

PRESS STATEMENT

ELECTION OF NON-CONSTITUENCY MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT IN GENERAL ELECTION 2020

The Parliamentary Elections Act (“Act”) states that, at any General Election, the number of Non-Constituency Members of Parliament (NCMPs) to be declared elected shall be 12 less the number of Opposition MPs elected. The NCMPs to be declared elected shall be determined from amongst the candidates of the Opposition parties contesting the General Election on the basis of the percentage of votes polled by such candidates. (Details are spelt out in Section 52 of the Act.)

2 As 10 Opposition MPs were elected to Parliament in the General Election 2020, two candidates who received the highest votes amongst the unelected candidates from the Opposition parties shall be declared elected as NCMPs.

3 The group of candidates from Progress Singapore Party who contested in the West Coast Group Representation Constituency received the highest percentage of votes amongst the unelected Opposition candidates. They are Mr Khoo Poh Tiong Jeffrey, Mr Leong Mun Wai, Mr N. Loganathan, Ms Hazel Poa and Mr Tan Cheng Bock. The Returning Officer wrote to the group on 13 July 2020 and asked the group to determine amongst themselves, by 20 July 2020, the two candidates to be declared elected as NCMPs. The group informed the Returning Officer on 14 July 2020 of their decision to nominate **Mr Leong Mun Wai and Ms Hazel Poa** as the ones to be declared elected as NCMPs.

4 Based on the above, in accordance with Section 52 of the Act, the Returning Officer has declared the following candidates as the candidates elected as NCMPs: **Mr Leong Mun Wai (Progress Singapore Party) and Ms Hazel Poa (Progress Singapore Party).**

**ISSUED BY
ELECTIONS DEPARTMENT
16 JULY 2020**