

MEDIA STATEMENT 6 AUGUST 2013

FOLLOWING APOLOGY BY CHEW PENG EE, AGC DISCONTINUES CONTEMPT OF COURT PROCEEDINGS

- 1. Following a request initiated by Counsel for Mr Leslie Chew, the Attorney-General's Chambers has today agreed not to pursue the contempt proceedings against him if the comic strips in question are taken down, with an apology and undertaking prominently posted on the Demon-cratic Singapore Facebook page. The offending comic strips have been taken down from the Demon-cratic Singapore Facebook page, and this afternoon, Mr Chew has given an apology and undertaking.
- 2. Through the apology and undertaking, Mr Chew has accepted that the comic strips in question scandalised the Judiciary of Singapore. He has undertaken that he would not repost these comic strips in any form or medium, nor in future put up any post or comic strip or do any other act that amounts to contempt of court.
- 3. In light of that apology and undertaking, as well as fact that the offending comic strips have been taken down, the Attorney-General's Chambers has determined that it is not necessary to continue the contempt proceedings.
- 4. All members of the public should note that the Attorney-General's Chambers will take firm action to protect the administration of justice in Singapore, and uphold the integrity of the Judiciary. Where appropriate, such action will include the commencement of proceedings for contempt.

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