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• When approaching visitor(s): 1) Smile 2) Greet the visitor(s) 3) Offer assistance

| APPROPRIATE | | INAPPROPRIATE | |
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| Greeting the Visitor | Offering Assistance | Greeting the Visitor | Offering Assistance |
| Good morning | How may I help you? | • Yo! | • What? |
| Good afternoon (12pm – 6pm) | How may I be of assistance? | • Hi! | What do you want? |
| Good evening (6pm-12 midnight) | May I help you? | What's up? | What is it? |
| Assalamualaikum | What can I do for you | • Hey! | What do you want me to do? |
| Hello | | • Oi! | What are you here for? |

• When asking about the visitor's appointment or offering to relay a message or requesting the visitor to wait

| Asking about appointment | Offering to relay a message | Requesting the visitor to wait/ take a seat |
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| Did you make an appointment with him? | Would you like to leave a message? | Madam Aini has a visitor at the moment. Would you like to |
| Would you like to schedule an appointment? | I can relay to him a message if you like | take a seat |
| Do you have an appointment with her? | I will be happy to inform Dr Razak of your | Dr Ali is on the phone right now. Please take a seat. |
| Would you like to make an appointment? | visit | Ms Chai will see you in five minutes. Please have a seat first. |

• When 'expected' visitors are waiting, you may engage in small talk with him/her. Some common expressions:

| Talking about the trip | Talking about the weather | Talking about accommodation/ the city |
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| How was your flight? | What was the traffic like on the highway? | Where are you staying while you are in Johor? |
| Did you have a good trip? | Do you like the sun here in Malaysia? | Have you had the time to visit downtown Johor |
| Do you like travelling in plane? | Were you caught in the terrible thunderstorm and | Bahru? |
| Did you fly or did you drive? | shower yesterday? | |