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# PRESS STATEMENT

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I take note of Penang Chief Minister YAB Lim Guan Eng statement today that he will be sending me a letter next week to apply for a 3rd Penang bridge.

Similarly, I thank YAB Lim for coming clean and confirming that the Federal Government has never rejected or made it difficult for the Penang Govt to receive approval in the past to build a third Penang Bridge and forcing the Penang government to build a tunnel instead.

I also take note that YAB Lim had admitted yesterday that he was not brave enough to request for such approvals in the past - despite the fact that by his own admission, a bridge would cost at least RM2 billion less than a tunnel.

As with any application or proposals for any construction projects, our Ministry will evaluate the request based on its merits and its long-term costs and benefits to the Rakyat.

Similarly, this may include our Ministry requesting the Penang Government to submit all relevant documentation related to their request - including the three project studies costing RM305 million, which I understand is complete or nearing completion, that the Penang Government had contracted for and have already substantially paid for.

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**Minister**

**Ministry of Works Malaysia**

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