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PROSECUTION AGAINST ACCUSED PERSONS FOR CHIN SWEE ROAD MURDER

The Attorney-General's Chambers ("AGC") will be proceeding on a murder charge against the biological father of the toddler whose remains were found in a Chin Swee Road flat in September 2019 ("the deceased").

2 Besides the murder charge, he also faces 13 other criminal charges, namely:

S/n	Offence	Maximum Penalty	Brief particulars
1	Section 5(1) punishable under s 5(5)(a) of the Children and Young Persons Act ("CYPA")	7 years' imprisonment and a fine of S\$20,000	For wilfully neglecting to provide the deceased with medical aid
3 4	Section 5(1) punishable under s 5(5)(b) of the CYPA read with s 124(4) of the Criminal Procedure Code	For each charge: 4 years' imprisonment and a fine of S\$4,000	For abusing three of his children (including the deceased) over a period of time ranging from 9 to 12 months
5	Section 204A read with s 34 of the Penal Code	7 years' imprisonment and a fine	For perverting the course of justice by disposing of, and concealing, the deceased's body

6	Section 182 of the Penal Code	A year's imprisonment and a fine of S\$5,000	For providing false information to a public servant as regards the deceased's whereabouts
7 8 9 10	Section 5(1) punishable under s 5(5)(b) of the CYPA	For each charge: 4 years' imprisonment and a fine of S\$4,000	For wilfully neglecting four of his children by leaving them without adult supervision, adequate food or water over the course of two days
11	Section 8(<i>b</i>)(ii) punishable under s 33A(1) of the Misuse of Drugs Act	7 years' imprisonment and 6 strokes of the cane	Repeat drug consumption (LT1)
12	Section 147 of the Penal Code	7 years' imprisonment and caning	Rioting
13	Reg 12(5) of the Misuse of Drugs (Approved Institutions and Treatment and Rehabilitation)	3 years' imprisonment and a fine of S\$5,000	Failing to return to an approved institution

- These charges will be stood down¹ pending the resolution of the murder charge.
- After reviewing the facts and evidence of the case, the AGC applied for a discharge not amounting to an acquittal² of the murder charge against the deceased's biological mother today. Her defence counsel objected to the application and sought a discharge amounting to an acquittal³ instead. The matter has been adjourned to 2 March 2021, with the defence counsel indicating that he will be making representations on this issue in the interim.

¹ A charge that is stood down is temporarily put on hold but which the Prosecution may revisit at a later stage to apply to proceed with, apply to take into consideration for sentencing, or withdraw.

³ A discharge amounting to an acquittal means that the individual will not be prosecuted for the same offence in the future.

² A discharge not amounting to an acquittal means that the individual may still be prosecuted for the same offence in the future.

5 The deceased's mother faces the following 12 charges:

S/n	Offence	Maximum Penalty	Brief particulars
1	Section 5(1) punishable under s 5(5)(a) of the CYPA	7 years' imprisonment and a fine of S\$20,000	For wilfully neglecting to provide the deceased with medical aid
3 4	Section 5(1) punishable under s 5(5)(b) of the CYPA read with s 124(4) of the Criminal Procedure Code	For each charge: 4 years' imprisonment and a fine of S\$4,000	For abusing three of her children (including the deceased) over a period of time ranging from 9 to 12 months
5	Section 204A read with s 34 of the Penal Code	7 years' imprisonment and a fine	For perverting the course of justice by disposing of, and concealing, the deceased's body
6 7 8	Section 182 of the Penal Code	A year's imprisonment and a fine of S\$5,000	For providing false information to public servants as regards the deceased
9 10 11 12	Section 5(1) punishable under s 5(5)(b) of the CYPA	For each charge: 4 years' imprisonment and a fine of S\$4,000	For wilfully neglecting four of her children by leaving them without adult supervision, adequate food or water over the course of two days

The AGC would like to remind the public and the media that a gag order has been issued by the Court, which restrains the publication of the name, address, photograph, any evidence or any other thing likely to lead to the identification of the deceased or the accused persons. The breach of a gag order is an offence punishable with up to 12 months' imprisonment. The public and the media are also advised to refrain from speculating or making any public comments on matters that may be *sub judice*, pending final determination by the courts.

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