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Professor Tan Chorh Chuan
Chairman, CPF Advisory Panel
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Dear *Chorh Chuan,*

The CPF is a fundamental pillar in Singapore's retirement support structure. It is important that it continues to serve the retirement needs of current and future generations of Singaporeans well, together with the other parts of our support structure for the elderly in areas such as healthcare and housing.

The recommendations of the CPF Advisory Panel offer balanced and constructive proposals on how we can make further improvements to the CPF system. I note that you have made the recommendations after having engaged and heard the views of Singaporeans.

I am pleased to accept the recommendations within Part One of the Panel's report on behalf of the Government. We agree with the Panel's view that there is a need to provide greater assurance to CPF members on the sums they must set aside in retirement. We also agree with the Panel's consideration that introducing greater flexibility and choice for CPF members in retirement must be balanced with the need to ensure the CPF system is able to provide adequately for their retirement over the longer term.

The Government will provide details on the CPF changes we will make in response to the recommendations in the Panel's report, and other measures such as the introduction of a Silver Support Scheme, at the Budget and Committee of Supply parliamentary debates later this month.

On behalf of the Government, I would like to thank you and the Panel members for the time and effort that you have put into this phase of the study. I look forward to Part Two of the Panel's report in the coming months.

Yours sincerely

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