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MINISTERIAL STATEMENT BY MINISTER FOR LAW
IN CONNECTION WITH THE INTRODUCTION OF THE
PARLIAMENTARY MEMBERSHIP BILL, 1984
AT THE SITTING OF PARLIAMENT ON 29TH JUNE 1984

THE PARLIAMENTARY MEMBERSHIP BILL, 1984

A White Paper on the Report of the Electoral Boundaries Delineation Committee has been presented to Parliament as Command 8 of 1984. The Government has decided to accept all the recommendations of the Committee. The Committee recommended that the boundaries of thirty-one constituencies be re-defined so as to have a more equal representation of electors for all constituencies.

2 The re-delineation will result in the elimination of the following three constituencies:-

- 1 Bukit Ho Swee
- 2 Havelock
- 3 Katong

The electorates of these three constituencies will be absorbed by the adjacent electoral divisions. As the total electorate for the next General Elections is expected to increase by 251,000 electors, the Committee recommended the creation of seven new constituencies, namely:-

- 1 Bo Wen
- 2 Pengshan
- 3 Hong Kah
- 4 Eunos
- 5 Changkat
- 6 Teck Ghee
- 7 Yuhua

3 The acceptance of the Committee's recommendations will increase the number of electoral divisions from sventy-five to seventy-nine. This increase will come into effect as from the next General Elections. It is, therefore, necessary to introduce the Parliamentary Membership Bill, 1984 to provide for the increase in the number of members to seventy-nine.
