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The CFM takes note of the decision of the Court of Appeal not to allow the Roman Catholic Archbishop of Kuala Lumpur's application to strike out the government's appeal against the 2009 judgment which allowed the Herald to use the "Allah" word.

We understand that the Court of Appeal has fixed 10 September 2013 to hear full submissions from the government and the intervenors as well as full submissions from the lawyers of the Herald.

In the meantime, we pray that this matter will not be politicised but that the Court of Appeal be allowed to fairly adjudicate over the matter.

With sincere intentions and in order that the public may better understand our position, we attach the CFM fact sheet on "When, Why and How Christians use the term 'Allah". It is our solemn hope that our factual perspective on the issue will prevail in the courts of our land.

Yours sincerely,

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Chairman and the Executive Committee,

The Christian Federation of Malaysia