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The Prime Minister has advised the President to
make the following appointments:-

Cabinet Ministers

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| Dr Goh Keng Swee | - 1st Deputy Prime Minister |
| Mr S Rajaratnam | - 2nd Deputy Prime Minister
(Foreign Affairs) |
| Mr Hon Sui Sen | - Minister for Finance |
| Mr Ong Pang Boon | - Minister for the Environment |
| Mr E W Barker | - Minister for Law and Minister
for Science & Technology |
| Mr Chua Sian Chin | - Minister for Home Affairs |
| Mr Ong Teng Cheong | - Minister for Communications
and Minister for Labour |
| Mr Howe Yoon Chong | - Minister of Defence |
| Mr Teh Cheang Wan | - Minister for National
Development |
| Mr Goh Chok Tong | - Minister for Trade &
Industry and Minister
for Health |
| Mr S Dhanabalan | - Minister for Foreign Affairs
and Minister for Culture |

Cabinet Ministers (cont'd)

Dr Tony Tan Keng Yam - Minister of Education
 Mr Lim Chee Onn - Minister without Portfolio
 Dr Ahmad Mattar - Acting Minister for Social
 Affairs

2 Dr Ahmad Mattar will be promoted to a Senior Minister of State, from Minister of State. He will act as the Minister for Social Affairs.

3 On 5 January 1981, Dr Toh Chin Chye, Mr Lim Kim San, Mr Jek Yeun Thong and Mr Othman b Wok relinquished their appointments as Ministers.

4 Other changes in the appointments of Ministers of State and Parliamentary Secretaries will be announced later.

5 The new Cabinet will be sworn in at a ceremony in the Istana on Tuesday, 6 January 1981, at 12.15 p.m.

6 By June 1981, Dr Tony Tan expects to have settled the main lines of policy of the National University of Singapore and Nanyang Technological Institute. He will then relinquish the portfolio of the Ministry of Education and become the Minister for Trade & Industry, and take charge of the budget for the fiscal year 1982/83. He will also continue to have charge of the National University of Singapore and Nanyang Technological Institute.

7 Dr Goh Keng Swee, as LDPM, will assume charge of Ministry of Education when Dr Tony Tan leaves the Ministry.

8 Mr Goh Chok Tong after relinquishing the portfolio of Trade & Industry to Dr Tony Tan will continue as Minister for Health and also work in the Ministry of Defence with Mr Howe Yoon Chong, as Second Minister of Defence.

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