

STAMP DUTY (EXEMPTION) (NO. 4) ORDER 2018

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IN exercise of the powers conferred by subsection 80(1) of the Stamp Act 1949 [Act 378], the Minister makes the following order:

CITATION AND COMMENCEMENT

1(1) This order may be cited as the **Stamp Duty (Exemption) (No. 4) Order 2018**.

1(2) This Order comes into operation on 1 January 2019.

EXEMPTION

2(1) Any loan agreement to finance the purchase of only one unit of residential property the value of which is not more than three hundred thousand ringgit (RM300,000.00) executed between an individual named in the sale and purchase agreement and—

- (a) a licensed bank under the Financial Services Act 2013 [Act 758];
- (b) a licensed Islamic bank under the Islamic Financial Services Act 2013 [Act 759];
- (c) a development financial institution prescribed under the Development Financial Institutions Act 2002 [Act 618];
- (d) a licensed insurer under the Financial Services Act 2013;
- (e) a licensed takaful operator under the Islamic Financial Services Act 2013;
- (f) a co-operative society registered under the Co-operative Societies Act 1993 [Act 502];
- (g) any employer who provides an employee housing loan scheme;
- (h) the Borneo Housing Mortgage Finance Berhad incorporated under the Companies Act 2016 [Act 777]; or
- (i) the Mutiara Mortgage and Credit Sdn Bhd incorporated under the Companies Act 2016,

shall be exempted from stamp duty.

2(2) The exemption of the stamp duty under subparagraph (1) shall only apply if—

- (a) the sale and purchase agreement for the purchase of the residential property is executed on or after 1 January 2019 but not later than 31 December 2020; and
- (b) the individual has never owned any residential property including a residential property which is obtained by way of inheritance or gift, which is held either individually or jointly.

2(3) The application for the exemption of the stamp duty shall be accompanied by a statutory declaration under the Statutory Declarations Act 1960 [Act 783] by the individual referred to in the subparagraph (1) confirming that the individual has never owned any residential property including a residential property which is obtained by way of inheritance or gift, which is held either individually or jointly.

2(4) In this paragraph—

“residential property” means a house, a condominium unit, an apartment or a flat purchased or obtained solely to be used as a dwelling house; and

“individual” means a purchaser, or co-purchaser, who is a Malaysian citizen.