ISSUANCE OF CORRECTION DIRECTION AND TARGETED CORRECTION DIRECTION UNDER THE PROTECTION FROM ONLINE FALSEHOODS AND MANIPULATION ACT 2019 TO ANDREW LOH AND TIKTOK RESPECTIVELY

The Minister in the Prime Minister's Office and Leader of the House has instructed the Protection from Online Falsehoods and Manipulation Act (POFMA) Office to issue a Correction Direction to "Andrew Loh" in relation to Loh's Facebook post dated 18 July 2023 ("the Facebook Post") and a Targeted Correction Direction¹ to TikTok in relation to a TikTok post by TikTok user "jansenng1" (which reproduced the Facebook Post). Loh will be required to insert a correction notice on top of his post, stating that the post contains a false statement of fact with a link to the Government's clarification, so that readers can read both the original post and the facts, and decide what is the truth. TikTok will also be required to place a similar correction notice to the TikTok post by "jansenng1".

2. The Facebook Post contained a false statement of fact that a Committee of Privileges was convened to look into Mr Pritam Singh's alleged non-disclosure of his knowledge of Ms Raeesah Khan's lies.

3. By reproducing the Facebook Post on TikTok, "jansenng1" has propagated the false statement of fact.

4. For the correct facts of the matter, please refer to the Factually article "Correction regarding a false statement of fact in a Facebook post by Andrew Loh and a TikTok post by user "jansenng1"" at <u>https://www.gov.sg/article/factually210723</u>.

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¹ A Targeted Correction Direction is a direction issued to an Internet Intermediary ("II") whose service was used to communicate a falsehood that affects the public interest. The direction requires the II to communicate a correction notice by means of its service to all users in Singapore who access the falsehood through its service. This is so that users who see the falsehood on a platform also see the correction notice on that platform.