental state.

In addition, AIH Ltd. has not provided Audited Annual Financial Statements for 2022, 2023, and 2024 and approaching 2025, leaving shareholders without essential information to evaluate the company’s performance. The last audited statement, for 2021, was only presented in 2024, which is a violation of shareholder rights under the Companies Act. Furthermore, the company has not provided us with management accounts or working papers, despite these being crucial for assessing performance in the absence of Audited Financial Statements.

AM has already filed two PAIA requests to obtain this information and further to this, requests relating to the infamous “Hartly” transaction and other dubious transactions, will be filed in the coming days. AM has already engaged the relevant regulatory authorities; these matters are now “sub judice”. Our members have also reached out to media houses to express their discontent and frustration, highlighting the dire impact on their personal lives. We note that AIH Ltd. was given the right to reply, yet we are now informed that they will not comment. This refusal further undermines transparency and accountability, as it fails to address the concerns raised by shareholders in the public domain. It’s important to note that AIH Ltd. is a public company and not a private company, furthermore many public benefit organisations (PBO) and musjids have funds invested in AIH Ltd. It is for this reason that this matter is of public interest.

We demand that AIH Ltd. immediately implement a clear process for divestment and provide the required financial information to shareholders forthwith. Instead of further victimisation and issuing of veiled threats against emotionally and mentally distressed persons, who are impoverished and destitute. AM proposes a once off “Ramadan Special Return” (RSR) which can be a temporary measure for shareholders, this Ramadan. It’s therefore vital for us to obtain the latest financial information and the amount held in reserves, to establish the quantum of the RSR and to calculate if this can be economically possible. The reward for feeding a fasting person is tremendous. AM will take all necessary steps, including but not limited to legal action and media campaigns, to bring public awareness and protect members and shareholder rights.

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