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ROAD TO ANTALYA: CLIMATE CHANGE FORUM 2026 AND SOFT LAUNCH MALAYSIA PAVILION AT COP31

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SALUTATION (TBD)

Thank you to the Master of Ceremony

Good afternoon

Salam Sejahtera

Salam Malaysia MADANI

Salam NRES Lestari

1. **His Excellency Dr. Nevzat Uyanık**
   Ambassador of the Republic of Türkiye to Malaysia

2. **Mr. Marcos Dementev Alves Filho**
   Representative of the Ambassador
   of the Federative Republic of Brazil to Malaysia

4. **Yang Berbahagia Datuk Noryahati binti Awang**
   Deputy Secretary General (Environmental Sustainability),
   Ministry of Natural Resources and Environmental Sustainability

5. **Yang Berusaha Mr. Saiful Adib Abdul Munaff**
   Group Chief Executive Officer, Malaysian Green Technology
   and Climate Change Corporation (MGTC)

6. **Representatives from the ministries, private sector, NGOs and our strategic partners**

7. **Esteemed moderator and speakers, Distinguished Guest, and Fellow Advocates for Climate Action**

8. Ladies and Gentlemen.

INTRODUCTION

1. As we come to the close of today's Road to Antalya: Climate Change Forum, allow me to extend my sincere appreciation and congratulations to the Ministry of Natural Resources and Environmental Sustainability (NRES), Malaysian Green Technology and Climate Change Corporation (MGTC), our strategic partners, speakers, panellists, moderators and the organising secretariat for bringing together such a meaningful programme.

2. Today's Forum has provided an important space for stakeholders to exchange perspectives, challenge ideas and explore practical approaches towards advancing climate action in Malaysia. More importantly, it has allowed us to consider how different sectors can contribute to the journey towards **COP31 in Antalya** and, beyond that, to Malaysia's longer-term climate agenda.

REFLECTIONS FROM TODAY'S DISCUSSIONS

3. Throughout the Forum, we have heard a range of perspectives from Government, industry, the financial sector, academia and other stakeholders. While the discussions have covered different areas, one message has been consistent: **climate action requires collaboration across the whole of society.** No single Ministry, agency or sector can address the scale and complexity of the climate challenge alone.

4. We have also heard that the transition towards a low-carbon and climate-resilient economy presents both challenges and opportunities. The challenge is to ensure that climate action is supported by the right policies, financing, technologies and capabilities.

5. At the same time, there are significant opportunities to strengthen innovation, attract investment, develop new industries and create solutions that can support Malaysia's economic development.

6. Another important message from today is the need to strengthen the connection between **policy and implementation**. Our climate commitments provide direction, but their value ultimately depends on how effectively they are translated into programmes, investments and actions on the ground. This requires stronger coordination, clearer partnerships and greater alignment between public policy and private sector initiatives.

7. Financing has also emerged as a critical enabler. The scale of investment required for climate action cannot be met through public resources alone. We therefore need to continue strengthening cooperation with financial institutions, investors and the private sector, while exploring innovative approaches that can mobilise greater climate investment.

8. At the same time, we must ensure that the transition remains **inclusive and just**. Climate action must take into account the needs of communities, workers, businesses and future generations. The

transition should create opportunities while ensuring that no segment of society is left behind.

9. This is where continued engagement with State Governments, local communities, youth, civil society and industry becomes particularly important.

Ladies and gentlemen,

10. As we move towards COP31, these discussions should not remain within the conference room. The real value of today's Forum lies in our ability to take these ideas forward, strengthen existing partnerships and develop new collaborations that can contribute to tangible outcomes.

FROM KUALA LUMPUR TO ANTALYA

11. Our journey to Antalya is therefore more than a preparation for an international conference. It is an opportunity to consolidate Malaysia's efforts at home, strengthen our partnerships abroad and ensure that the experiences and solutions emerging from Malaysia can contribute to the broader global climate conversation.

12. I also encourage all stakeholders to continue engaging through the **Malaysia Pavilion at COP31**. The Pavilion should reflect the collective efforts of Malaysia and provide opportunities to showcase our solutions, facilitate meaningful exchanges and build partnerships with international stakeholders.

13. Most importantly, the engagement should continue **beyond COP31**, so that connections established in Antalya can translate into continued cooperation and action at home.

CLOSING

Distinguished guests, ladies and gentlemen,

14. As we conclude today's Forum, I believe we leave with not only a clearer understanding of the challenges before us, but also a stronger appreciation of the opportunities that can emerge through collaboration.

15. Let us therefore take forward the ideas, perspectives and partnerships developed today. Let us strengthen the connection between **policy and action, ambition and implementation, and investment and impact.**

16. I would like to once again express my sincere appreciation to all our speakers, panellists, moderators, Government representatives, industry leaders, financial institutions, academia, civil society, youth and all participants for your valuable contributions.

17. The road to Antalya continues from here. Let us carry forward the spirit of collaboration demonstrated today and work together to ensure that Malaysia's participation at COP31 is grounded in **strong partnerships, practical solutions and meaningful action.**

18. With that, I officially conclude the **Road to Antalya: Climate Change Forum 2026**. May our collective efforts continue to strengthen Malaysia's climate resilience, advance sustainable development and contribute to a more sustainable future for generations to come.

Thank you.

Wabillahi taufiq wal hidayah, Wassalamualaikum warahmatullahi wabarakatuh.