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MEDIA STATEMENT

ON THE CURRENT SITUATION OF COVID-19 IN BRUNEI DARUSSALAM

28 Jamadilawal 1442 / 12 January 2021

1. The Ministry of Health would like to announce that today, Tuesday, 28 Jamadilawal 1442H / 12 January 2021, **there is one (1) new case** of COVID-19 infection in the country, bringing the **total number of COVID-19 cases in Brunei Darussalam to 174 cases.**
 - Case 174 is a man aged 28 years old who arrived in Brunei Darussalam on BI4112 flight on 30 December 2020 from India. He showed no signs of infection and is currently being monitored and treated at the National Isolation Centre. The contact tracing for this case is still being conducted.

2. With the detection of the new case, a total of 18 active cases are being treated at the National Isolation Centre. One case that was admitted at the Intensive Care Unit for intensive monitoring and treatment has gradually recovered and is being treated at the medical ward in the National Isolation Centre. All the other patients are in stable condition.

3. Meanwhile, with the detection of the new case, a total of **33 import cases** have been confirmed since the last local infection case was reported on 6 May 2020, where, Brunei Darussalam has recorded **251 days** without COVID-19 local infection case.

4. Today, a total of **593 individuals** are undergoing mandatory self-isolation at the monitoring centers provided by the Government, which are individuals that have just arrived in this country after traveling from abroad. At present, a total of **11,096 individuals** have completed their mandatory self-isolation at the monitoring centers.

5. In the past 24 hours, a total of **235 samples** have been tested for the SARS-CoV-2 virus that brings the total number of laboratory tests conducted since January 2020 to **85,871 tests**.

6. The Ministry of Health would like to remind the public to practice their social responsibilities during this pandemic. In addition, the public is also advised to be equally responsible in safeguarding the safety of the people of Brunei Darussalam by ensuring that they do not violate the regulations and instructions that have been issued during the COVID-19 pandemic, including not crossing borders to neighbouring countries through illegal routes (*mouse trails*) or smuggling routes. Accordingly, individuals who have any information on travel or activities at the border through the routes mentioned above should inform the relevant Government agencies immediately.

7. Meanwhile, the Ministry of Health would also like to inform the public that the Ministry of Health will be conducting a

National Survey on public acceptance of the COVID-19 vaccine use from 15 to 28 January 2021. The survey will be open to the public aged 18 years and above through the BruHealth application on the date mentioned earlier. The results from this survey will be able to assist the Ministry of Health in planning the best method to implement the COVID-19 vaccination program in Brunei Darussalam. It will also help in ensuring that the vaccination program will run smoothly when it is commenced in a later date. Public participation in this survey is encouraged and the cooperation of the public is greatly appreciated. All responses will be considered confidential and will not affect the color of the BruHealth code of the participants.

8. For further information and latest updates, members of the public can visit the official website of the Ministry of Health at **www.moh.gov.bn** or by contacting the **Health Advice Line 148** or through the **BruHealth App**.

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