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SPEECH BY TOH PUAN NOOR AISHAH AT THE OPENING OF  
THE SINGAPORE CHINESE WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION'S ART  
AND HANDICRAFT EXHIBITION AT THE VICTORIA MEMORIAL  
HALL ON FRIDAY, 14TH AUGUST, 1964, AT 11 AM.

First of all I wish to thank the organisers of this Exhibition for having invited me to its opening.

I understand that this Exhibition is organised to display the artistic work of members of the Chinese Women's Association. It is proof of the ability of our womenfolk to organise public functions. A good deal of time and leisure and expenses have gone into the preparation of this Exhibition. The organisers with their helpers have worked faithfully with great enthusiasm and keen interest. I congratulate them most heartily.

The Chinese Women's Association is active in the promotion of creative and cultural interests. It aims also at cultivating the spirit of harmonious co-operation, as well as stimulating the love of social service.

Half the proceeds of this Exhibition will be devoted to charity and the other half to the Building Fund of the Chinese Women's Association.

It is a great pleasure for me to be here today. You may be sure that there is something in the Exhibition to attract everyone. I therefore ask all of you to make as many purchases as your purse permits. In this way you will not only get the best value for your money but you will also be helping to maintain the activities of certain charitable institutions which are doing splendid work for the needy people in Singapore. The Chinese Women's Association hopes in due course to have their own headquarters. Their expanding activities are at present being hampered for lack of facilities.

And now, Ladies and Gentlement, may I wish this Exhibition all success, and with these words I declare it open. .

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