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**APPRECIATION AND NETWORKING HI-TEA EVENT FOR THE
MALAYSIAN PAVILION AT UNFCCC COP29**

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**GLASSHOUSE AT SEPUTEH,
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Thank you to the Master of Ceremonies.

Bismillahirrahmanirrahim

Assalamualaikum Warahmatullahi Wabarakatuh

Good afternoon and Salam Malaysia Madani

1. **YBhg Datuk Dr. Ching Thoo a/l Kim**, Secretary General of NRES
2. **Ts. Shamsul Bahar Mohd Nor**, Group CEO of MGTC;
3. Senior Officers of NRES;
4. Representatives from the private sector and strategic partners;
5. Ladies and gentlemen,

INTRODUCTION

1. Let me begin by expressing my heartfelt gratitude to everyone present here today for attending this Appreciation and Networking Hi-Tea event for the **Malaysian Pavilion at UNFCCC COP29**.
2. As you all know, Malaysia participated in the 28th Conference of the Parties to the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change, known as UNFCCC COP28, in Dubai, the United Arab Emirates, from 30th November to 13th December 2023. We had a great and very active delegation during that very consequential Summit. One thing that really enhanced this, I feel, was our Malaysian Pavilion. It was not only the focal point of our participation in Dubai, but it also attracted visitors from all over the world, helping to promote our country on the global stage.

3. Moreover, at COP28, the Malaysian Pavilion was officiated by His Majesty the Yang di-Pertuan Agong, underscoring the importance placed by our nation's leadership on climate action and our commitment to the global climate agenda.
4. I would like to express my highest appreciation to our strategic partners and sponsors who contributed to the development of the Malaysian Pavilion at UNFCCC-COP28. My thanks also to the members of the **Climate Change Advisory Panel** and all the dedicated individuals who worked tirelessly to curate and deliver the innovative programmes and engaging activities that were featured at the Malaysian Pavilion. Your invaluable support and collaboration were crucial in making our presence at these global climate conferences a resounding success.

Ladies and gentlemen,

MALAYSIA'S CONTINUING CLIMATE ACTION

5. As a country party of the UNFCCC, Malaysia remains steadfast in fulfilling its obligations under the convention. We have made significant strides in implementing various initiatives to achieve our greenhouse gas (GHG) reduction targets and national net-zero aspirations. Malaysia officially submitted the **Fourth National Communication (NC4)** to the UNFCCC on 2nd May 2024 and is currently preparing the **Biennial Transparency Report (BTR)** on GHG inventory achievements to be submitted to the UNFCCC by 31st December 2024.

6. I am also pleased to share that the **Nationally Determined Contribution (NDC) Roadmap Study** and **Long-Term Low Emissions Development Strategies (LT-LEDS)** conducted by NRES have been completed and are now in the process of securing approval from the Cabinet. These comprehensive documents will serve as a valuable guide for industry players as they plan and align their own net-zero strategies.
7. Furthermore, I am excited to inform you that the development of the **Climate Change Bill** has begun, with the consultant currently engaged in extensive stakeholder consultations to ensure a holistic and inclusive legislative framework. Additionally, the **National Adaptation Plan** preparation is set to commence in early 2025, with the funding support secured from the **Green Climate Fund**.

Ladies and gentlemen,

TOWARDS COP29 AND COP30

8. The UNFCCC Conferences are undoubtedly the largest global climate events, with COP28 attracting over 83,000 participants from 192 countries from around the world. Malaysia was honoured to be represented by the 16th largest delegation, underscoring our nation's unwavering dedication to climate action on the international stage.

9. The Malaysian Pavilions at UNFCCC COPs serve as vital platforms to showcase our country's climate mitigation, adaptation, and low-carbon initiatives, including advancements in renewable energy, carbon capture and storage, green hydrogen, waste management, environmental protection, and biodiversity conservation. These efforts aim to attract green investment, facilitate technology transfer, and build capacity to support Malaysia's transition to a sustainable, low-emission future.
10. To ensure continuity in enhancing Malaysia's image globally and building on the success of our Pavilion at COP28, we will again have a Malaysian Pavilion at the COP29 which will be held in **Baku, Azerbaijan**, from 11th to 22nd November 2024. I am confident that this Pavilion will be the best yet.
11. Our efforts will not stop in Baku. The Ministry is also making early preparations for UNFCCC COP30 in Belém, Brazil in 2025. As ASEAN Chair in 2025, one of Malaysia's focuses will be on climate change, and we will bring the voices of ASEAN countries to the UNFCCC Conference in Brazil. I invite our strategic partners to consider involvement in both COP29 and COP30. Your support had been decisive and I hope to see you all again in Baku.
12. For our new strategic partners here today, the Ministry wants to open more opportunities for parties to be involved in the development of the Malaysian Pavilion. This public-private cooperation is crucial in demonstrating Malaysia's commitment to climate action through a whole-of-nation approach. We hope this will be just the beginning of a long and productive relationship.

Ladies and gentlemen,

CONCLUSION

13. Once again, I would like to thank the sponsors of UNFCCC COP28, state governments, private sector representatives, members of the Advisory Panel, and all stakeholders for their support in developing this Pavilion. The Ministry also welcomes any suggestions and input to further improve the side events organised at the Malaysian Pavilion.
14. From the bottom of my heart, I invite all of you to collaborate with NRES in making the Malaysia Pavilions at UNFCCC COP29 and COP30 a success. May today's event be the beginning of a successful and productive partnership, ensuring Malaysia's voice is heard internationally. Thank you.

Wabillahi Taufiq Wal Hidayah

Wassalamualaikum Warahmatullahi Wabarakatuh.