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## GIC Joins KKR, BlackRock and Abu Dhabi Pensions Fund in Landmark ADNOC Pipeline Infrastructure Investment Agreement

- Combined investment by all investment parties totals almost \$5 billion
- Transaction underlines the quality of ADNOC's pipeline assets and attractive opportunities in the UAE over the long term

**Abu Dhabi, UAE, 30 July 2019** – The Abu Dhabi National Oil Company (ADNOC) announced, today, that it has entered into a further follow-on pipeline infrastructure investment agreement with GIC, Singapore's sovereign wealth fund. GIC will invest \$600 million in select ADNOC crude pipeline infrastructure, following BlackRock, KKR and the Abu Dhabi Retirement Pensions and Benefits Fund (ADRPBF), who earlier this year signed agreements to invest \$4.3 billion in these assets. This takes the combined lease-based investment of GIC, ADRPBF, KKR and BlackRock to \$4.9 billion.

This follow-on investment agreement will see GIC acquire a 6% stake in a newly formed entity, ADNOC Oil Pipelines LLC ('ADNOC Oil Pipelines'), with BlackRock and KKR together holding 40%, ADRPBF 3% and ADNOC the remaining 51%. Sovereignty over the pipelines and management of pipeline operations remain with ADNOC. The transaction is expected to close before the end of 2019, subject to customary closing conditions and all regulatory approvals.

The innovative leasing investment structure has seen GIC and other top-tier global and domestic institutional investors deploy long-term capital into ADNOC's key infrastructure assets.

Commenting on the transaction, Ahmed Jasim Al Zaabi, Group Director Finance and Investment at ADNOC said: "We are delighted that GIC, one of the world's most renowned sovereign wealth funds and a leading long-term global investor, has joined KKR, BlackRock and the Abu Dhabi Pensions Fund in this pioneering investment in select ADNOC oil pipelines. "With nearly \$5 billion of total investment, the overall agreement is testimony to the global investment community's positive view on the attractiveness of both the UAE's long-term potential, as well as the quality of ADNOC's substantial infrastructure asset base."

Ang Eng Seng, Chief Investment Officer for Infrastructure at GIC, said: "We are pleased to establish our partnership with ADNOC, a leading operator with a strong track record and an innovative approach. As a global long-term investor, we are confident in the quality of ADNOC's substantial oil pipeline network, which is a core element of Abu Dhabi's energy ecosystem. We look forward to supporting ADNOC in the future growth of its oil pipeline business."

Over the last two years, ADNOC has significantly expanded its strategic partnership and coinvestment model and created new investment opportunities across all areas of its value chain, while at the same time, more proactively managing its portfolio of assets and capital.

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### About GIC

GIC is a leading global investment firm established in 1981 to manage Singapore's foreign reserves. As a disciplined long-term value investor, GIC is uniquely positioned for investments across a wide range of asset classes, including equities, fixed income, private equity, real estate and infrastructure. In infrastructure, GIC's primary strategy is to invest directly in operating assets with a high degree of cash flow visibility and which provide a hedge against inflation. GIC has investments in over 40 countries. Headquartered in Singapore, GIC employs over 1,500 people across 10 offices in key financial cities worldwide.

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#### About ADNOC

ADNOC is one of the world's leading diversified energy and petrochemical groups with a daily output of about 3 million barrels of oil and 10.5 billion cubic feet of natural gas. With 14 specialist subsidiary and joint venture companies, ADNOC is a primary catalyst for the UAE's growth and diversification. To find out more visit: www.adnoc.ae

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### **Notes to Editors**

This transaction continues ADNOC's smart growth strategy and follows on from several other recent value creation initiatives including ADNOC's debut capital markets transaction, the issuance of the Abu Dhabi Crude Oil Pipeline (ADCOP) bond, the IPO of ADNOC Distribution, the recent strategic equity and commercial partnerships between ADNOC Drilling and Baker Hughes as well as ADNOC Refining and Eni and OMV and ADNOC Fertilizers and OCI. Fitch Ratings also recently assigned ADNOC a standalone credit rating of AA+ and a Long-Term Issuer Default Rating of AA with a Stable Outlook. Both ratings are the highest currently assigned by Fitch for any oil and gas company, globally.

ADNOC Oil Pipelines leases ADNOC's interest in 18 pipelines, transporting stabilized crude oil and condensate across ADNOC's offshore and onshore upstream concessions, for a 23-year period. The entity receives a tariff payable by ADNOC, for its share of volume of crude and condensate that flows through the pipelines, backed by minimum volume commitments.

ADNOC Oil Pipelines has a total length of over 750km, and a total aggregate capacity of approximately 13,000 Mbblpd (gross). These assets represent key midstream infrastructure for Abu Dhabi's energy ecosystem, allowing for the vast majority of Abu Dhabi's crude oil production to be transported from ADNOC's onshore and offshore upstream assets, to Abu Dhabi's key take-away outlets and terminals for conversion to other high-value products, or on to global energy markets. The pipelines have underlying long-term minimum volume commitments and are supported by stable crude oil production from ADNOC Onshore and ADNOC Offshore – the leading onshore and offshore operating companies in ADNOC with global IOCs as JV partners, each with an average remaining concession life of over 35 years.