VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE THIRTEENTH PARLIAMENT OF SINGAPORE

First Session

THURSDAY, 1 MARCH 2018

No. 63 **10.00 am**

PRESENT:

Mr SPEAKER (Mr Tan Chuan-Jin (Marine Parade)).

Mr AMRIN AMIN (Sembawang), Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Home Affairs and Ministry of Health.

Mr ANG HIN KEE (Ang Mo Kio).

Mr ANG WEI NENG (Jurong).

Mr BAEY YAM KENG (Tampines), Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Culture, Community and Youth.

Miss CHERYL CHAN WEI LING (Fengshan).

Mr CHAN CHUN SING (Tanjong Pagar), Minister, Prime Minister's Office and Government Whip.

Mr CHEE HONG TAT (Bishan-Toa Payoh), Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Communications and Information and Ministry of Health.

Mr CHEN SHOW MAO (Aljunied).

Miss CHENG LI HUI (Tampines).

Dr CHIA SHI-LU (Tanjong Pagar).

Ms CHIA YONG YONG (Nominated Member).

Mr CHARLES CHONG (Punggol East), Deputy Speaker.

Mr CHONG KEE HIONG (Bishan-Toa Payoh).

Mr DESMOND CHOO (Tampines).

Mr THOMAS CHUA KEE SENG (Nominated Member).

Mr DARRYL DAVID (Ang Mo Kio).

Mr CHRISTOPHER DE SOUZA (Holland-Bukit Timah).

Assoc Prof FATIMAH LATEEF (Marine Parade).

Mr CEDRIC FOO CHEE KENG (Pioneer).

Ms FOO MEE HAR (West Coast).

Ms GRACE FU HAI YIEN (Yuhua), Minister for Culture, Community and Youth and Leader of the House.

Mr GAN KIM YONG (Chua Chu Kang), Minister for Health.

Mr GAN THIAM POH (Ang Mo Kio).

Mr GANESH RAJARAM (Nominated Member).

Mr GOH CHOK TONG (Marine Parade).

Assoc Prof DANIEL GOH PEI SIONG (Non-Constituency Member).

Mr HENG CHEE HOW (Jalan Besar), Senior Minister of State, Prime Minister's Office.

Mr HENG SWEE KEAT (Tampines), Minister for Finance.

Ms INDRANEE RAJAH (Tanjong Pagar), Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Law and Ministry of Finance.

Dr INTAN AZURA MOKHTAR (Ang Mo Kio).

Mr S ISWARAN (West Coast), Minister for Trade and Industry (Industry).

Dr JANIL PUTHUCHEARY (Pasir Ris-Punggol), Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Communications and Information and Ministry of Education.

Mr KHAW BOON WAN (Sembawang), Coordinating Minister for Infrastructure and Minister for Transport.

Dr AMY KHOR LEAN SUAN (Hong Kah North), Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Health and Ministry of the Environment and Water Resources.

Dr KOH POH KOON (Ang Mo Kio), Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Trade and Industry and Ministry of National Development.

Mr KOK HENG LEUN (Nominated Member).

Ms KUIK SHIAO-YIN (Nominated Member).

Mr KWEK HIAN CHUAN HENRY (Nee Soon).

Dr LAM PIN MIN (Sengkang West), Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Transport and Ministry of Health.

Er Dr LEE BEE WAH (Nee Soon).

Mr DESMOND LEE (Jurong), Minister for Social and Family Development and Second Minister for National Development and Deputy Leader of the House.

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Mr LEE HSIEN LOONG (Ang Mo Kio), Prime Minister.

Mr LEE YI SHYAN (East Coast).

Mr LIANG ENG HWA (Holland-Bukit Timah).

Mr LIM BIOW CHUAN (Mountbatten), Deputy Speaker.

Mr LIM HNG KIANG (West Coast), Minister for Trade and Industry (Trade).

Mr LIM SWEE SAY (East Coast), Minister for Manpower.

Ms SYLVIA LIM (Aljunied).

Dr LIM WEE KIAK (Sembawang).

Mr LOW THIA KHIANG (Aljunied).

Ms LOW YEN LING (Chua Chu Kang), Senior Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Trade and Industry and Ministry of Education.

Asst Prof MAHDEV MOHAN (Nominated Member).

