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YBhg Datuk Wan Suraya,

I am writing to extend my heartfelt congratulations on the recent approval of the Amendment Bill for the Audit Act, marking a significant milestone after 33 years. This monumental achievement is a testament to your dedication and unwavering commitment to strengthening our nation's governance framework.

The amendments introduced to the Audit Act are a crucial step forward, aimed at fortifying the act with new provisions that meet current requirements and expand the duties of the Auditor-General. One of the most notable features of the new provisions is the enhanced role it affords the Auditor-General's department. This comprehensive approach will undoubtedly lead to more accountable and transparent governance.

Furthermore, these amendments align seamlessly with the Madani government's ongoing efforts to improve national governance and public sector accountability. Empowering the Auditor-General's institution is a critical step in reinforcing the integrity and reliability of our public financial management systems.

Given that the last amendment to the Audit Act was in 1991, these updates are both timely and necessary to address the current needs of governance and auditing. By modernizing the act, we are better equipped to handle contemporary challenges and ensure that our audit processes are both effective and forward-looking.

Once again, congratulations on this significant achievement. Your leadership and vision have been instrumental in bringing about these essential changes. We look forward to witnessing the positive impact these amendments will have on our nation's governance and accountability.

Yours sincerely,

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