

PRESS RELEASE

CORRECTION DIRECTION AND TARGETED CORRECTION DIRECTIONS UNDER THE PROTECTION FROM ONLINE FALSEHOODS AND MANIPULATION ACT 2019 TO ADDRESS FALSEHOODS ON PUBLIC HOUSING POLICIES

The video posted by Dr Chee Soon Juan on his Facebook, Instagram and TikTok accounts on 17 February 2024 contains false and misleading statements regarding public housing policies.

2 The Minister for National Development has instructed the POFMA Office to issue a Correction Direction to Dr Chee and a Targeted Correction Direction to TikTok Pte. Ltd., in relation to these posts.

3 Dr Chee will be required to carry correction notices on his Instagram and Facebook accounts and create a new TikTok post containing a correction notice. These notices will state that the video posted on 17 February 2024 contains a false statement of fact and provide a link to the Government's clarification. This will allow viewers to consider both versions and draw their own conclusions. TikTok Pte. Ltd. will also be required to communicate a correction notice to all end-users in Singapore that had accessed the TikTok post.

4 For the facts of the case, please refer to the Factually article "Corrections regarding falsehood on building flats for multi-generational living." at <u>https://www.gov.sg/article/factually220224</u>).

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