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# MISCELLANEOUS OFFENCES (PUBLIC ORDER AND NUISANCE) ACT (CHAPTER 184)

## MISCELLANEOUS OFFENCES (PUBLIC ORDER AND NUISANCE) (ASSEMBLIES AND PROCESSIONS) (AMENDMENT) RULES 2008

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 5(1) of the Miscellaneous Offences (Public Order and Nuisance) Act, the Minister for Home Affairs hereby makes the following Rules:

### Citation and commencement

**1.** These Rules may be cited as the Miscellaneous Offences (Public Order and Nuisance) (Assemblies and Processions) (Amendment) Rules 2008 and shall come into operation on 1st September 2008.

## Amendment of rule 2

**2.** Rule 2(2) of the Miscellaneous Offences (Public Order and Nuisance) (Assemblies and Processions) Rules (R 1) is amended —

(a) by deleting the word "and" at the end of sub-paragraph (eb); and

- (b) by deleting the full-stop at the end of sub-paragraph (f) and substituting a semi-colon, and by inserting immediately thereafter the following sub-paragraphs:
  - "(g) any assembly or procession held wholly within the area in Hong Lim Park known as the Speakers' Corner (more particularly delineated in the Schedule) where
    - (i) the promoter or promoters of the assembly or procession are all citizens of Singapore; and
    - (ii) the participants in the assembly or procession are all citizens or permanent residents of Singapore; and
  - (h) any assembly held wholly within a building and where
    - (i) the promoter or promoters of the assembly are all citizens of Singapore;
    - (ii) there are only citizens and permanent residents of Singapore participating in the assembly;
    - (iii) the promoter or promoters, or an authorised agent of the promoter or promoters, is present at all times during the assembly; and
    - (iv) the assembly does not deal with any matter
      - (A) which relates, directly or indirectly, to any religious belief or to religion generally; or
      - (B) which may cause feelings of enmity, hatred, ill-will or hostility between different racial or religious groups in Singapore.".

#### **New Schedule**