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## MEDIA STATEMENT SENIOR MINISTER OF DEFENCE

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# ON THE MOVEMENT CONTROL ORDER (MCO) AND THE ENHANCED MOVEMENT CONTROL ORDER (EMCO)

Phase 1 of the full Movement Control Order (MCO) is maintained as outlined in the National Recovery Plan (NRP) until the three key indicators are achieved.

The three indicators are the average number of daily COVID-19 cases falling below 4,000, the ICU bed utilization rate is at a moderate level, and the vaccination rate of the population who have received two full doses has reached 10%.

Thus, the transition from Phase 1 to Phase 2 will take into account all these three indicators before a decision is made. As a whole, the NRP is a strategy to transition out of the COVID-19 pandemic crisis which encompasses a four phase Movement Control Order (MCO) transition plan carried out in stages.

Based on the risk assessment carried out by the Malaysian Ministry of Health (MOH), the government will maintain the nationwide Phase 1 period as announced by the YAB Prime Minister before the confirmation today.

It takes into account the current situation which has not yet succeeded in moving from Phase 1 to Phase 2 whereby the graph of daily number of positive cases shows a flattening trend.

In addition, there is confusion about the role of security forces, especially the Royal Malaysian Police (RMP) and the Armed Forces (ATM) in the previously announced Ops.

Duties are divided in two between the National Task Force which is led by the ATM through Ops BENTENG that involves national border control together with 11 other agencies including the RMP, Malaysian Maritime Enforcement Agency (MMEA) and others.

Whereas the Operations Compliance Task Force is led by the RMP and assisted by the ATM, Malaysia Civil Defence Force (APM), the People's Volunteer Corps (RELA), the Local Authorities and others for the purpose of monitoring compliance with SOPs either through roadblocks (SJR) or inspections in public areas.

Both these Task Forces have existed since MCO 1.0. After MCO 3.0 was implemented, the RMP Operations Compliance Task Force expanded towards conducting inspections on factories that violate orders and SOPs.



For monitoring activities and taking action against factories and business premises that violate orders or SOPs, the NSC coordinated a newly created Special Task Force. However, as an Operations Compliance Task Force already exists under the RMP that is carrying out almost similar duties in monitoring SOP compliance in public areas including business premises, an NSC Special Session was of the view that a Special Task Force is no longer needed. The RMP Operations Compliance Task Force under the Ministry of Home Affairs (KDN) will suffice.

Therefore, I hope all parties understand the division of duties and workforce that involves the ATM and RMP in carrying out their responsibilities for the safety of the people and well-being of the nation.

#### **Dining/Restaurant Premise Operations**

Previously, dining and restaurant premise operations were only allowed from 8:00am to 8:00pm. After taking into account the appeal and views of dining operators, the meeting has agreed to change the operational hours for premises selling food to begin at 6:00am to 10:00pm effective 28 June 2021.

#### National Recovery Plan Phase SOPs

In the first NRP phase, the MCO 3.0 general SOP is still applicable whereby all social and economic activities are not allowed to operate except for the essential sectors listed in the positive list issued by the National Security Council (NSC).

#### Phase Two

For phase two, the positive list of sectors allowed to operate will be expanded to include:

MANUFACTURING SECTOR		
Automotives (Vehicles	Ceramics	Furniture factories for
and Components)		export
Rubber	Iron & Steel	Cement

TRADE & DICTRIBUTION CECTOR			
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Book & stationery stores	Computers &	Electrical goods	
,	telecommunications	3	
Car wash outlets	Hairdressers (for basic haircut services only)		

Permission to operate is from 8:00am to 8:00pm.

Movements across districts and states are still not allowed except for the movement of schoolteachers and examination class students. Inter-state movement for long-



distance couples is allowed only for emergency and special cases with the approval of the RMP.

Restaurants, dining outlets, food stalls, food trucks, street vendors, mobile vendors, food courts, hawker centers, street stalls or kiosks will still operate **from 6:00am to 10:00pm.** 

In phase 2, farmer markets and morning markets are allowed to operate from **7:00am to 11:00am** and are limited to 6 commodities, namely vegetables, fruits, groceries, processed poultry, seafood and meat. However, weekly markets, night markets and *tamu* markets are still not allowed to open.

All individual and non-contact sports and recreational activities are allowed.

#### **Phase Three**

For phase 3, all economic activities are allowed to operate **EXCEPT** for high-risk activities and those in the negative list such as:

HIGH RISK SECTORS		
Spas		
Pedicure & Manicure Outlets	Pubs & Night Clubs	

Inter-district movement is allowed during phase 3 whereas inter-state movement is still not allowed.

Dining-in at restaurants is allowed, limited to 2 people per table, in compliance with physical distancing.

For public transportation such as taxis and e-hailing services including private vehicles, the total capacity is increased to 3 people including the driver.

Night markets, farmer markets, weekly markets and *tamu* markets are also allowed to operate in accordance with the current SOP at the time.

Beauty salons are also allowed to operate during phase 3 with strict compliance to the prescribed SOPs.

The opening of the education sector including schools, Public and Private Higher Education Institutions, Vocational Institutions and other educational institutions under the Ministry of Education (MOE), Ministry of Housing and Local Government (KPKT) and the Ministry of Rural Development (KPLB) and other agencies are subject to the MOE and Ministry of Higher Education (MOHE) Calendars as well as risk assessments at the time by the Ministry of Health, Malaysia (MOH).

Social activities are still not allowed during phase 3. However, flexibility is given to receive guests or visitors at the residence, limited to 10 people at any given time.



Tourist activities are allowed with the condition that it is conducted within the state. The opening of tourist attractions is still subject to risk assessments at the time and strict SOPs.

The creative industry is also allowed during phase 3, for example live events without spectators.

#### Phase Four

Phase four can be implemented when the number of COVID-19 cases is low, the public healthcare system is at a safe level and the vaccination program has achieved herd immunity level.

This final phase will enable us all to return to daily life norms whereby almost all sectors are fully allowed to open, subject to existing and prescribed SOPs.

This is a part of the positive and negative lists for each phase, while the SOP remains as announced and further, detailed information can be accessed through the NSC website (<a href="https://www.mkn.gov.my">https://www.mkn.gov.my</a>)

Practice a self "lockdown". Stay at home and practise a healthy lifestyle with your family within your residential compound.

Thank you.

#StaySafeStayHome #AmalkanKawalanKendiri

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