

STATEMENT FROM THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE

The Prime Minister has proposed to the President that the following appointments be made:

CABINET MINISTERS

Dr. Toh Chin Chye Senior Minister	-	Minister for Science & Technology
Dr. Goh Keng Swee Senior Minister	-	Minister of Defence
Mr. S. Rajaratnam Senior Minister	-	Minister for Foreign Affairs
Mr. Ong Pang Boon Senior Minister	-	Minister for Labour
Mr. Yong Nyuk Lin Senior Minister	-	Minister for Communications

Mr. Lim Kim San - Minister for The Environment

This Ministry will incorporate the Engineering Section of Public Health, and those departments in the Ministry of National Development connected with the prevention of pollution and cognate matters. Mr. Lim Kim San will remain Chairman of the Public Utilities Board.

Mr. Jek Yeun Thong - Minister for Culture

Inche Othman bin Wok - Minister for Social Affairs

Mr. E.W. Barker - Minister for Law and Home Affairs, and National Development

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Mr. Chua Sian Chin - Minister for Health

- Mr. Hon Sui Sen - Minister for Finance
- Dr. Lee Chiaw Meng - Minister for Education

Ministers of State

- Inche A. Rahim Ishak - Ministry of Foreign Affairs
Senior Minister of State
- Mr. K.C. Lee - Ministry of Foreign Affairs
Senior Minister of State
- Mr. Wee Toon Boon - Ministry of The Environment
- Tuan Haji Ya'acob b. Mohd. - Prime Minister's Office
- Mr. Sia Kah Hui - Ministry of Labour

- Dr. Ang Kok Peng - Ministry of Communications

- Mr. Chai Chong Yii - Ministry of Education, as from
1.12.72, when he can relinquish
his duties as Bursar, Nanyang
University, without disruption when
handing over to his
successor.

Parliamentary Secretaries

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| Mr. Chan Chee Seng | - | Senior Parliamentary Secretary to
the Minister for Social Affairs |
| Mr. Chor Yeok Eng | - | Senior Parliamentary Secretary to
the Minister for The Environment |
| Mr. Fong Sip Chee | - | Senior Parliamentary Secretary to
the Minister for Labour |
| Mr. Phua Bah Lee | - | Senior Parliamentary Secretary to
the Minister of Defence |
| Inche Sha'ari Tadin | - | Senior Parliamentary Secretary to
the Minister for Culture |
| Mr. Ho Cheng Choon | - | Parliamentary Secretary to the
Minister for National Development |
| Mr. Ong Soo Chuan | - | Parliamentary Secretary to the
Minister for Foreign Affairs |
| Mr. Lim Guan Hoo | - | Parliamentary Secretary to the
Minister for Communications |
| Inche Ahmad Mattar | - | Parliamentary Secretary to the
Minister for Education |

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Professor Wong Lin Ken has decided to go back to the Raffles Chair of History in the University of Singapore rather than take charge of another Ministry.

Mr. Tang See Chim has decided to go back to the Bar, rather than take up an appointment as Minister of State in another Ministry.

Mr. L.P. Rodrigo was appointed Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Home Affairs at the request of Professor Wong Lin Ken. As Professor Wong is now going back to the University, whether Mr. Rodrigo is reappointed Parliamentary Secretary to some other Minister will depend upon whether another Minister makes a request for his services.

Inche Ahmad Mattar will continue teaching and research at the University of Singapore. He will be paid only by the Government, as Parliamentary Secretary, and not by the University.

The Prime Minister has appointed Dr. Augustine H.H. Tan as Political Secretary, Prime Minister's Office. Dr. Tan will continue with his teaching as Associate Professor of Economics in the University of Singapore. He will be

paid only by the University. Dr. Tan's primary duties are to gather and marshal data on economic and financial matters for the Prime Minister's use.

The new Cabinet will be sworn in at the Istana at 8.20 p.m. tomorrow, 16th September. Mr. E.W. Barker, who was away at the Munich Olympics, will be sworn in when he returns next week.

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