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An Act to amend the Communications and Multimedia Act 1998.

[ ]

ENACTED by the Parliament of Malaysia as follows:

Short title and commencement

1. (1) This Act may be cited as the Communications and Multimedia (Amendment) Act 2026.

(2) This Act comes into operation on a date to be appointed by the Minister by notification in the *Gazette*.

Amendment of section 202

2. The Communications and Multimedia Act 1998 [*Act 588*] is amended in section 202—

(a) by inserting after subsection (1) the following subsection:

"(1A) Notwithstanding subsection (1), the Minister may direct the Commission to support a national universal service provision initiative relating to the usage of network services or applications services or both by encouraging the installation of network facilities and the provision of network services or applications services

or both for the preservation of national security where the determination of national security shall be made by the National Security Council in accordance with section 4 of the National Security Council Act 2016 [*Act 776*].

(1B) Any national universal service provision initiative under subsection (1A) shall be consistent with the objects of this Act."; and

(b) in subsection (2), by substituting for the words "subsection (1)" the words "subsections (1) and (1A)".