



MEDIA STATEMENT

23 February 2011

SPECIAL FRIDAY COLLECTION FOR SINGAPOREAN STUDENTS IN EGYPT

The Singaporean Students Welfare Association in Egypt (PERKEMAS) is raising funds to help needy students, studying in Azhar University and other tertiary religious institutions in Egypt affected by the recent unrest. This fund-raising is facilitated by mosques in Singapore.

2. Recently, over 190 Singaporean students who are pursuing their studies in Cairo and Alexandria had to make an unscheduled return to Singapore due to safety concerns following the protests and unrests in Egypt. Most of them had taken advantage of the assisted departure facilitated by MFA, Muis and PERKEMAS. PERKEMAS who looks after the affairs of the students in Egypt has raised their concerns that a good number of the students and their families would need financial assistance and had offered to fund raise to help these students.

3. Muis has given approval to PERKEMAS to fund raise through the donation boxes which will be placed at all 69 mosques on **Friday, 25 February 2011**. The boxes will be marked "**Special Collection for Singaporean Students in Egypt**". PERKEMAS, in assisting the students, will work together with Muis.

4. Those who wish to contribute to this special fund can also offer their donation in cash or by cheque. The cheque should be made payable to "**MUIS**" with the words "**Special Collection for Singaporean Students in Egypt**" written on its back. The cash and cheques can be delivered to Muis at the Singapore Islamic Hub (SIH), 273 Braddell Road Singapore 579702. Online donations can be made by going to the Muis website at www.muis.gov.sg. For further clarification, you may also contact Ms Nur Aisyah Arshad at 6359-1447 during office hours.

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