

## **Media Release**

## Alternate Authority for the Minister for Education Instructs POFMA Office to Issue Correction Directions

**Singapore – 2 July 2020:** The Alternate Authority for the Minister for Education has instructed POFMA Office to issue a Correction Direction<sup>1</sup> each to 'Peoples Voice Political Party' Facebook page, and Mr Lim Tean's YouTube channel "Tean Lim".

- This is with regard to a Facebook 'live' video posted by Peoples Voice Political Party Facebook page on 1 July, which contained a falsehood regarding Government expenditure on foreign students. The same video was posted on the YouTube channel "Tean Lim". Mr Lim Tean was previously issued a Correction Direction on 16 Dec 2019 for false statements on the same topic.
- For facts of the case, please refer to the Factually article, "Correction and clarifications regarding a falsehood and misleading statement in Peoples Voice Political Party's Facebook Video on 1 July 2020" (http://www.gov.sg/article/factually020720a).

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## About the POFMA Office

The POFMA Office, situated within the Infocomm Media Development Authority (IMDA), is responsible for the administration of the Protection from Online Falsehoods and Manipulation Act (POFMA). For more information about POFMA Office, visit <a href="https://www.pofmaoffice.gov.sg">www.pofmaoffice.gov.sg</a>.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> A Correction Direction is a Direction issued to a person who has communicated a falsehood (i.e. the recipient) that affects the public interest. It requires the recipient to publish a correction notice, providing access to the correct facts. The Direction does not require the recipient to take down their post or make edits to their content, and does not impose criminal sanctions.