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SPEECH BY MR. CHAN CHEE SENG, PARLIAMENTARY SECRETARY (SOCIAL AFFAIRS) ON THE OCCASION OF THE PRESENTATION OF A CHEQUE OF \$5,000/-FROM THE CANADIAN HELL DRIVERS TO MR. CHAN RECEIVING ON BEHALF OF THE NATIONAL SAFETY FIRST COUNCIL OF SINGAPORE AT 11.30 A.M. ON FRIDAY, 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1966 AT THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL AFFAIRS CONFERENCE ROOM.

I am very happy to receive this donation of \$5,000 from the Canadian Hell Drivers who will be performing in Singapore soon. This donation is intended for the National Safety First Council of Singapore which is Singapore's newest major community service project.

This is the second cheque I am receiving this morning, the first one being a donation of \$6,000 from the Singapore Tobacco Company for the promotion of sports. This second cheque, which is also for a large amount comes from an organisation which is only passing through Singapore. This shows that the good example of our generous firms in Singapore is so infectious that even those passing through catch the philanthropic fever and start giving money for community service projects.

Perhaps it is difficult to associate hell driving with safety first. However I understand that the name itself is a stunt and the Canadian Hell Drivers are indeed interested in promoting skilful driving which is an essential of safety first. From what I hear, everywhere they have gone, they have given strong support to safety first promotion. Apart from this cheque they will be making a number of safety first films and the programmes which they offer will include safety first demonstrations.

It is therefore with great pleasure that I receive this contribution from the Canadian Hell Drivers which will be used to eliminate hell driving on the roads of Singapore.

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