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DESTRUCTION OF BALLOT PAPERS AND OTHER DOCUMENTS USED IN HOUGANG BY-ELECTION 2012

In accordance with Section 49(9) of the Parliamentary Elections Act (Chapter 218), ballot papers and other documents used in the election shall be sealed and retained in safe custody for a period of 6 months, after which they shall be destroyed unless otherwise directed by order of the President. This is to ensure secrecy of the vote.

All sealed boxes containing ballot papers and other documents used in the Hougang By-Election on 26 May 2012 will be transported from the Supreme Court, where they have been retained in safe custody, to the Tuas South Incineration Plant on 1 December 2012 for destruction by incineration.

Candidates who wish to witness the proceedings are requested to inform the Elections Department by 30 November 2012, 12.00 noon.

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