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**PRESS RELEASE
MINISTER OF TRANSPORT**

**TOPIC: CHANGES TO PUBLIC TRANSPORT GUIDELINES
UNDER CONDITIONAL MCO**

As the Government begins the recovery process for the country by allowing economic sectors to reopen in stages, some public transportation guidelines will be eased starting Monday, 4th May to complement companies returning to operating in full and make it easier for employees to travel to work.

All public transportation will return to normal operating hours on 4th May 2020 as practised prior to the implementation of the MCO on 18 March 2020.

However, the Ministry wishes to stress and to remind all passengers and staff to continue to observe all health guidelines that are issued by the Ministry of Health from time to time as the movement control order continues to be in effect until otherwise announced by the National Security Council.

Under the conditional MCO announced by YAB Prime Minister on 1 May, more crowds are expected to gather at terminals, boarding stations, and stops. Public transport operators have been instructed to prevent any build up of crowds by implementing safe distancing methods, make hand sanitisers accessible and sanitise public toilets, seats, and handholds frequently.

Passengers on all public transportation are reminded to observe all safe distancing guidelines of at least 1 metre apart where possible. They must also adhere to any additional health regulation as dictated by private operators when on public transportation.

Passengers and employees alike are strongly encouraged to wear masks and use hand sanitisers before and after using public transportation. Use contactless ticketing methods whenever possible. Anyone with an elevated body temperature must refrain from using public transport and receive screening at the nearest health clinic. The Ministry and its agencies will continue to improve health screening at public transport stations in phases.

The above health guidelines are applicable as well to logistic workers. Cargo carriers such as hauliers and freight forwarders are encouraged to use rail services instead of road transport such as Inter Terminal Transfers as much as possible. Road vehicles such as lorries must be sanitised frequently and maintain safe distancing of drivers and other workers.

At this time, please note that cruise ships are not allowed to operate.

Please be reminded that the Covid-19 pandemic still poses a public health risk and the Ministry will continue to prioritise the health and safety of all public transportation users and employees across the nation. Only go out when it is necessary.

The Ministry would like to take this opportunity to wish all workers a Happy Labour Day 2020 and give thanks particularly to frontliners in healthcare and enforcement for their untiring sacrifice to bring the nation through the Covid-19 crisis safely.

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