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**PRESS STATEMENT BY THE HONOURABLE DATUK DR NORAINI
AHMAD, CHAIRPERSON OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE (PAC)
CUM MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT FOR PARIT SULONG REGARDING THE
MEDIA REPORT OF PAC REPORT ON THE RM19.4 BILLION
OUTSTANDING GST REFUND CLAIMS**

- 1) “I am disappointed with the report titled ‘BN used GST refunds to cover shortfalls, panels finds’ that was published on *The Malaysian Insight* today.
- 2) The media report is clearly inaccurate and misleading because it does not conform to what was discussed and decided by the PAC after 11 months of meetings.
- 3) At the same time, the disclosure by the media by quoting the PAC Report clearly showed disrespect towards the confidentiality of the report, which is still classified as confidential until it is tabled in the Dewan Rakyat next Tuesday, then becomes a public document.
- 4) In this regard, I urge the media to be patient until the PAC Report on the RM19.4 billion outstanding GST refund claims has been disclosed, before making any reports on this issue.

5) In addition, the public may also read this report by downloading it from the PAC website at www.parlimen.gov.my/pac on the same day it will be tabled.

Thank you.

Hon. Datuk Dr. Noraini Ahmad
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