

## **PRESS STATEMENT**

### **NOMINATED MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT**

1 The Special Select Committee had invited the general public and functional groups to submit names of persons for its consideration for appointment as Nominated Members of Parliament (NMPs) on 2 November 2011. Submissions closed on 8 December 2011 and a total of 50 proposal forms were received. Apart from 3 invalid forms, the Committee considered all 47 eligible candidates in its assessment of suitable candidates for appointment as NMPs.

2 At the conclusion of its deliberations, the Special Select Committee nominated the following nine persons to the President to fill the NMP vacancies:

- (1) Mdm Faizah bte Haji Ahmad Jamal (Civic and People Sector)
- (2) Mr Nicholas Fang Kuo Wei (individual application)
- (3) Ms Janice Koh Yu-Mei (Media, Arts and Sports Organisations)
- (4) Mr Laurence Lien Tsung Chern (Social Service Organisations)
- (5) Ms Mary Liew Kiah Eng (Labour Movement)
- (6) Mr Ramasamy Dhinakaran (Professions)
- (7) Asst. Prof. Eugene Tan Kheng Boon (Tertiary Education Institutions)
- (8) Ms Carrie Tan Su Shan (Business and Industry)
- (9) Mr Teo Siong Seng (Business and Industry)

3 The Report of the Special Select Committee [Parl 1 of 2012] is attached. A list of the contact details of the persons nominated is also attached.

4. Speaker, the Chairman of the Committee said, “The Committee looked for eligible candidates who had distinguished themselves through public service or in their respective fields. We wanted NMPs who could bring their specialised knowledge and experience to add to the depth and breadth of the debates in Parliament. This will help Singapore as we address together key challenges ahead”.

5. Dr Ng Eng Hen, Leader of the House and a member of the Committee said ""The Committee had many high quality candidates from which to choose 9 NMPs. But our final slate was to ensure the widest representation possible, so that the varied interests and needs of different groups of Singaporeans would be heard in Parliament."

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#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

The President will be presenting the Instruments of Appointment to the NMPs at the Istana on Thursday, 9 February 2012. The NMPs will take their oath at the next sitting of Parliament on Tuesday, 14 February 2012.

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