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MEDIA STATEMENT ON PROCEEDINGS ON MYSEJAHTERA APPLICATION DEVELOPMENT AND **PROCUREMENT**

- 1. The Public Accounts Committee will start its proceedings on the Development and Procurement of MySejahtera application.
- 2. On 21 September 2021, through a reply in the Dewan Rakyat, the Government has stated that the MySejahtera application started as a Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) and the given CSR period has reached its expiry of one year on 31 March 2021. The Government has decided to make payment for the use of the MySejahtera application starting on 1 April 2021.
- 3. The MySejahtera application issue is also included in the PAC Report on the Procurement of COVID-19 Vaccines and Its Use on Malaysians which was tabled in Parliament on 1 December 2021. At the time, PAC concluded that the concept of CSR had been used as a mechanism to procure Government's project without going through proper procurement procedures. PAC also recommended the Government should not pay for the usage of MySejahtera application as its development was based on CSR. The Government should take over the operation of the application without incurring any additional cost as it has become part of the national health system.

- 4. On 8 March 2022, the Committee held a Follow-up Proceeding from the Controlling Officers on the Recommendation for the PAC Report. In the proceeding, PAC was informed that the Cabinet Meeting on 26 November 2021 has agreed to give approval to the Ministry of Health to appoint MYSJ Sdn. Bhd. through direct negotiation for the purpose of refining the MySejahtera application procurement process. PAC was informed that MOH need to carry out due diligence on the company to be appointed.
- 5. At the same time, the PAC has raised the question of how the ownership of the MySejahtera application was transferred from KPISoft Malaysia Sdn. Bhd. to MYSJ Sdn. Bhd. The PAC is of the view that a direct negotiated appointment to a new company should not take place.
- 6. The Follow-up Report was tabled at the Dewan Rakyat on 24 March 2022 and the issue received a widespread attention from the people over the past week.
- 7. PAC is of the view that the issue regarding the development and procurement of MySejahtera application should be explained transparently before this Committee, as a nonpartisan committee, in the interest of the people and the country, especially the appointment of a private company as the operator of MySejahtera application through direct negotiations and costs involved. Furthermore, it involves issues regarding the security of the people's personal data, thus preventing irresponsible parties from taking advantage of the people's personal information.
- 8. Therefore, it is very appropriate for the PAC to hold proceeding on the issue of MySejahtera application in accordance with the authority of this Committee under the Standing Order of 77 (1)(d) of the Rules of the Dewan Rakyat which clearly states "... any other matter deemed by the Committee should be examined ... ". In

addition, PAC will also use its sources of authority under the Standing Order of 83 (2) and Article 11(b) of General Circular No. 2 of 1982 in handling the proceedings.

- 9. PAC will summon the Ministry of Finance, the Ministry of Health and the Prime Minister's Department for these proceedings. For a start, two (2) key witnesses will be called, namely the Minister of Finance, Datuk Seri Tengku Zafrul Tengku Abdul Aziz and the Minister of Health, Khairy Jamaluddin to appear before the PAC.
- 10. The date and time of the proceedings will be fixed and announced in the nearest time.

Thank You,
Honourable Wong Kah Woh