# SPEECH BY YB. DATUK SERI PANGLIMA MADIUS TANGAU, MINISTER OF SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND INNOVATION AT CYBERSECURITY MALAYSIA APPRECIATION DAY 2015 CEREMONY AT

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## <Salutations to be updated >

Yang Berbahagia Dato' Sri Dr. Noorul Ainur binti Mohd. Nur, Secretary General, Ministry of Science, Technology and Innovation (MOSTI)

Yang Berbahagia General Tan Sri Dato' Seri Panglima Mohd Azumi Bin Mohamed (Retired), Chairman of Board of Directors, CyberSecurity Malaysia

Yang Berusaha Dr. Amirudin Abdul Wahab, Chief Executive Officer of CyberSecurity Malaysia

Members of the Media.

Distinguished Guests,

Ladies and Gentlemen

Salam Sejahtera dan Salam 1 Malaysia.

- It gives me great pleasure to be here with you all on this occasion, the CyberSecurity Malaysia Appreciation Day 2015.
- My sincere thanks to CyberSecurity Malaysia, an agency under MOSTI for organising this wonderful event to honour the media and organisations certified by CyberSecurity Malaysia in the year 2015.

Distinguished Guests, Ladies and Gentlemen,

- 3. According to the recent **Norton's Cybersecurity Insights Report**, one in three Malaysian internet users have personally experienced cybercrime in the past year.
- 4. It further reiterated that 56 percent of consumers in Malaysia believed it was "more likely to have their credit card information stolen after shopping online rather than out of their wallets" and "more than six in 10 (or 59 percent) of Malaysians believe using public Wi-Fi is riskier than using a public restroom."
- 5. With an average of 10,000 cases reported each year on various cybercrimes, Cyber Security Malaysia plays an enormous role to keep our businesses, citizens and public services safe.
- 6. We understand that ICT is the key strategic area to propel the country's future. In other words, the New Economy which is about the future of all our industrial sectors, to a large extent will be driven by the Digital Economy!
- 7. The growth of the ICT industry will, in turn, drive the demand for robust digital infrastructure, fundamental to improving the country's global competitiveness.
- 8. Improved cyber security imperative not only good for the government but also good for Malaysian business. It is a definite

- necessity to maintain trust and confidence in Malaysia's online security to attract businesses and investors.
- 9. Therefore it imperative that we protect the security of our ICT infrastructure to ensure that all Malaysians can be confident that the Government is indeed doing all it can to protect the country from cyber threats or cybercrimes.
- 10. Looking at the macro perspective, the Eleventh Malaysia plan has identified cyber security as one of the technology focus areas, which has high potential to drive our country towards knowledge-based economy.
- 11. The development of cyber security industry will allow our nation to be competitive, move from a technology consumer to a technology producer, as well as creating job opportunities.
- 12. To achieve this, coordination and prioritisation of cyber security R&D activities will be advanced to spur the development and commercialisation of cyber security related products and services.
- 13. I need to reiterate here that securing cyberspace is a strategic challenge, which needs to be pursued in a comprehensive manner.
- 14. It must be driven by an integrated R&D framework, focusing on technology development as well as a coordinated and focused effort from all stakeholders.

- 15. To further illustrate to what I am trying to say here, let's look at the recent China Development Forum. It was really interesting to hear what to internet giant have to say at the forum.
- 16. When the question was poste to Jack Ma of Alibaba.com, what will be his advice to young people who want to start their own business. Ma simply said: "Don't do it for money, do it for solutions".
- 17. So my warning to the 'grantpreneurs' your days a numbered. The government will only assist genuine technoprenuers with solid business plan which can contribute extensively to the future prosperity of our nation.
- 18. At the same time, I would like to urge all players in the cyber security ecosystem to collaborate and work together to build a safe, secure and resilient cyner ecosystem in Malaysia.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

- 19. Since today's event is also about appreciation for CyberSecurity Malaysia's certified client, allow me to touch on this aspect as well.
- 20. CyberSecurity Malaysia certifies all Critical National Information Infrastructure (CNII) in accordance with Information Security Management System ISO/IEC 27001 standard.
- 21. A total of 22 CNII organizations have been certified up until the 31<sup>st</sup> of December 2015.

- 22. As for **My Common Criteria (MyCC) Scheme**, CyberSecurity Malaysia conducts certification of local products and services in compliance with the Common Criteria Recognition Arrangement (CCRA).
- 23. Furthermore, Malaysia has been formally recognised internationally as a 'Common Criteria Certificate Authorising Participant' by CCRA. This recognition increases Malaysia's competitiveness in quality assurance of information security based on the Common Criteria (CC) ISO/IEC 15408 standard and builds consumers' confidence towards Malaysian information security products.
- 24. And I was made to understand, up to December 2015, a total of 48 products have been certified.
- 25. In addition, the Government of Malaysia has also appointed CyberSecurity Malaysia as the operator and certifier of **Malaysia**Trustmark for Private Sector.
- 26. Since the launched of this service in 2013, a total of 75 websites have been assessed and 20 of those were qualified for Malaysia Trustmark certificate.
- 27. On that note, I wish to congratulate CyberSecurity Malaysia for the job well done in ensuring a safer and trusted ICT eco-system in Malaysia, in which I believe would also contributed in creating a conducive business environment for domestic and foreign direct investments.

### Ladies and Gentlemen,

- 28. As I draw to a close, I would like to take this opportunity to thank the media for their support to create awareness about cyber security issues and also helping Cybersecurity Malaysia in projecting its image as a trusted organization in cyber security.
- 29. I am happy to note that in 2015, the media gave us almost 1,000 coverage, resulting in approximately RM15 million of Public Relations (PR) value. What's more important was the quality of reporting and value of the information provided to the public.
- 30. We highly appreciate the efforts rendered and the professionalism exemplified by Malaysian media who always strive for accurate and ethical reporting of news and current issues in science, technology and cyber security.

#### Ladies and Gentlemen,

- 31. Finally, I hope today's appreciation ceremony would somehow demonstrate how much we value your continuous support.
- 32. And congratulation also to the **16 organisations** certified by CyberSecurity Malaysia in 2015 under CSM27001, MyCC, and The Malaysia Trustmark.
- 33. With that, I would like to wish you all success, thank you for your presence, and hope you have a pleasant and an enjoyable afternoon.

Thank you.