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PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION, 2005

CERTIFICATE OF ELIGIBILITY

All persons who desire to be a candidate at the Presidential Election must apply for a Certificate of Eligibility from the Presidential Elections Committee. Applications may be made at any time from tomorrow but will close on the 3rd day after the Writ of Election is issued. Application forms can be obtained from the Secretary of the Presidential Elections Committee, Elections Department, 11 Prinsep Link, Singapore 187949, as follows:-

(a) Weekdays - 9.00 am to 5.00 pm
 (b) Saturdays - 9.00 am to 1.00 pm

The office of the Secretary will be closed on Sundays and Public Holidays.

- 2 The Certificate of Eligibility will state that for the purposes of the Presidential Election:-
 - (a) the Presidential Elections Committee is satisfied that the applicant is a person of integrity, good character and reputation; and
 - (b) where the applicant desires to contest the election by virtue of being qualified under Article 19 (2) (g) (iv) of the Constitution of the Republic of Singapore, that the Committee is of the opinion that the applicant, having held office for a period of not less than 3 years in such position of seniority and responsibility in an organisation or department in the public or private sector comparable to those in Article 19 (2) (g) (i), (ii) or (iii), has such experience and ability in administering and managing the financial affairs so as to enable him to carry out effectively the functions and duties of the office of President.

MEMBERS OF THE PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS COMMITTEE

- 3 The members of the Presidential Elections Committee are:-
 - (a) Dr Andrew Chew Chairman Chairman of the Public Service Commission
 - (b) Mr Lim Siong Guan Member
 Chairman of the Accounting and
 Corporate Regulatory Authority
 - (c) Mr H R Hochstadt Member
 A member of the Presidential Council
 for Minority Rights nominated by the
 Chairman of that Council pursuant to
 Article 18 (2) (c) of the Constitution

Mr Lim Hup Seng, Deputy Secretary (Administration) of the Ministry of Defence, is the Secretary of the Committee.

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