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Bismillahir-rahmanir-rahim

Assalamualaikum warahmatullahi wabarakatuh dan salam sejahtera.

Mengadap Duli Yang Maha Mulia Tuanku Syed Faizuddin Putra Ibni Tuanku Syed Sirajuddin Jamalullail, Tuanku Canselor KUKUM dan Duli Yang Teramat Mulia Tuanku Hajah Lailatul Shahreen Akashah, Raja Puan Muda Perlis.

Ampun Tuanku, sembah patik mohon diampun,

Patik dan seluruh warga Kolej Universiti Kejuruteraan Utara Malaysia merafak sembah, menjunjung kasih yang tidak terhingga, atas perkenan duli tuanku berdua mencemar duli berangkat ke majlis Malam Kebudayaan Dan Kesenian pada malam ini.

Limau Purut Jatuh Ke Lembah
Tiba Di Lembah Tumbuhlah Duri
Pinang Mengadap Sirih Menyembah
Jari Sepuluh Menjunjung Duli

Ampun tuanku,

Izinkan patik menyampaikan ucapan kepada barisan tetamu yang dimuliakan dan kakitangan yang diraikan di dalam bahasa Inggeris.

The Right Honourable Dato' Seri Shahidan Kassim, Menteri Besar Of Perlis And
Wife Datin Shamsiah Mohd Yassin

The honourable State Assemblymen,

The honourable Prof. Dr. Ali Yeon Md. Shakaff, KUKUM's Deputy Rector (Academic
and Internationalization),

The honourable Prof. Madya Dr. Zul Azhar Zahid Jamal, KUKUM's Deputy Rector (Research and Inovations),

Most Respected Guest

KUKUM's deans of school of engineering, and head of departments,

Our distinguished guest, a group of ICS students from Zurich, Switzerland.

Most respected members of the press, and to all KUKUM's staff.

First and foremost, grateful to Allah, praise to him, the most gracious and merciful for His blessings in giving us this memorable moment in conjunction with KUKUM Art & Cultural Nights.

On behalf of Kolej Universiti Kejuruteraan Utara Malaysia, I would like to extend our warm welcome or 'selamat datang' to our distinguished guest, ICS delegations from Zurich, Switzerland to this program.

I would also like to extend my sincere congratulation to the organising committee of this event for their superb organisation in making this special event a successful one.

Ladies and gentlemen,

Malaysia's cultural mosaic is marked by many different cultures, but several in particular have had especially lasting influence on the country. Chief among these is the ancient Malay culture, and the cultures of Malaysia's two most prominent trading partners throughout history--the Chinese, and the Indians. Although each of these cultures has vigorously maintained its traditions and community structures, they have also blended together to create contemporary Malaysia's uniquely diverse heritage.

Perhaps the easiest way to begin to understand the highly complex cultural interaction which is Malaysia is to look at the open door policy maintained during religious festivals. Although Malaysia's different cultural traditions are frequently maintained by seemingly self-contained ethnic communities, all of Malaysia's communities open their doors to members of other cultures during a religious festival likes Hari Raya Puasa, Chinese New Year, Deepavali, Wesak Day, Gawai Festival to

tourists as well as neighbors. Such inclusiveness is more than just a way to break down cultural barriers and foster understanding.

Ladies and gentleman,

Music and dance are almost inseparable in the Malaysian culture. Where there is one, the other is not far behind. True to Malaysia's heritage, dances vary widely and are, if not imports direct from the source nation, heavily influenced by one or more of Malaysia's cultural components. Much of Malaysian music and dance has evolved from more basic needs into the mesmerizing, complex art forms they are today.

Despite the diverse and multicultural make-up of Malaysia, there are many qualities which its people share as one, including friendliness; individuality; and a willingness to offer a smile or a helping hand. It has become a national character that binds all Malaysians. However, each ethnic community also retains its own way of doing things, as customs, traditions and beliefs influence their lives, from the way they eat and dress, to the way births and marriages are celebrated. Lastly before I end my speech, I hope this delegation will find pleasure tonight in experiencing the unique of Malaysian culture. Thank you.

Sekian sahaja ucapan patik. Akhir kata, patik sekali lagi mewakili seluruh warga KUKUM ingin merafak sembah, menjunjung kasih yang tidak terhingga kepada ke bawah Duli Tuanku kerana kesudian ke bawah Duli Tuanku untuk bertitah pada malam ini. Sekali lagi mewakili seluruh warga KUKUM ingin merafak sembah, menjunjung kasih yang tidak terhingga kepada ke bawah Duli Tuanku berdua kerana sudi bercemar Duli berangkat ke majlis pada malam ini.