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TO ALL NEWS EDITORS

PRESS STATEMENT FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

The National Union of Journalists Peninsular Malaysia (NUJM) expresses its grave concern over the action in revoking the press passes of reporters from Harakah as well as the the paper's accreditation.

The action must taken into account the welfare of the journalists involved in the revoke of the media tags.

NUJM is concerned that the journalists involved will not be allowed to perform their duties, they will not be paid hence affecting their livelihoods.

NUJM takes seriously the frequency of harsh measures imposed on media organisations and its personnel in recent times.

NUJM is of the view that it would be better if the government expedited the establishment of the Malaysian Media Council to ensure that such incidents do not happen again and that the fate of media personnel is protected.

The Communications and Digital Ministry should meet with the Information Department to review the revocation of media tag of journalists at Harakah Daily and publication's accreditation as it has impaired the democracy and freedom of press practised in Malaysia since its independence.

We hope the Information Department has an explanation as to why this incident occurred.

If there was indeed any false reporting by publications, further action should taken according to the laws and regulations.

On behalf of the NUJ Executive Committee,

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