

CLOSING CEREMONY OF THE 26TH ASEAN SUMMIT

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Your Majesty,

Excellencies,

Ladies and Gentlemen,

1. It has been my pleasure to host all of you in Kuala Lumpur and Langkawi for the 26th ASEAN Summit. I believe we have had some very useful and positive discussions, and have made good headway in working together in order to make a People-Centred ASEAN a reality.
2. Coming to the close of our Summit Meetings, I would now like to table the following reports, for our notation:
 - i. Report of the Secretary-General of ASEAN on the Work of ASEAN
 - ii. Report of the APSC Council to the 26th ASEAN Summit
 - iii. Report of the AEC Council to the 26th ASEAN Summit
 - iv. Report of the ASCC Council to the 26th ASEAN Summit
 - v. Report of the Executive Director of the ASEAN Foundation
 - vi. ASEAN Business Advisory Council Report to ASEAN Leaders
3. They are so noted.
4. Next, I table before you the following three Declarations, for our adoption:
 - i. The Kuala Lumpur Declaration on a People-Oriented, People-Centred ASEAN;
 - ii. The Langkawi Declaration on the Global Movement of Moderates; and

iii. The Declaration on Institutionalising the Resilience of ASEAN and its Communities and Peoples to Disasters and Climate Change

5. They are so adopted. Thank you.

6. For your information, Malaysia will be issuing a Chairman's Statement on the 26th ASEAN Summit, as a general reflection of our talks and exchanges throughout the meetings.

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7. As a result of our extensive discussions today, it is clear we are making strong progress towards the establishment of the ASEAN Community by the end of the year. This is a very significant milestone in the history of our organisation, and we must ensure that every effort is expended in pursuit of that goal. The rewards for all our peoples, as we have discussed, are too great for us not to seize this opportunity wholeheartedly.

8. After hearing all that you have had to say, I feel certain that you share my conviction and it is our conviction that this is ASEAN's time, and that we will all act to make the most of our region's tremendous potential.

9. Thank you all very much for your presence here in Malaysia. I hope you have enjoyed your time here, and I look forward to welcoming all of you once again for the 27th ASEAN Summit in November.

10. I now conclude the 26th ASEAN Summit and wish you all a comfortable and safe journey home.

Thank you.

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