بسم الله الرحمن الرحيم

IN THE NAME OF ALLAH, THE ALL COMPASSIONATE, THE MOST MERCIFUL SHARIAH COMPLIANCE REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

RE: Old Mutual Albaraka Balanced Fund

The Shari'ah Supervisory Board has reviewed the transactions and securities held by the Fund during the year ended 31 December 2024 to form an opinion as to whether the Fund has complied with the applicable Shariah Rules and Principles.

The Fund Management is responsible for ensuring that the Fund complies with the resolutions passed, and Shariah investment guidelines set out, by the Shari'ah Supervisory Board having regard to the AAOIFI Standards. It is the Shariah Supervisory Board's responsibility to form an independent opinion, based on its independent review of the operations of the Fund, and report to you.

During the year under review, the Shari'ah Supervisory Board held four meetings. The Shari'ah Supervisory Board in conjunction with the Shari'ah Audit Department of Albaraka Bank conducted thorough periodic audits of the investable universe by reference to the core activities of the underlying equities and the applicable financial ratios. As a consequence, companies whose core activities did not comply with applicable Shari'ah principles were excluded from the universe. Similarly, companies whose core activities were Shari'ah compliant, but did not comply with the applicable financial ratios, were also excluded from the universe.

The incidental impermissible income earned by the Fund is calculated by the Fund Manager, reviewed by the Shari'ah Supervisory Board, deducted at source and paid to the S. A. Muslim Charitable Trust, for distribution to charity, in accordance with the directives of the Shari'ah Supervisory Board.

At the quarterly meeting of the full Shari'ah Supervisory Board which took place on 21 May 2025, the Shari'ah Supervisory Board reviewed the aforegoing including:

- 1) The core activities and the financial ratios of the companies constituting the investable universe and the Fund holdings;
- 2) The updated Shariah compliance certificates for non-equity investments;
- 3) The minutes of the meetings of the Shari'ah Supervisory Board;
- 4) The external Shariah compliance audit report;
- 5) The Annual Financial Statements of the Fund for the 12-month period ended 31 December 2024; and
- 6) All matters relating to Shari'ah that were raised.

Accordingly, the Shari'ah Supervisory Board has examined all the activities of the Old Mutual Albaraka Balanced Fund ("the Fund") and is of the opinion that the Fund has complied with the resolutions passed, and Shariah investment guidelines set out, by the Shari'ah Supervisory Board, having regard to the applicable AAOIFI Shariah Standards.

Shaykh Mahomed Shoaib Omar Chairman Shari'ah Supervisory Board Mufti Shafique Jakhura Member Shari'ah Supervisory Board Mufti Zubair Bayat Member Shari'ah Supervisory Board

21 May 2025