National Stadium Corporation Bill

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Explanatory Statement

Expenditure of Public Money

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Read the first time on 3rd August 1971.

An Act to establish a National Stadium Corporation and for purposes connected therewith.

Be it enacted by the President with the advice and consent of the Parliament of Singapore, as follows: —

Short title and commencement

1. This Act may be cited as the National Stadium Corporation Act, 1971, and shall come into operation on such date as the Minister may, by notification in the *Gazette*, appoint.

Interpretation

- 2. In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires
 - "Chairman" means the Chairman of the Corporation appointed under section 4 of this Act;
 - "Corporation" means the National Stadium Corporation established under section 3 of this Act;
 - "financial year" means a period of twelve months, beginning on the 1st day of April, except that the period between the date of the coming into operation of this Act and the 31st day of March in the year following, inclusive, shall be deemed to be part of the following year;

"Fund" means the National Stadium Fund established by section 15 of this Act;

- "member" means a member of the Corporation and includes the Chairman and the Deputy Chairman of the Corporation;
- "National Stadium" means the National Stadium Complex to be established in accordance with the objects of the Corporation as set out in section 5 of this

Act.

Establishment of the National Stadium Corporation

3.—(1) There shall be established in accordance with the provisions of this Act a body to be called the "National Stadium Corporation".

(2) The Corporation shall be a body corporate with perpetual succession and a common seal with power to acquire, hold or dispose of property, both movable and immovable, to enter into contracts, to sue and be sued in its corporate name and to perform such other acts as bodies corporate may by law perform.

Constitution of the Corporation

4.—(1) The Corporation shall consist of —

- (a) a Chairman;
- (b) a Deputy Chairman;
- (c) an Executive Secretary; and
- (*d*) five other members,

all of whom shall be appointed by the Minister on such conditions as he may determine.

(2) The members of the Corporation shall, unless their appointment is revoked by the Minister under the provisions of subsection (3) of this section or unless they resign during their period of office, hold office for a period of three years or for such shorter period as the Minister may in any case determine.

(3) The Minister may at any time revoke the appointment of any member of the Corporation.

(4) If a vacancy occurs in the membership of the Corporation by death, resignation, revocation of appointment under subsection (3) of this section or for any other cause, the Minister shall appoint a person to fill the vacancy and any person so appointed shall hold office for so long as the member in whose place he is appointed would have held office.

(5) If for any reason the Chairman is absent or unable to act or the office of the Chairman is vacant, the Deputy Chairman may exercise all or any of the powers conferred, or perform all or any of the duties imposed, on the Chairman under this Act.

(6) The quorum at all meetings of the Corporation shall be four of whom one shall be the Chairman or the Deputy Chairman.

(7) A decision of the majority of the members of the Corporation present and voting at a meeting of the Corporation shall be deemed to be a decision of the Corporation.

(8) The Chairman or the person lawfully acting as Chairman at any meeting of the Corporation shall have an original as well as a casting vote.

(9) Subject to the provisions of this Act, the Corporation may make standing orders to regulate its own procedure, and, in particular, the holding of meetings, the notice to be given of such meetings, the proceedings thereat, the keeping of minutes, and the custody, production and inspection of such minutes.

Objects of the Corporation

5. The objects of the Corporation shall be —

- (a) to prepare and execute the proposals, plans and projects for
 - (i) the erection, construction, conversion, improvement and extension of the buildings, grounds, stadiums and other amenities which shall be comprised in the National Stadium;
 - (ii) the installation, commissioning, setting up and maintenance of all equipment and all other related movable and immovable assets at the National Stadium;
- (b) to manage, control, supervise and operate the National Stadium; and
- (c) to maintain, upkeep and sustain the National Stadium and all other property of the Corporation.

Direction by the Minister

6.—(1) The Minister may give to the Corporation such directions, not inconsistent with the provisions of this Act, as he thinks fit as to the exercise and performance by the Corporation of its powers, functions and duties under this Act and the Corporation shall give effect to all such directions.

(2) The Corporation shall furnish the Minister with such information with respect to its property and activities as he may from time to time require.

Appointment of officers and servants

7.—(1) The Corporation may from time to time appoint and employ such officers and servants as may be necessary for the purposes of this Act and may from time to time dismiss them.

(2) All officers and servants of the Corporation shall be under the administrative control of the Corporation.

(3) The members of the Corporation and the employees thereof, of every description,