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MEDIA STATEMENT

1. **Malaysia's Section 301 Tariff related to Forced Labour set at 10% by the United States**

Following the Section 301 investigations related to forced labour on 60 economies, Malaysia is one the 17 economies that will be imposed a 10% tariff rate, with the other economies being imposed a 12.5% tariff rate. The United States Trade Representative (USTR) took into consideration Malaysia's commitments to implement and enforce laws prohibiting the importation of forced labour goods, as the basis for the tariff rate imposed on Malaysia. The 10% tariff will start from 12.01 am US time on 24 July 2026, immediately following the expiry of the temporary tariff imposed under Section 122 Trade Act 1974.

2. **Section 301 Tariff related to Excess Capacity**

Section 301 investigations related to excess capacity on 16 economies, including Malaysia, remains ongoing. Once the USTR determines the rate on excess capacity, MITI will update all relevant stakeholders accordingly. Meanwhile MITI will continue to engage with the United States.

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