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## MEDIA STATEMENT REGARDING THE APPOINTMENT OF AN INDEPENDENT AUDIT FIRM BY THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCES

1. The Public Accounts Committee (PAC) welcomes the proactive action by the Honourable Minister of Human Resources, **Hon. Mr. Sim Chee Keong** for carrying out an independent audit on HRD Corp related to the findings reported by PAC and the National Audit Department (NAD).
2. The PAC was informed that the Ministry of Human Resources (KESUMA) will appoint an independent audit firm on 31 July 2024 to conduct an audit on HRD Corp. This is a commendable measure by KESUMA to restore public trust in the Government's Company Limited by Guarantee (CLBG).
3. The proactive measures taken by KESUMA demonstrate that the Hon. Minister of Human Resources has kept his promise not to hide any truths.
4. At the same time, the PAC also wants KESUMA to present the findings and results of the independent audit to this Committee when the Ministry and HRD Corp are called for follow-up proceedings in September.

5. Although the issues reported by the PAC and the Auditor General's Report (LKAN) did not occur during the tenure of the Hon. Mr. Sim Chee Keong as the Minister of KESUMA, his willingness to appoint an independent audit firm to conduct an audit based on the findings of the PAC and the NAD should serve as an example to other cabinet ministers.

Thank you.

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