PRESS STATEMENT FROM PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE

SENIOR MINISTER'S VISIT TO SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM, 26-28 NOVEMBER 1997 AND PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA, 29 NOVEMBER-11 DECEMBER 1997

The Senior Minister, Mr Lee Kuan Yew, will make a working visit to the Socialist Republic of Vietnam from 26 to 28 November 1997, and to the People's Republic of China from 29 November to 11 December 1997. Mr Lee will be accompanied by Mrs Lee, Members of Parliament Mr S Iswaran and Mrs Lim Hwee Hua (both for China only), and senior officials.

Mr Lee will meet Vietnamese leaders in Hanoi and Ho Chi Minh City. In Binh Duong Province, he will be briefed on the development of the Vietnam-Singapore Industrial Park.

In Beijing, Mr Lee will attend the Daimler-Benz International Advisory Board Meeting in Beijing and also meet Chinese leaders. Mr Lee will also visit Suzhou, Wuxi, Shanghai, Xiamen, and Guangzhou.

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