

**MINISTER FOR DIGITAL DEVELOPMENT AND INFORMATION INSTRUCTS
POFMA OFFICE TO ISSUE TARGETED CORRECTION DIRECTIONS TO META
PLATFORMS, INC. AND X CORP.**

Singapore, 4 September 2025 – Mr Sammy Obeid has failed to comply with the Correction Direction issued to him on 1 September 2025 regarding false statements made in his Facebook, Instagram, and X posts on 27 August 2025 (the “Original Posts”). The Original Posts had falsely claimed that:

- a. The Infocomm Media Development Authority (IMDA) required multiple rounds of edits to Mr Obeid’s material, including removing all references to Israel, Palestine, and the conflict in Gaza, but rejected his script even after he complied with all required removals; and
 - b. IMDA told Mr Obeid they were rejecting his Arts Entertainment Licence (AEL) application, inter alia, because they were wary that Mr Obeid may go off-script on stage.
2. The Correction Direction requires Mr Obeid to **carry correction notices** alongside the Original Posts. He does **not** have to remove the Original Posts. These notices would provide readers with a link to the Government’s clarification so they can read both versions and draw their own conclusions.
3. As Mr Obeid did not comply with the Correction Direction, the Minister for Digital Development and Information, Mrs Josephine Teo, has instructed the POFMA Office to issue Targeted Correction Directions¹ (“TCDs”) to Meta Platforms, Inc., and X Corp. The TCDs require Meta Platforms, Inc., and X Corp. to communicate a correction notice to all end-users in Singapore who had accessed, or will access, the Original Posts.
5. For the full facts of this case, please refer to the Factually article “Corrections regarding false statements by Sammy Obeid”. (<https://www.factually.gov.sg/corrections-and-clarifications/010925>).

¹ A Targeted Correction Direction is a direction issued to an Internet Intermediary (“II”) whose service was used to communicate a false statement of fact (“FSOF”). The direction requires the II to communicate a correction notice by means of its service to all users in Singapore who access the FSOF through its service. This is so that users who see the FSOF on a platform will also see the correction notice on that platform.

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