

CEO Observations 2 May 2023



Another record quarter

- ROE reaches new high of 18.6%
- Healthy business momentum
 - Corporate loan growth led by Singapore real estate acquisition financing transactions
 - Fee income up YoY in February and March, reversing year-long declines
 - Net new money inflows continue to be strong
- Expenses well managed, stable QoQ on underlying basis
- Asset quality remains resilient
 - GP reserves strengthened as prudent measure



Outlook

- Business momentum healthy with some pockets of moderation
- Loan growth of 3-5%
 - Non-trade corporate loan pipeline healthy
 - Housing loan bookings have recovered, may see some impact from latest cooling measures
 - Wealth management customers not increasing leverage
- Fee income growth of high- single digit
 - Wealth management and investment banking recovering, pace of growth dependent on market conditions
 - Card fee growth sustained, supported by ongoing recovery in travel



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Outlook

- NIM likely peaked in 1Q
 - Asset pricing affected by low Hibor
 - Deposit repricing to continue
 - Support from 22% of Commercial book interest-bearing assets yet to reprice
 - NIM decline to be gradual, full-year NIM expected at 2.05-2.10%
- Expense growth maintained at 9-10%, cost-income ratio below 40%
- Asset quality resilient, SP maintained at 10-15bp
- Full-year ROE likely to be above 17%



Thank You

