STATEMENT ON 'UNDILAH ' VIDEO CLIP

Cyberjaya, 23 September 2011 - The Malaysian Communications and Multimedia Commission (MCMC) routinely carries out monitoring and enforcement activities pursuant to the Communications and Multimedia Act (CMA)1998.

In relation to this, it is normal practice for MCMC to direct the withdrawal of content that has not been granted the requisite approval from the Film Censorship Board to be aired.

In the case of the public service announcement (PSA) produced by musician Pete Teo, as a result of a routine compliance monitoring exercise made by MCMC, it was found that approval had yet to be obtained from the Film Censorship Board for the said PSA. As such, the PSA should not have been aired on television till approval is obtained.

Accordingly, pursuant to the Communications and Multimedia Act 1998, all broadcasters must cease airing the video clip immediately. The issue is one of compliance by the broadcasters rather than the content of the PSA.

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The primary role of MCMC is to implement and promote the Government's national policy objectives for the communications and multimedia sector. MCMC is also charged with
overseeing the new regulatory framework for the converging industries of telecommunications, broadcasting and on-line activities, in accordance with the national policy objectives set out in the Communications and Multimedia Act 1998 (CMA), as well as postal services and digital certifications. The CMA provides that MCMC undertakes a policy implementation role, while policy decision-making is vested with the Minister. The Minister may also give policy directions to the Commission.

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