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Dear Mr Alexander Ward,

**Serious threat to the independence of the Malaysian Bar**

Greetings from the Malaysian Bar.

1. Thank you for your statement: "Commonwealth Lawyers Association Supports Opposition to proposed changes to Malaysian Legal Profession Act" dated 22 July 2016.
2. Your strong statement of concern for the serious threat posed by the Government's proposed amendments to the Legal Profession Act 1976 ("LPA") – the Malaysian Bar's governing statute – to the independence of the Malaysian Bar is deeply appreciated.
3. We have published your statement on our Malaysian Bar website.
4. The support that the Commonwealth Lawyers Association has shown in our effort to uphold the independence of the Malaysian Bar is much appreciated and we hope to have your continued support.
5. Once again, thank you for your strong expression of solidarity with the Malaysian Bar.

Thank you.

Yours sincerely,

**Steven Thiru**  
President  
Malaysian Bar

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