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## **AN IMPROVED DEAL ON THE EAST COAST RAIL LINK (ECRL) PROJECT**

The Government of Malaysia welcomes the signing of a Supplementary Agreement (SA) between Malaysia Rail Link Sdn Bhd (MRL) and the China Communications Construction Company Ltd (CCCC), which will pave the way for the resumption of the East Coast Rail Link (ECRL) project.

The SA, which covers the Engineering, Procurement, Construction & Commissioning (EPCC) aspects of the ECRL, was achieved after months of negotiations between the companies involved as well as the Governments of Malaysia and the People's Republic of China.

We are pleased to announce that the construction cost for Phases 1 and 2 of the ECRL has now been reduced to RM44 billion, a reduction of RM21.5 billion, from its original cost of RM65.5 billion. This reduction will surely benefit Malaysia and lighten the burden on the country's financial position.

Further details of the improved deal will be provided during Monday's press conference.

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