Mr MASAGOS ZULKIFLI B M M (Tampines), Minister for the Environment and Water Resources.

Dr MOHAMAD MALIKI BIN OSMAN (East Coast), Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Defence and Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

Mr MUHAMAD FAISAL ABDUL MANAP (Aljunied).

Assoc Prof Dr MUHAMMAD FAISHAL IBRAHIM (Nee Soon), Senior Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Social and Family Development and Ministry of Education.

Mr MURALI PILLAI (Bukit Batok).

Dr LILY NEO (Jalan Besar).

Mr NG CHEE MENG (Pasir Ris-Punggol), Minister for Education (Schools) and Second Minister for Transport.

Dr NG ENG HEN (Bishan-Toa Payoh), Minister for Defence.

Mr LOUIS NG KOK KWANG (Nee Soon).

Mr ONG TENG KOON (Marsiling-Yew Tee).

Mr ONG YE KUNG (Sembawang), Minister for Education (Higher Education and Skills) and Second Minister for Defence.

Ms JOAN PEREIRA (Tanjong Pagar).

Mr LEON PERERA (Non-Constituency Member).

Ms DENISE PHUA LAY PENG (Jalan Besar).

Mr PNG ENG HUAT (Hougang).

Mr PRITAM SINGH (Aljunied).

Ms RAHAYU MAHZAM (Jurong).

Mr SAKTIANDI SUPAAT (Bishan-Toa Payoh).

Mr SEAH KIAN PENG (Marine Parade).

Mr K SHANMUGAM (Nee Soon), Minister for Home Affairs and Minister for Law.

Ms SIM ANN (Holland-Bukit Timah), Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Trade and Industry and Ministry of Culture, Community and Youth and Deputy Government Whip.

Mr SITOH YIH PIN (Potong Pasir).

Ms SUN XUELING (Pasir Ris-Punggol).

Mr DENNIS TAN LIP FONG (Non-Constituency Member).

Assoc Prof RANDOLPH TAN (Nominated Member).

Ms JESSICA TAN SOON NEO (East Coast).

Mr SAM TAN CHIN SIONG (Radin Mas), Minister of State, Prime Minister's Office, Ministry of Manpower and Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Deputy Government Whip.

Dr TAN WU MENG (Jurong).

Mr PATRICK TAY TECK GUAN (West Coast).

Mr TEO CHEE HEAN (Pasir Ris-Punggol), Deputy Prime Minister and Coordinating Minister for National Security.

Dr TEO HO PIN (Bukit Panjang).

Mrs JOSEPHINE TEO (Bishan-Toa Payoh), Minister, Prime Minister's Office, Second Minister for Manpower and Second Minister for Home Affairs.

Mr TEO SER LUCK (Pasir Ris-Punggol).

Ms K THANALETCHIMI (Nominated Member).

Mr THARMAN SHANMUGARATNAM (Jurong), Deputy Prime Minister and Coordinating Minister for Economic and Social Policies.

Ms TIN PEI LING (MacPherson).

Mr EDWIN TONG CHUN FAI (Marine Parade).

Mr VIKRAM NAIR (Sembawang).

Dr VIVIAN BALAKRISHNAN (Holland-Bukit Timah), Minister for Foreign Affairs.

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Mr LAWRENCE WONG (Marsiling-Yew Tee), Minister for National Development and Second Minister for Finance.

Assoc Prof Dr YAACOB IBRAHIM (Jalan Besar), Minister for Communications and Information and Minister-in-charge of Muslim Affairs.

Mr ALEX YAM ZIMING (Marsiling-Yew Tee).

Mr YEE CHIA HSING (Chua Chu Kang).

Mr MELVIN YONG YIK CHYE (Tanjong Pagar).

Mr ZAINAL SAPARI (Pasir Ris-Punggol).

Mr ZAQY MOHAMAD (Chua Chu Kang).

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Mr AZMOON AHMAD (Nominated Member).

- 1 6 Questions for Oral Answer were answered during Question Time.
- Budget Statement (Minister for Finance) (3rd Allotted Day) Question again proposed on resumption of Debate on Question (19 February 2018), "That Parliament approves the financial policy of the Government for the financial year 1st April 2018 to 31st March 2019.". – Debate resumed.

