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SPEECH BY THE AG. COMMISSIONER OF POLICE, MR. P. RAJARATNAM AT THE PASSING OUT PARADE ON WEDERSDAY, 13.11.68 AT 5.15 P.M. AT THE POLICE TRAINING SCHOOL

Today's Passing-Out Parade marks the conclusion of yet another successful basic training course for 136 Recruit Police Constables and 25 recruits from the Port of Singapore Authority Police. I congratulate all of you on the successful completion of your training and on a very smart turn-out. To all prize-winners I say "Well done".

A Policeman's career is both a challenging and a responsible one especially in a highly urbanised, progressive and rapidly industrialising society like ours. It is your task to maintain peace and order at all times and to discharge your duties firmly and courteously without fear or favour. To be effective Policeman you must at all times have a high sense of purpose and discipline in the performance of your duties. You must remember, however, that in the final analysis, your standard of policemanship is judged by the effective discharge of your duties, by the service you render to your fellow-men and by the manner in which you obtain the co-operation and assistance of the public.

I am sure that the training and discipline that you have received at this School will stand you in good stead in your chosen career. However, your education in practical policomanship is a life-long process. For it is in the hard school of experience that one's knowledge and learning is crystalised. You should therefore, keep abreast with the times by acquainting yourselves always with the latest information on police matters.

I hope all of you will uphold the fine traditions handed down to you and will live up to the expectations of the community of which you are an integral part. I wish you all every success for the future.

Finally, I thank all guests for their presence here this evening.