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PRESS STATEMENT FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

NUJ to take a firm stand on politician calling journalists "prostitute" at Extraordinary Delegates Conference (EDC)

Delegates attending the NUJ EDC on March 3 will take a firm stand on the politician Hew Kuan Yau.

The NUJ had earlier decided to hold this unprecedented meeting in its 50 year history to discuss two resolutions: that members practice ethical journalism and subscribe to fair reporting during the general election.

Secondly, to debate on existing press laws that hampers journalists from carrying out their duty effectively.

Since Monday we have received feedback and comments from members and our principal office bearers on this issue.

The EDC is the highest decision making body of the NUJ. About 80 delegates from eight branches will attend the event.

I believe they have strong views, including women delegates, of what was said by Hew Kuan Yau about journalists and the profession.

Their stand will give legitimacy and a bigger voice for the NUJ to take the appropriate action.

I have no doubt the delegates who represent 1500 members will represent their views as the issue of making degrading remarks about journalist is related to the first resolution.

We will act accordingly as instructed by the EDC.

Chin Sung Chew
NUJ president.

