

6. There are a number of times in the short history of our country when emergency situations have arisen. In 1948, the communists launched their armed insurrection, and we are still faced with this problem. This was followed by the Indonesian confrontation, the constitutional crisis in Sarawak, the racial clashes in May 1969, and the political crisis in Kelantan. On all these occasions, we had situations which seriously threatened the peace and security of the country, and ordinary laws were inadequate to deal with them. Again the framers of the constitution