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TO ALL NEWS EDITORS

**PRESS STATEMENT FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

The National Union of Journalists Peninsular Malaysia (NUJM) strongly supports Malaysiakini journalist B Nantha Kumar following his police report against an agent dealing with foreign workers, who allegedly attempted to bribe him.

The NUJM hopes that the police will conduct a thorough and transparent investigation into the matter and to hold the relevant parties accountable.

At the same time, the NUJM urges the MACC to thoroughly investigate the agent's activities and past record according to Nantha's police report rather than unfairly targeting a journalist who was merely carrying out his duty as an investigative journalist in the public interest.

We also call on the MACC to refrain from harassing or intimidating journalists, whose role is to report the truth without fear or favour. Press freedom must be upheld, and journalists must not be treated as criminals for exposing wrongdoing.

NUJM remains committed to defending the rights of journalists and ensuring a safe and fair environment for media practitioners in Malaysia.

On behalf of the NUJ Executive Committee,

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