

PRESS RELEASE

The Gazette Notification of 22nd October prohibiting the importation, sale and circulation of all publications emanating from certain publishing houses in Hongkong and China, has the effect of making illegal the sale or circulation of publications from these publishing houses which have already been imported into Singapore.

Section 3(4) of the Undesirable Publications Ordinance provides that exceptions may be made by the Governor-in-Council.

Booksellers holding stocks of publications affected by the recent order may accordingly apply for exemption. All such applications should be addressed to the Controller of Undesirable Publications at the Government offices, Havelock Road, Singapore 1, and should state the title, author, publisher, edition, date of publication and number of copies held in stock. Applications will be dealt with as quickly as possible. Exemption will normally be given in respect of Chinese classics and medical, scientific and other academic textbooks which have not been edited or re-edited in order to serve as Communist propaganda.

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The above for release as agreed at today's meeting.

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