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PAC MEDIA STATEMENT

1. Assalamualaikum WBT and salam sejahtera, this press conference is the last PAC press conference for the Second Meeting, Third Session, 15th Parliament. Today PAC presented the Report of the Follow-up Actions of the Ministry of Education (MOE) Malaysia, Public Works Department (PWD) Malaysia, PWD Sarawak and PWD Sabah over the Recommendations of the PAC Report regarding the Management of Upgrading and Rehabilitation of Dilapidated School Buildings.
2. This report is to inform the follow-up actions taken by the MOE, PWD Malaysia, PWD Sarawak and PWD Sabah over PAC's recommendations in PAC Report regarding the Management of Upgrading and Rehabilitation of Dilapidated School Buildings which was presented in Parliament on 21 March 2024.
3. PAC held a follow-up action proceeding regarding the dilapidated school issue on 3 July 2024 and the witnesses present were the MOF's Treasury Deputy Secretary General (Management) who represented the Treasury Secretary General, and the MOE's Secretary General.
4. PAC had made four recommendations to the MOF and MOE. MOF and MOE had submitted feedback on the recommendations.

5. Following that, the Committee has given comments on each follow-up action taken over the recommendations given—whether it is appropriate and acceptable to the Committee.
6. PAC is of the opinion that there is still much room for improvement to achieve the initiative of zero dilapidated school buildings. The Government, especially MOE and PWD need to be more proactive to expedite implementations of development projects or renovations and upgrading works for dilapidated buildings besides intensifying the verification process for data entered into EMIS.
7. PAC also suggested to the MOE to look at preventive works to deal with the issue of dilapidated school buildings, taking into account existing financial condition and allocations
8. The public may read every follow-up action by the MOE, PWD Malaysia, PWD Sarawak and PWD Sabah as well as PAC's comments by visiting the PAC website at www.parlimen.gov.my/pac

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9. Besides the follow-up action report regarding dilapidated schools presented today, PAC presented as well six reports in the Second Meeting of the Third Session of the 15th Parliament as follows:
 - i. PAC Report regarding FELCRA Berhad on 26 June 2024;
 - ii. Report of Follow-up Actions by the Ministry on the Management of Property Development of the Langkawi Development Authority on 27 June 2024;

- iii. PAC Report regarding Integrated Foreign Workers Management System (ePPAx) and Foreign Workers Centralised Management System (FWCMS) on 3 July 2024;
 - iv. PAC Report regarding HRD Corp's Training Fund Management and Effectiveness on 4 July 2024;
 - v. PAC Report regarding Forest Management and Its Environmental Impact on 11 July 2024; and
 - vi. Report of Follow-up Actions by the Ministry regarding UiTM Holdings Sdn. Bhd. on 15 July 2024.
10. On the last day of the Dewan Rakyat session this Thursday, PAC will present the Ministry's Follow-up Action Report regarding the Flood Forecasting and Warning Programme, making a total of eight reports to be presented during this meeting.
11. I would also like to inform that the Auditor General has given a briefing regarding the Auditor General's Report (LKAN) 2/2024 on the Activities of Ministries/Federal Government Departments and Federal Statutory Bodies and the Management of Federal Government Companies on 10 July 2024.
12. Following that, the PAC members discussed and unanimously agreed to start proceedings for the following issues
- i. Proceeding regarding National Water Management under the Ministry of Energy Transition and Water Transformation (PETRA) and the Ministry of Natural Resources and Environmental Sustainability (NRESS) on 29 July 2024;
 - ii. Proceeding regarding Sarawak and Sabah Rural Water Supply Project Management under the Ministry of Rural and Regional Development on 30 July 2024;

- iii. Proceeding regarding MARA Incorporated Sdn. Bhd. under the Ministry of Rural and Regional Development on 31 July 2024; and
 - iv. Proceeding regarding National Professors Council under the Prime Minister's Department on 1 August 2024.
13. Besides that, PAC will also continue proceedings regarding the Rice Planting Management Programme under the Ministry of Agriculture and Food Security on 6 August 2024. These proceedings were held twice, which were on 13 December 2023 and 26 March 2024. In addition, two work visits were held for these proceedings, the places visited were Alor Setar and Gurun, Kedah and Sekinchan, Selangor.
14. Proceeding regarding Armed Forces Fund Board (LTAT) will be resumed by PAC on 7 August 2024 after the first proceeding held on 20 June 2024. For the upcoming proceeding, PAC decided to call the following witnesses:
- i. **Hon. Dato' Seri Mohamed Khaled bin Nordin**, Minister of Defense;
 - ii. **General (B) Tan Sri Raja Mohamed Affandi Raha Mohamed Noor**, former LTAT chairman;
 - iii. **Datuk Ahmad Nazim Abd Rahman**, former LTAT chief executive director; and
 - iv. **Ms. Dayana Rogayah Omar**, former LTAT senior strategy director.

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15. On behalf of PAC, I would like to state how important it is for the tabled PAC reports to be debated. PAC reports can be debated in accordance with the Clause 14(1)(l) of the Dewan Rakyat Standing Orders.

16. Such debates will allow the people to be aware of the matters investigated by PAC while at the same time, giving opportunities to members of parliament to have deeper understanding of the issues reported.
17. PAC is confident that through the debates on the PAC reports, the Ministries, Departments and Agencies involved can take effective, corrective actions to address related issue in response to the recommendations made by the Dewan Rakyat members.
18. Through the debates, PAC is able to defend the conclusions and recommendations that had been presented as before this, PAC did not have any platform to explain to the people.
19. As known that PAC met with the Prime Minister, Hon. Dato' Seri Anwar bin Ibrahim on 4 July 2024. The Prime Minister stressed that PAC needs to continue to actively play a check and balance role to oversee the Government's revenue and finances and this is what the Committee will be doing.
20. On this occasion, I would like to comment on the change of PAC vice chairperson that Hon. Teresa Kok, member of parliament for Seputeh was elected to replace Hon. Wong Shu Qi, member of parliament for Kluang. PAC would like to thank Hon. Wong Shu Qi for her service in the Committee since the 14th Parliament as a PAC member and as the vice chairperson of the 15th PAC since 4 April 2023. Congratulations to Hon. Member for Kluang for being appointed as the chairperson of the TalentCorp Board.
21. We welcome the appointment and presence of Hon. Teresa Kok, member of parliament for Seputeh as PAC vice chairperson. We welcome and congratulate her for joining PAC. PAC believes that her experience as a member of parliament since 1999 and a former Minister of Primary

Industries can make PAC to be more authoritative in ensuring that every report presented has an impact on the Government.

22. I would like to share that as a PAC Member, the party hat should be taken off while performing duties in the Committee since all PAC decisions are by consensus. Everything that happens in the Committee cannot be brought out and vice versa.
23. Indeed, PAC is a Parliamentary Select Committee that has existed for 65 years since 1959 and the credibility of the Committee as non-partisan should be maintained and upheld.
24. Finally, PAC is satisfied with the cooperation given by all PAC members including ex-officio who have advised and provided guidance in each meeting to ensure that the reports produced are transparent and comprehensive. A thousand thanks and highest appreciation to them.

Thank you.

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