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YAB DATO' SRI ISMAIL SABRI YAAKOB PRIME MINISTER OF MALAYSIA AND H.E LEE HSIEN LOONG PRIME MINISTER OF THE REPUBLIC OF SINGAPORE

REOPENING OF THE LAND BORDER

Prime Minister of Malaysia YAB Dato' Sri Ismail Sabri Yaakob and Prime Minister of the Republic of Singapore H.E Lee Hsien Loong spoke on the phone on 24 March 2022.

The Prime Ministers recognise the good progress that both countries have made in vaccinating their respective populations and managing the COVID-19 pandemic, and note the progress made in resuming cross-border travel through the Vaccinated Travel Lanes (Air) and (Land).

As Singapore and Malaysia transition to living with COVID-19, both Prime Ministers have agreed that it is timely to further reopen the land border.

From 1 April 2022, for travel across the land border between Singapore and Malaysia, both countries will allow fully vaccinated travellers to enter without the need to undergo quarantine or testing, including pre-departure and on-arrival tests. This will apply to all categories of travellers and modes of transport via the land border. Dato' Sri Ismail Sabri Yaakob said "As Malaysia reopens our borders to international travellers starting 1 April 2022, we will achieve another significant milestone in facilitating cross border travel with our immediate neighbour, Singapore. Today's announcement reflects the long-standing relations and multifaceted cooperation, as well as strong people-to-people ties between the two countries. This will certainly contribute to the recovery efforts with positive impacts on the economies and livelihood of the peoples of both countries".

"Singapore and Malaysia enjoy deep, warm and multi-faceted relations, as well as strong people-to-people ties. Today's announcement is a significant milestone in our transition towards living with COVID-19. It reflects the strong collaboration both sides have enjoyed throughout the pandemic and will help both countries emerge stronger from this crisis," H.E Lee Hsien Loong said.

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