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## SELECT COMMITTEE ON DELIBERATE ONLINE FALSEHOODS – CAUSES, CONSEQUENCES AND COUNTERMEASURES

## Select Committee's Invitation to HRW

The Select Committee on Deliberate Online Falsehoods has agreed to send the following invitation to Human Rights Watch (HRW) on 27 March 2018:

"We refer to our previous invitations for HRW to come and give oral evidence to the Select Committee on Deliberate Online Falsehoods, including evidence on your report "Kill the Chicken to Scare the Monkeys" – Suppression of Free Expression and Assembly in Singapore.

As the Chairman of the Select Committee announced on 23 March 2018, the Select Committee's invitation for HRW to give evidence remains open.

We note HRW's statement of 27 March, which suggests that HRW is now prepared to participate, and come forward to give evidence in the hearings.

Please confirm if this is the case. If so, please let us know when you would be prepared to attend (either in person, or through video conference). As has been announced, Parliament will be prorogued in April. We can hear you on any date in May, or after May, after Parliament reopens.

Please let us know your position by 29 March, 12 noon."

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Office of the Clerk of Parliament 27 March 2018