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STATEMENT FROM PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE

MR YONG PUNG HOW:

APPOINTMENT AS JUDGE OF THE SUPREME COURT

In accordance with Article 95 of the Constitution, the Prime Minister, after consulting the Chief Justice, has advised the President to appoint Mr Yong Pung How to be a Judge of the Supreme Court with effect from 1 July 1989.

Mr Yong's resume is attached.

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MR YONG PUNG HOW

Mr Yong Pung How, 63, was educated at the Victoria Institution, Kuala Lumpur before reading law at Downing College, Cambridge, of which he was an Exhibitioner, and later an Associate Fellow. He graduated in 1949 as a Bachelor of Arts (Law Qualifying I: Class 1; Law Tropos I: Class 2, Division 2; Law Tropos II: Class 2, Division 1) and in 1950 as a Bachelor of Law (Class 2, Division 1). In 1970 he attended the Advanced Management Program at the Harvard Business School.

After being called to the English Bar by the Inner Temple in 1951, he was admitted an Advocate and Solicitor in Malaya in 1952, and in Singapore in 1964, and was in active practice as a senior partner with a major law firm until 1970.

During this period he also served in 1953 as the Arbitrator appointed by the Governor of Singapore to resolve the dispute between the Government and the General Clerical Services and Telecommunications workers; from 1955 to 1959 as Chairman of the Public Services Arbitration Tribunal in Malaya; and from 1959 to 1966 as a Chairman of the Industrial Court in Malaysia. He also served for several years as an external examiner in law at the National University of

Singapore, and in 1984 he delivered the Braddell Memorial Lecture in the Faculty of Law.

In 1971, he switched from law to finance and formed Singapore International Merchant Bankers Limited, one of the pioneer merchant banks in Singapore, of which he became Chairman and Managing Director. In 1977 he was appointed Vice-Chairman of the Oversea-Chinese Banking Corporation Limited. From 1981 to 1983 he was seconded by the Bank to the Government of Singapore as Managing Director of the newly formed Government of Singapore Investment Corporation, and later concurrently as Managing Director of the Monetary Authority of Singapore. In 1983 he returned to the Oversea-Chinese Banking Corporation as Chairman and Chief Executive Officer.

His major public service appointments have included servicing as Chairman of Malaysia-Singapore Airlines (1964 - 1969), Member of the Securities Industry Council, Singapore (1974 - 1981), and Board Member of the Mass Rapid Transit Corporation, Singapore (1980 - 1985).

He is presently Chairman of the Singapore Broadcasting Corporation, Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Institute of Policy Studies, Deputy Studies, Deputy Chairman of Singapore Press Holding Limited and Times Publishing Limited, Director of Temasek Holdings (Private) Limited, the Government of Singapore Investment Corporation Private Limited and the Singapore Symphonia Company Limited, and a Member of the Board of Commissioners of Currency, Singapore.

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