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Bismillahirrahmanirrahim

Assalamualaikum Warahmatullahi Wabarakatuh.

Mengadap Raja Muda Perlis, Duli Yang Teramat Mulia Tuanku Syed Faizuddin Putra Ibnu Tuanku Syed Sirajuddin Jamalullail merangkap Tuanku Canselor UniMAP serta Raja Puan Muda Perlis, Duli Yang Teramat Mulia Tuanku Hajjah Lailatul Shahreen Akashah Khaleel, merangkap Pro-Canselor UniMAP.

Terlebih dahulu patik bagi seluruh warga kerja Universiti Malaysia Perlis ingin menyembah takzim, merafak sembah, menjunjung kasih yang tidak terhingga di atas perkenan Tuanku berdua bercemar duli berangkat dan menyerikan **MAJLIS SAMBUTAN PERAYAAN TAHUN BARU CINA BERSAMA PELAJAR ANTARABANGSA UniMAP** pada malam ini.

Sesungguhnya kehadiran Duli Tuanku berdua ke majlis ini amat besar ertinya buat kami semua, ibarat kecil tapak tangan nyiru kami tadahkan. Kami warga UniMAP amat beruntung kerana dikurniakan Canselor dan Pro-Canselor berjiwa rakyat yang sanggup bercemar duli bersama-sama kami untuk meraikan Perayaan Tahun Baru Cina bersama pelajar-pelajar antarabangsa yang berada jauh dari keluarga masing-masing ini.

Lebih indah lagi, sambutan pada tahun ini dibuat pada malam tahun baru Cina, bertepatan dengan acara “makan besar” bagi semua masyarakat kaum Cina di Malaysia.

Ampun Tuanku, sembah Patik Mohon Diampun,

Patik mohon untuk menyampaikan ucapan kepada hadirin sekalian di dalam Bahasa Inggeris. Ampun Tuanku.

Yg Bhg. Prof Dr. Ismail Daut, Deputy Vice Chancellor (Research and Innovation),

UniMAP's Exco Committee, Deans, Head of Department, UniMAP's Staf and All International students.

Good Evening, Wan Shang Hao, Maalai Vanakam, Ma Sa An Khair.

Alhamdulillah, we are here tonight because we come together to celebrate a special occasion of the CHINESE people, the Chine New Year.

We all know that UniMAP is a melting pot of cultures of the various students coming from all over Asia, the Middle East and the world in general. UniMAP organizes activities in which students and teachers from all over the world can be UNITED as one FAMILY.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

Activities such as the INTERNATIONAL FOOD and CULTURE FESTIVAL, in which students and teachers from each countries can showcase their own food and culture, the BAKTISISWA programme in which students stay with local families to experience and to know how these local people live their lives and the celebration tonight - The CHINESE NEW YEAR celebration, are just some of the university's activities to promote inter-cultural understanding to the multi-racial students in our university.

It is only through these activities the students will come to understand the cultures of the people that are different from theirs.

Acquiring sensitivity and understanding of different cultures is very important because it will enable the university to create the atmosphere of peace, love and understanding among us. And UniMAP strengthens intercultural understanding and sensitivity through various activities. UniMAP is equipped with the mechanism which will ensure and promote respect and understanding of the cultural heritage of each and every individual student.

This profound and in-depth understanding and respect that UNIMAP provides to the students make these students come and love to study in UNIMAP. And I assure each and every foreign student and teachers from other nations that UNIMAP will always ensure you will get the respect and understanding you deserve.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

Now, I ask you to look to your right side. Look to your left side. Look in front of you. And look behind you. You can see different faces. And behind these faces are unique persons with distinct culture, values and understanding.

Yet we are at peace with one another and we enjoy one's companionship. This happens because we understand and respect each one culture. We create a peaceful world in spite

of our diversity. Together with our respect and understanding of our cultural differences, we promote international and global progress. And this is what UNITY IN DIVERSITY all about. It's our ability to live and interact peacefully and harmoniously without prior presumptions and prejudices about people of different cultural backgrounds.

As most of you here will agree, the main goal of education is to impart individuals with knowledge and skills so that they will become productive members of the society. Another goal of education is to inspire and to aid individuals to come up with their own vision of the future -- of what kind of society they would like to create for themselves, for their children, and for their country.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

For this coming year, I should like to call upon all UniMAP students to keep these two goals of education in mind. You are here to learn, to acquire knowledge. And what one thing you should all realize is that there are absolutely no shortcuts when it comes to learning – none, ZERO.

Your teachers and instructors are merely facilitators, they help you acquire knowledge; but the responsibility for learning still rests squarely upon your shoulders. Your job is to spend most

of your time reading your books, working on your assignments, performing the chapter exercises, conducting the laboratory experiments, and so on.

You should always take the initiative when it comes to learning. Use to the fullest the resources and the facilities that UniMAP provides for you. Learning should go beyond the classroom or laboratory. You can and should also try to learn and study while at your dorms, in the library, in the bus, and so on.

Focus is the key. Learning should become an intense passion for you. You must want to know. Without this desire to know--and to know more--then you will not really be able to learn much. So if you really want to become the best that you can be, the desire to know and to learn should come from within yourselves.

Finally, I am truly thankful for your presence for you opened our eyes to the fact that regardless of beliefs and traditions, our hearts beat as one as we pursue our goal of spreading peace, unity and understanding anywhere we are.

it is my wish that all the international students from China in particular, and international students from other parts of the world in general, will give full play to their wisdom and creativeness in the new year to fulfil your dream of having a better life for yourselves, you families, and your countries.

Gong Xi Fa cai

Xin Chun Kuai Le

Ampun Tuanku,

Sekian sahaja sembah ucapan patik. Akhir kata patik mewakili seluruh warga UniMAP ingin merafak sembah, menjunjung kasih yang tidak terhingga sekali lagi ke bawah Duli Tuanku berdua kerana sudi mencemar duli berangkat ke majlis ini.

Patik juga merakamkan penghargaan kepada semua tetamu yang turut memeriahkan majlis ini dan terima kasih kepada semua pihak yang membantu membuat persiapan untuk menjayakan majlis ini.

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