Abstention Nil

On Question put – a division was taken: Ayes 89, Noes 8, Abstention Nil.

Ayes Noes Amrin Amin Chen Show Mao Ang Hin Kee Goh Pei Siong, Daniel Ang Wei Neng Muhamad Faisal Abdul Manap Baey Yam Keng Lim, Sylvia Chan Wei Ling, Cheryl Perera, Leon Chan Chun Sing Png Eng Huat Chee Hong Tat Pritam Singh Cheng Li Hui Tan Lip Fong, Dennis Chia Shi-Lu Chia Yong Yong Chong, Charles Chong Kee Hiong Choo, Desmond Chua Kee Seng, Thomas Darryl David De Souza, Christopher Fatimah Lateef Foo Chee Keng, Cedric Foo Mee Har Fu Hai Yien, Grace Gan Kim Yong Gan Thiam Poh Ganesh Rajaram Goh Chok Tong Heng Chee How Heng Swee Keat Indranee Rajah Intan Azura Mokhtar Iswaran, S Janil Puthucheary Khaw Boon Wan Khor Lean Suan, Amy Koh Poh Koon Kok Heng Leun Kuik Shiao-Yin Kwek Hian Chuan, Henry Lam Pin Min Lee Bee Wah Lee, Desmond Lee Hsien Loong Lee Yi Shyan Liang Eng Hwa

Lim Biow Chuan

Ayes - continued

Lim Swee Say

Lim Wee Kiak

Low Yen Ling

Mahdev Mohan

Masagos Zulkifli B M M

Mohamad Maliki Osman

Muhammad Faishal Ibrahim

Murali Pillai

Neo, Lily

Ng Chee Meng

Ng Eng Hen

Ng Kok Kwang, Louis

Ong Teng Koon

Ong Ye Kung

Pereira, Joan

Phua Lay Peng, Denise

Rahayu Mahzam

Saktiandi Supaat

Seah Kian Peng

Shanmugam, K

Sim Ann

Sitoh Yih Pin

Sun Xueling

Tan Chin Siong, Sam

Tan Chuan-Jin

Tan, Randolph

Tan Soon Neo, Jessica

Tan Wu Meng

Tay Teck Guan, Patrick

Teo Chee Hean

Teo Ho Pin

Teo, Josephine

Teo Ser Luck

Thanaletchimi, K

Tharman Shanmugaratnam

Tin Pei Ling

Tong Chun Fai, Edwin

Vikram Nair

Vivian Balakrishnan

Wong, Lawrence

Yaacob Ibrahim

Yam Ziming, Alex

Yee Chia Hsing

Yong Yik Chye, Melvin

Zainal Sapari

Zaqy Mohamad

Resolved, "That Parliament approves the financial policy of the Government for the financial year 1st April 2018 to 31st March 2019.".

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3 Estimates for the financial year 1 April 2018 to 31 March 2019 (Paper Cmd. 13 of 2018) – Committee of Supply (1st Allotted Day) – Supply considered in the Committee:

(In the Committee)

Head U - Prime Minister's Office -

Amendment proposed, "That the total sum to be allocated for Head U of the Estimates be reduced by \$100.". – (Assoc Prof Fatimah Lateef).

Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

The sum of \$749,618,900 for Head U agreed to stand part of the Main Estimates.

The sum of \$186,585,400 for Head U agreed to stand part of the Development Estimates.

Head N - Ministry of Foreign Affairs -

Amendment proposed, "That the total sum to be allocated for Head N of the Estimates be reduced by 100.". – (Mr Vikram Nair).

Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

The sum of \$476,502,000 for Head N agreed to stand part of the Main Estimates.

The sum of \$26,000,000 for Head N agreed to stand part of the Development Estimates.

With the consent of Mr Deputy Speaker, Motion made, and Question put – Resolved, "That progress be reported now and leave be asked to sit again tomorrow.". – (Leader of the House).

Progress reported – (Leader of the House).

Committee to sit again Tomorrow.

4 Adjournment – (Leader of the House) – Resolved, "That Parliament do now adjourn.".

Adjourned at 7.58 pm

TAN CHUAN-JIN, Speaker

MEMORANDUM

Mr Speaker will take the Chair again at 10.00 am on Friday, 2 March 2018.