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To all News Editors.

PRESS STATEMENT FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

NUJ has received several reports about the latest ban on reporters issued by the Speaker of the Dewan Rakyat today.

NUJ believes it is a way to prevent journalists from obtaining direct access on information from Parliamentarians.

As long as journalists do not violate the rules of Parliament, the ban can be considered a crackdown on journalists from accessing any information worthy of news.

NUJ strongly condemns this ban which could clearly depict that Malaysia does not practice media freedom and most crucially it should not be happening with the Parliament which in the first place be a reflection to the symbol of democracy in the country.



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President NUJ Malaysia

21 Mac , 2017

Kepada semua Pengarang Berita

KENYATAAN MEDIA UNTUK EDARAN SEGERA

NUJ menerima laporan tentang larangan terbaru yang dikeluarkan Yang Dipertua Dewan Rakyat kepada wartawan hari ini.

NUJ berpendapat ia satu cara untuk menghalang tugas wartawan daripada bebas mendapatkan maklumat terus daripada ahli-ahli Parlimen.

Selagi wartawan tidak melanggar peraturan Parlimen, larangan tersebut boleh dianggap satu penindasan kepada tugas wartawan untuk mendapatkan berita yang diperlukan.

NUJ mengecam larangan seumpama ini yang boleh menunjukkan bahawa Malaysia tidak mengamalkan kebebasan media yang sepatutnya apatah lagi ia berlaku di Parlimen yang menjadi lambang demokrasi di negara ini.



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