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Speech by Enche Buang bin Omar Junid,  
Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry  
of Social Affairs, at the Pugilistic  
Show at the National Theatre on 14.10.68.

It is a great pleasure for me to have been invited to witness the Pugilistic and Variety Show organised jointly by the Nanyang Siau Lim National Art Association and the Singapore Professional Artists Association.

2. I am told that the proceeds of tonight's Pugilistic and Variety Show will go to the Sports promotion fund. The fact that the response of the public to the Show has been so good is ample evidence that there is popular support to Government's aim of creating a rugged society through the avenue of sports in the Republic.

3. It is my hope that the example shown by the Nanyang Siau Lim National Art Association and the Singapore Professional Artists Association will be followed by other voluntary associations so that there will be adequate funds for the development of sports in Singapore.

4. With the expected completion of the multi-million dollar National Stadium in 1971, sports must be promoted in a more intensive scale if our future National Stadium is to be utilised by our sportsmen and sportswomen to the full.

5. I have no doubt that our young population will respond as willingly to the call not only to National Service but also to physical ruggedness for without it National Service we have will have little meaning.