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MyCC WARNED NURSERY AND NANNY ASSOCIATION

KUALA LUMPUR, 4 August 2015 – Malaysia Competition Commission (MyCC) has warned Nursery and Nanny Association including their members in relations to fixing of scale fees collectively and refuses to independently determine their scale of fees. This is because fixing scale of fees contravenes Section 4 of Competition Act 2010 (CA 2010).

Section 4 of the CA 2010 prohibits enterprise to fix, directly or indirectly, a purchase or selling price or any other trading conditions for goods and service.

If an enterprise was found infringing the law, MyCC may impose a financial penalty up to 10% of the worldwide turnover for each enterprise over the period of the infringement, or impose any other direction that it considers appropriate.

Therefore, MyCC has ordered all Nursery and Nanny Association as well as their members all over Malaysia to dismantle their fixed scale fees immediately. MyCC Chairman, Tan Sri Dato' Seri Siti Norma Yaakob said, "This does not mean any nursery and nanny who wants to fix scale of fees **INDIVIDUALLY** either to increase or lower prices are free to do so. Price increases alone not an anticompetitive practice, but MyCC want to ensure they decide individually whether they want to increase or not based on their operating cost which may varies from one another."

Public are encouraged to report to MyCC if they have any information about professional body and / or trade association which involve in fee setting followed by their members without any basic legislation to do so.

For more information on the MyCC, please log on to <u>www.mycc.gov.my</u>

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About Malaysia Competition Commission (MyCC)

Established in June 2011, MyCC is an independent body responsible for enforcing the Competition Act 2010, which was implemented to create healthy competition which would in turn stimulate productivity and innovation, thus creating wider choices of products for consumers with better quality and reasonable prices.

The Act applies to all commercial activities undertaken within and outside Malaysia that affects competition in the Malaysian market. It provides a regulatory framework including powers to investigate, adjudicate and impose penalties on the perpetrators of the competition laws.

For more information on the Act and MyCC activities, log on to <u>www.mycc.gov.my</u>.