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THE EFFECTIVENESS OF MARKETING STRATEGY USED BY TAKAFUL NASIONAL SDN BHD, KUCHING IN MARKETING THEIR PRODUCTS

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CHAPTER 1

1.0 INTRODUCTION

In efforts toward sustaining the nation's robust economy and to assimilate Islamic values, the Malaysian government has strived to implement Islamic Financial System in tandem with the conventional financial structure.

The Islamic Financial System which is based on syariah laws covers institutions like AI Bank Alla' Ribawi (Free Interest Banking), Takaful (Insurance), Ar Rahn (Pawn Broking) and Islamic shares transaction have gained the support of Muslims and non Muslims alike. Insya Allah, the Islamic Muamalah will be the business culture of future.

Several of these approaches, namely al Bank Alla' Ribawi and Takaful, are also being successfully practised in the neighbouring countries such as Brunei Darussalam, Indonesia and Singapore through the aid and assistance of expertise from Malaysian Islamic Financial institution. However, in this study, researcher will focus on Takaful.

Takaful is a pack to jointly guarantee and to assist one another. This is in accordance to the hadith of Rasullulah saw "By Allah swt in whose might my life lies, no one will enter heaven if he does not shelter his neighbour in handship."

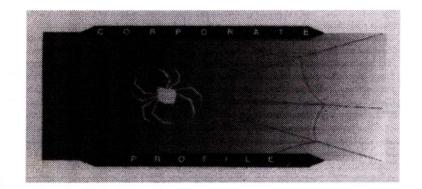
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CHAPTER 2

2.0 Background of the company

MNI Takaful Sdn Bhd was incorporated on October 15, 1993, with an authorised capital of RM50 million and paid up of RM25 million. Presently, the company is jointly – owned by Malaysia Nasional Insurance Sdn Bhd (80%) and Yayasan Pembangunan Ekonomi Islam Malaysia (20%)

MNI Takaful expanded its operation to Kuching, Sarawak in 1997 which located at Jln Rubber and only employed two staffs. On June 1998, they officially moved to the new office at Jln Tun Ahmad Zaidi Adruce. Later, on October 10, 1998 MNI Takaful was changed to Takaful Nasional Sdn Bhd (TNSB) which launched by YB En Bolhassan Hj Di.



Takaful cover at TNSB is premised on the miraculous event chronicled in the Quran in which a spider web sheltered Prophet Muhammad SAW from antogonist of Islam when he sought refuse in the Thur cave. That, by

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CHAPTER 3

3.0 LITERATURE REVIEW

3.1 **Definition of Strategy**

A strategy is a fundamental pattern of present and planned objectives resources deployment and interaction of an organization with market, competitors and other environmental factors.

A good strategy should specify:

- What is to be accomplished
- Where, that is, on which industries or product market it will focus.
- How or which resources and activities will be located.

3.2 Component of Strategy

There are five components, or set of issues within a well developed strategy.

Scope

The scope of an organizations refers to the breadth of its strategic domain, that is, the number and types of industries, product lines and market segment it competes in or plan to enter. Decisions about and organization strategic scope should reflect management view and product markets defines the essential nature of what its business is and what it should be in the future.

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