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**MEDIA STATEMENT REGARDING THE INVESTIGATION BY THE
MALAYSIAN ANTI-CORRUPTION COMMISSION INTO THE PROCUREMENT
OF MEDICAL SERVICES, ABUSE OF POWER IN THE DISTRIBUTION OF AID
AND STIMULUS PACKAGES PROVIDED BY THE GOVERNMENT**

1. The Public Accounts Committee (PAC) takes seriously the statement made by Tan Sri Azam Baki, the Chief Commissioner of the Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission (MACC) on 24 May 2022 that the enforcement agency is conducting an investigation into the procurement of medical services, abuse of power in the distribution of aid and stimulus packages provided by the Government.
2. As a Select Committee of Dewan Rakyat that has a mandate to examine Government's expenditure so that it complies with the law, Government financial regulations in force, contract terms and payments being implemented properly, the PAC will not compromise with any party trying to make a profit for personal gain.
3. Hence, I have officially informed the Auditor General yesterday for the National Audit Department to conduct a special audit on the Government's procurement and expenditure for medical services during the Covid-19 pandemic, and the issue of abuse of power in the distribution of aid and stimulus packages provided by the Government.

4. This special audit should be expedited, with the findings and results presented to the PAC, so that this Committee can identify if there was any malpractice, reckless spending, and abuse of power in the procurement of medical services.
5. For that purpose, PAC will use the power stipulated under Standing Order 77(1)(d) and 77(5) of the Dewan Rakyat as well as Section III, Article 11 (b), General Circular No. 2 (1982) to summon the Ministry of Finance (MOF), MACC and the ministries/agencies involved to provide briefings and explanations to the committee regarding this matter.

Thank you.

The Honourable Wong Kah Woh