

PRESS RELEASE

PARLIAMENT OF SINGAPORE

FOURTH SPECIAL REPORT FROM THE COMMITTEE OF PRIVILEGES

The Committee of Privileges (the “**Committee**”) has presented a Fourth Special Report to Parliament today (14 December 2021).

2 The Fourth Special Report sets out the summary of the oral evidence that the Committee heard on 13 December 2021 from:

- i) Ms Sylvia Lim, Member of Parliament (MP) for Aljunied Group Representation Constituency (GRC); and
- ii) Assoc Prof Jamus Jerome Lim, MP for Sengkang GRC.

3 As with the previous Special Reports, the Committee discussed the contents of the Fourth Special Report with inputs and edits from members. During the vote, 5 members agreed on the presentation of the Fourth Special Report to Parliament and 1 objected (see Minutes of Proceedings in **Annex B** of the Fourth Special Report).

4 The summary of oral evidence given on 13 December 2021 is set out in **Annex A** of the Fourth Special Report.

5 The videos of the 13 December 2021 oral evidence, with sensitive information redacted, are available at: <https://www.parliament.gov.sg/parliamentary-business/committee-of-privileges---complaint-against-ms-raeesah-khan>

6 The Committee will hear further evidence if it sees fit, and will present its findings and recommendations to Parliament in due course.

Background

7 The Committee is considering the complaint made on 1 November 2021 by Leader of the House, Ms Indranee Rajah, against Ms Raeesah Khan, former MP for Sengkang GRC.

8 Under Standing Order 105(2), the Committee may, at any time during its proceedings, make a Special Report to Parliament on any matter which it may think fit to bring to the notice of Parliament. This keeps Parliament informed of the progress of its investigations in a timely manner when appropriate. The Committee will present its findings and recommendations to Parliament in due course.

9 The Parliament (Privileges, Immunities and Powers) Act regulates the conduct of Members of Parliament and other persons in connection with its proceedings, and can summon any person to appear before the Committee to give evidence at any time before the conclusion of its work.

10 In thoroughly looking into any matter pertaining to the complaint, the Committee will be reviewing the evidence and submissions put before it on an ongoing basis.

Details regarding meetings /hearings as well as potential witnesses will therefore remain fluid. Being a Select Committee, the Committee's meetings are held in private unless resolved otherwise.

Office of the Clerk of Parliament
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