



MEDIA STATEMENT

THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON COVID-19 VACCINE SUPPLY (JKJAV)

EU AND BELGIUM AMBASSADORS ASSURE FULFILMENT OF MALAYSIAN VACCINE SUPPLY AGREEMENTS

PUTRAJAYA, 2 FEBRUARY 2021 – The Special Committee on COVID-19 Vaccine Supply (JKJAV) takes note of the recent announcement of export controls by the European Union (EU) of the COVID-19 vaccines that are manufactured in the EU.

Today I held discussions with the EU Ambassador to Malaysia, HE Michalis Rokas and the Ambassador of the Kingdom of Belgium to Malaysia, HE Pascal H. Gregoire for further clarification regarding the status of these vaccine deliveries to Malaysia.

With regards to the Pfizer vaccine that is manufactured in Puurs, Belgium, the Belgian Ambassador has given his assurances that our Advanced Purchase Agreement with Pfizer will be fulfilled upon Pfizer applying for export authorisation and the vaccines will be delivered on schedule beginning this month.

The Government of Malaysia has therefore asked that Pfizer request approval for immediate export approval from the Government of Belgium. For the record, the first shipment of one million doses (coverage for

500,000) of the Pfizer vaccine will be used in Phase One of inoculation for frontliners and will be delivered in stages over the first quarter of this year.

With the assurances of both the EU and Belgian Ambassadors, the COVID-19 immunisation plan is expected to proceed according to plan. Both the EU and Belgian Embassies to Malaysia will be releasing statements regarding these supply assurances.

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