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Written Reply to Parliamentary Question on whether the Government has studied the impact on the voting rights of Singaporeans arising from scams involving changes of NRIC-registered addresses

Question:

Ms Sylvia Sim: To ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance whether the Government has studied the impact on the voting rights of Singaporeans arising from scams involving changes of NRIC-registered addresses.

Written Reply by Mr Chan Chun Sing, Minister for Education (for the Prime Minister):

The Elections Department (ELD) draws data, including residential addresses, from the Immigration and Checkpoints Authority (ICA) to compile the Registers of Electors. Each Register, compiled by electoral division, sets out the list of voters for that electoral division.

2 On 11 January 2025, the ICA reported that there were unauthorised attempts to change residential addresses registered with ICA. ICA has since reached out to all affected individuals to verify their correct residential address and rectify this in ICA's system.

3 As announced on 22 January 2025, the Prime Minister has directed that the Registers be updated based on the prescribed date of 1 February 2025. When the revision is completed, they will be open for public inspection for two weeks. During this inspection period, a person may submit a claim to update his particulars, including his National Registration Identity Card address, in the Register if his particulars are inaccurate. In addition, all year round, Singaporeans may check their voting status and particulars in the Registers via "My Profile" on their Singpass App and via Voter Services on ELD's website. Those who are unable to do so electronically may visit any Community Centre or Club and ServiceSG centres or ELD's office for assistance.

4 I strongly encourage every voter to check their voting status and particulars when the revised Registers are open for public inspection. ELD will issue a press release ahead of the opening of the Registers. If they observe any inaccuracies, they should inform ELD during the inspection period to ensure that their particulars are accurately reflected in the Registers.