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To all Members of the Malaysian Bar

**Public Campaign to Amend Section 95 of the Law Reform (Marriage and Divorce)
Act 1976**

The Bar Council Family Law Committee has long advocated the amendment of section 95 of the Law Reform (Marriage and Divorce) Act 1976 ("1976 Act") to extend the legal obligation of parents to provide maintenance for their children even beyond the age of 18 years if they are still pursuing their studies.

We are mounting a public campaign to gather support from nongovernmental organisations and political parties for an amendment to section 95 of the 1976 Act, as well as to increase public awareness. Towards this end, Bar Council will be organising a press conference.

In order to highlight this issue, it would be useful if we had specific examples that we could refer to. We thus invite Members of the Bar to inform us of hardship suffered by their clients as a result of the current law. We would prefer to receive feedback in respect of clients who are prepared to have their identity made known. However, all feedback is welcomed and the client's identity will not be disclosed if he or she wishes to remain anonymous.

We make this appeal for the betterment of all non-Muslim children who are unable to pursue their education due to financial constraints. Kindly submit your feedback by fax to 03-2032 2043, or by email to sumitra@malaysianbar.org.my by **29 July 2011 (Friday)** in order to assist us in this campaign.

For further information or any enquiries, please do not hesitate to contact Sumitra Penasar by telephone at 03-2050 2093, or by email at sumitra@malaysianbar.org.my.

Thank you.

**Chew Swee Yoke
Chairperson
Subcommittee on the Amendment of Section 95 of the Law Reform
(Marriage and Divorce) Act 1976**