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SPEECH BY THE MINISTER FOR LAW, MR. E. W. BARKER,
ON THE MOTION FOR THE RECLAMATION OF THE FORESHORE
FRONTING HAW PAR VILLA IN PARLIAMENT, ON THURSDAY,
7TH SEPTEMBER, 1967.

Mr. Speaker, Sir, I beg to move the motion standing in my name, namely -

"That this Parliament, in accordance with section 4 of the Foreshores Ordinance (Chapter 246), approves the reclamation by Government of that portion of the foreshore and sea-bed at Pasir Panjang containing an area of approximately 10½ acres as delineated on the plan marked 'LAND OFFICE RECLAMATION PLAN No.1/67' which is deposited in the Land Office, Singapore".

Mr. Speaker, Sir, several projects are under consideration for making Singapore a more attractive tourist centre. Tourism has vast untapped potentials which we are determined to exploit to the full. This reclamation, which involves an area of approximately 10½ acres of foreshore and sea-bed fronting Haw Par Villa, is part of a development scheme estimated to cost \$414,000. The reclaimed land, together with a small area of adjoining State land, will be developed to provide tourist amenities, such as nightclubs, restaurants and shops, and will be an embellishment to the already well-established and popular Haw Par Villa. It is envisaged that the development, when completed, will give a further boost to our rapidly growing tourist industry.

Sir, I beg to move.

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