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Bismillahirrahmanirrahim

Yang Berhormat Tuan Bakri Dato' Ali, representative for Menteri Besar of Perlis.

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All Vice Chancellors, Deputy Vice Chancellors from participating Universities, Senior Officers of UniMAP, UniMAP's deans of engineering schools, heads of departments, UniMAP staffs and students, IMT-GT Varsity Carnival Participants, Members of the Media, Sponsors, Ladies and Gentlemen.

Assalamualaikum Warahmatullahi Wabarakatuh, "Wan Aunt", "Sawadi" and a very pleasant night to all of you.

Alhamdulillah, sesungguhnya saya berasa amat bertuah dan beruntung kerana dapat bersama anda semua pada malam ini dan berucap sebagai wakil UniMAP yang merupakan "Host" the 11th IMT-GT Varsity Carnival pada tahun ini. Akhirnya ia terlaksana sudah dan kita kini berada di malam terakhir sebelum masing-masing kembali ke negara asal.

Finally we did it and I am delighted to know that this event has been fruitful and a success. Sesungguhnya, menjadi tuan rumah bagi satu acara sebegini merupakan pengalaman terbaru buat kami warga UniMAP. Sebagai universiti yang masih baru ditambah dengan prasarana yang belum mencukupi, ia ternyata memberikan satu cabaran untuk kami memberikan yang terbaik untuk kalian yang hadir pada malam ini.

Ladies and Gentleman,

Over the past five days, it has been heartening to know that all delegations including the Vice Chancellors, their Deputies, Deans and Deputy Deans and all the participants from the 10 universities were actively together and participated during sports activities, cultural performances, discussions and student seminar.

I truly appreciate, all the hard work and progress put in by the committee members and delegation. The carnival has brought success and satisfaction to many and I trust that all parties have gained an enjoyable and memorable experience.

Now, Please allow me to share my joy in hosting the 11th IMT-GT Varsity Carnival by highlighting some good points that have been made.

The utmost good point is the fair play spirits among the participants which have been high through out the games leaving no rooms for conflict or hurt feelings. There were not a single complain of bias or favoritism and the participants were truly supportive.

Another good point made is on the hospitality extended towards the VIP of the university where this time round, the transport for the VIPs are provided by the host. We also

provided a liaison officer for each VIP to ensure that the VIPs are comfortable and not lost.

Ladies and Gentleman,

This carnival has been organized for 10 years and I am pleased that this time round, we have come up with a theme song. The song is simple yet catchy. The next new move is the creation of IMT-GT Varsity Carnival mascot. I hope that the songs and the mascot could remained as official and continuously be used in the upcoming carnivals.

The next merit is on the cultural shows and performances that have been spectacular. I give my heartfelt congratulations to all individuals that have the contributed to the success.

As we are all aware , UniMAP is a distributed campus and there are a few constrains that governs the event. We, as the host has overcome this problem by making sure that the transport are ready to ferry all participants to the different venue.

As a hospitable host, we have provided food according to the guest country cuisine and we are happy to report that there has been no case of food poisoning.

Ladies and Gentleman,

Even though UniMAP sports team has not been reaping as many gold medals as we would like to have this year, we have made it to most quarter finals and semi-finals. We will be training and practicing so watch out for us in the next carnival. I take this opportunity to congratulate Universiti Sains Malaysia (USM) that has turn out as the overall champion of this carnival.

As for our weaknesses and complains received, we have taken note on those. I call upon my team not to repeat the mistakes when we become host the next time round.

Ladies and Gentleman,

I hope this kind of carnival will continuously reinforce our relationship and will bring more benefits to all of us. We all know, actions speak louder than words. So, as we walk away from this carnival with plans to meet again next year in Thaksin University, Thailand, we each have a responsibility in moving our agenda forward.

And as this year's 11th IMT-GT Varsity Carnival host, we would like to propose some fundamental thots in achieving healthy IMT-GT spirits in Culture, Sports and Seminars as Follow :

1. Peace
2. Sharing
3. Healthy Spirits
4. Respects
5. Creative Learning
6. Sustainability
7. Development
8. Growth
9. Complementary

We are not competing but compliment each other. Last But Not Least, we will unite the hearts and soul of The IMT-GT regions and their people with the words L.O.V.E → LOVE. Which is L stands for Long Live Learning, O for Objective, V for Value and E for Energy.

Once again, all delegates and the committee members here wish to express deep and sincere appreciation to all the participants for attending this 11th IMT-GT Varsity Carnival here in UniMAP Perlis, Malaysia. Hope to see all of you in Thailand next year and Thank You very much for being very supportive.

Wassalamualaikum Warahmatullahi Wabarakatuh