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To Members of the Malaysian Bar

IDEAS is Looking for Volunteers to be Election Observers on Polling Day

The Institute for Democracy and Economic Affairs (“IDEAS”) is Malaysia’s first think-tank dedicated to promoting market-based solutions to public policy challenges. It is an independent not-for-profit organisation that works across the political spectrum to advance market-based principles.

IDEAS is part of a coalition of four organisations under PEMERHATI, a group that has been appointed and accredited by the Election Commission as observers for the upcoming General Election (“GE13”). PEMERHATI comprises:

- (1) Centre for Public Policy Studies (“CPPS”);
- (2) Institute for Democracy and Economic Affairs (“IDEAS”);
- (3) Malaysia Confederation of the Disabled (“MCD”); and
- (4) Merdeka Centre for Opinion Research (“Merdeka Centre”).

PEMERHATI will undertake the responsibility of observation during the GE13 with the support and assistance of volunteers.

IDEAS is looking for volunteers to be election observers on polling day and we encourage Members who are interested to contact PEMERHATI directly. Please note that the closing date to volunteer is **8 Mar 2013 (Friday)**, as PEMERHATI was only informed of its accreditation on 31 Jan 2013, and has been on a campaign since then to recruit volunteers.

More details on volunteering are available at <http://www.pemerhati.my/web/guest/pemerhati>. For more information about PEMERHATI, please visit <http://www.pemerhati.my/web/guest/laman-utama>.

Thank you.

**Lim Chee Wee
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