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SPEECH BY DR TAY ENG SOON, MINISTER OF STATE FOR EDUCATION AT THE NATIONAL DAY OBSERVANCE CEREMONY AT THE FRASER & NEAVE S'PORE PTE LTD AT 475 RIVER VALLEY ROAD ON WEDNESDAY, 10 AUGUST 1988, AT 8.25 AM

I am very pleased to join you this morning in our National Day Observance.

Practice of National Day Observance goes back many years. To celebrate National Day and to remind us that all that we have, our homes, our jobs, our schools, all depend on our having a stable and prosperous nation.

Political stability is the key. Without it, where will be confidence? Where will be the investors? Jobs, our standard of living, our children's future will be at risk.

Political stability depends above all on a good and stable Parliament. The Government is formed from Members of Parliament. It will only be as good as the people we elect to Parliament - no more, no less.

This may be election year. Please vote with great care and judgement. Examine every candidate and discard those of poor character. Otherwise, they will ruin your housing estate when they have to run the Town Councils.

May I close by wishing each one of you a happy and prosperous year ahead.