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Dear Honourable Najib Razak,

We the undersigned members and partners of IFEX – the global network defending freedom of expression – are seriously concerned by the escalating use and increased power of the Sedition Act (1948) in Malaysia over the past 12 months, including the nine counts of sedition against Zulkiflee 'Zunar' Anwar Haque.

We call on the Prime Minister of Malaysia, Dato' Sri Haji Mohammad Najib bin Tun Haji Abdul Razak to withdraw all charges against Zunar and all other persons charged with sedition, and to make a public statement reaffirming the pledge he made in his 2012 election campaign to abolish the Sedition Act (1948).

Signed,

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