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PRESS STATEMENT FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

NUJ Malaysia is deeply concerned about the safety issues in Parliament either for members of Parliament or media workers.

In response to the remarks made by the education minister yesterday concerning the safety issue, NUJ regrets over the incident that had happened to YB Maszlee last week in Parliament.

However, we do agree that safety for every individual is very much desired not only the politicians but also journalists who work at the same Parliament house.

In view of this unlikely incident that happened, NUJ believes it was just merely an accident.

However, we continually remind all our fraternity and members to pay attention to personal safety while obtaining news in any circumstances.

We also understand some safety precaution or safety measures should be implemented for everyone at the Parliament lobby and we hope such similar incident would not happen again.

As a professional journalist, it is his/her duty to gather vital government information and news sources during Parliament sessions and therefore NUJ hereby makes an appeal to the relevant authorities to take alternative safety measures such as providing a rostrum for the parliamentary member for the press conference and not to hinder journalists from approaching the politicians.

We trust the Parliament committee will look into this issue and solve it amicably as the media continually appreciate the good relationship they have with Pakatan Harapan government thus far.

On Behalf of the Executive Council,

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NUJ General Secretary