

# **THE EURASIAN ASSOCIATION SINGAPORE**

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**ANNUAL REPORT 1993/1994**

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# ***notice and agenda***

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## **1. NOTICE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Annual General Meeting of the Eurasian Association, Singapore will be held at the Auditorium, the People's Association, Kallang, Singapore 1439, on Tuesday 29 March 1994 at 7:00 p.m.

## **2. AGENDA**

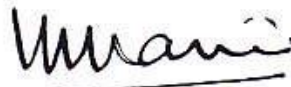
1. President's Address
2. To confirm the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on Wednesday 31 March 1993.
3. To receive and, if approved, adopt the Annual Report and Audited Accounts for the year ended 31 December 1993.
4. To review, and if deemed fit, adopt the attached proposed resolution to gain members approval to advance up to \$20,000 of the Association's funds to finance the tuition programme for 1994/1995.
5. To elect a President, Vice-President, Honorary Secretary, Honorary Treasurer, Assistant Honorary Secretary and five other members of the Management Committee.
6. To appoint an Honorary Auditor for the term 1994/1995.
7. To transact any other business brought forward in accordance with the rules of the Association.

### NOTE

1. The Annual Report includes the following:
  - a. Annex A: Financial Statement of the Eurasian Association.
  - b. Annex B: Financial Statement of the Endowment Fund.
  - c. Annex C: Minutes of the last Annual General Meeting.
  - d. Annex D: Resolution to gain members' approval to advance up to \$20,000 of the Association's funds to finance the tuition programmes for 1994/1995.
  - e. Nomination Form.

2. The Annual General Meeting is open only to registered members of the Association. Non-members should not attend.
3. Members are entitled to attend and vote in person only and not by proxy.
4. Nominations for Office Bearers and Committee Members must be received by the Committee at least 14 days before the Annual General Meeting and must be in the prescribed form as annexed hereto.
5. Registration and Ballot Procedures.
  - a. Each member shall produce his/her identity card to the relevant Registration Officer.
  - b. The Registration Officer shall check that the name of each person seeking admission to the Annual General Meeting appears on the Membership Roll.
  - c. Each member shall initial against his/her name in the Membership Roll.
  - d. Ballot entitlement slips shall then be issued to each Life Member and Ordinary Member by the persons appointed for this purpose by the Committee who shall keep a record of its issue.

BY ORDER OF THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE



**MR. MARTIN MARINI**  
Honorary Secretary  
The Eurasian Association, Singapore

Registered Office:  
Block B, Unit 5  
c/o People's Association, Kallang  
Singapore 1439.

14 February 1994

## ***president's message***

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A look at "The Year in Review" of this report will reveal that the 1993/1994 term has been a busy one for the Eurasian Association.

Our pilot tuition programme with SINDA for our children and the welfare and financial assistance programmes for the less privileged among our community, settled into a routine which was sustained throughout the year.

The study of Eurasian students' achievement in school shows that there is a need for tuition not only in Mathematics and Science, but more importantly in Malay and Mandarin. Students have started this year's classes with SINDA and in the following months, Malay and Mandarin tuition classes will be open to our children.

The study of the less privileged in the Eurasian community reveals that there is a clear need for welfare and financial assistance, especially for our aged. Welfare programmes are continuing with sixty-five people receiving support.

Our Youth Movement has done us proud. It has brought back the games which culminated in an exciting year-end sports meet with the Singapore Recreation Club (SRC). This was an excellent year-end sporting event which further enhanced the SRC-EA bond. The Youth Movement organised a Family Day and a Children Christmas Party / Family Day, in addition to a number of other activities including fund-raising. The EA Youth Movement Newsletter, another notable accomplishment, has kept EA Youth up to date with events.

We have found the funds to finance our programmes and activities and have added to EA's assets. This year, "sponsorship" was introduced so that those who could not afford would not be denied the pleasure of attending our activities. Fund-raising has been a major activity for the Management Committee and our appreciation and thanks must be placed on record to the many donors, generous well-wishers and EA members who have responded to our appeals. Through direct appeals \$106,000 was raised. Our first appeal for prizes for the Donation Draw in aid of the Endowment Fund brought in \$118,000 worth of prizes. Thus, \$224,000 was raised through direct appeals this year.

We have submitted a request to the government through BG (NS) George Yeo, the Minister who represents Eurasians in Cabinet, for the development of the Mountbatten Road premises. The development will enable the Association to carry out all its activities from one location in a cost-effective way.

There has been substantial progress made this term. It has been possible because of the commitment and contribution of many. The Management Committee, the Board of Trustees, the Selection Committee, the Legal Advisor and the Honorary Auditor and all the sub-committees have functioned as a team whose synergy has been the driving force of the Association. It is my privilege to thank each and every one of them and you, our members, for contributing towards this year's accomplishments.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "De Souza". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a small flourish at the end.

**LTC TIMOTHY J. DE SOUZA**  
President  
The Eurasian Association, Singapore



# ***annual report***

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The Management Committee is pleased to present the Annual Report of the Eurasian Association, Singapore (henceforth referred to as "The Association") for the period 31 March 1993 to 29 March 1994 and Statement of Income and Expenditure for the year ending 31 December 1993.

## **1. MANAGEMENT REPORT**

### **1.1 Management Committee**

At the Annual General Meeting of the Association held on 31 March 1993, at the Auditorium, Temasek Junior College, 22 Bedok South Road, Singapore 1646, the following members were elected into office :

President:	LTC Timothy de Souza
Vice-President:	Mr. Robert Scully
Honorary Secretary:	Mr. Martin Vincent Marini
Honorary Treasurer:	Mr. Randal Snodgrass
Assistant Honorary Secretary:	Mr. Paul Desker
Committee Members:	Mr. Bryan Davenport Mr. Harold Mathieu Mr. John Narfor Mrs. Ursula Quah Ms. Kathleen Woodford

### **1.2 Committee Meetings**

Eighteen Management Committee meetings were held up to the time of writing. These meetings were held at the Association Office or at the Conference Rooms of the People's Association, Kallang.

Sub-Committee meetings were held at the homes of the chairmen and members of the sub-committees as and when the need arose.

### **1.3 Special Meetings**

BG (NS) George Yeo, the Minister for Health and Minister for Information and the Arts assumed the responsibility for representing Eurasians in Cabinet in December 1992. A dinner was held on 17 June 1993 to enable the Minister to meet the Patron, Trustees, current Management Committee, Selection Committee and representatives of the sub-committees, as well as some members from past Management Committees.

Two meetings of the Board of Trustees and the Selection Committee of the Association's Endowment Fund were held during the term.

## **1.4 Administration**

All administration for the Association was carried out from its Secretariat.

The Association's post of Executive Secretary was filled by Mr. Vincent Gabriel until October 1993. An Office Manager's position was established in January 1994 with MAJ (Retd) Hugh Oliveira filling the post. The duties of the Office Manager encompass those of the Administrative Assistant which was advertised within the Association and publicly in October 1993.

Ms. Carla Barker (Life member) continued to advise the Association on legal and constitutional matters in her capacity as Legal Adviser.

## **1.5 Ex-Officio Members**

The President and Vice-President were ex-officio members of all projects and sub-committees.

## **2. THE FOUR FOCAL POINTS FOR 1993/1994**

At the 1993 Annual General Meeting, the President outlined four major items which the Management Committee would focus on in the new term. These items were the self-help group programmes for the community in educational advancement and welfare assistance, fund-raising, the development of the Youth Movement, and the search for Association premises. These four items are reported on below:

### **2.1 Community Self-Help Programmes**

#### **2.1.1 Educational Advancement Programmes**

The Education Sub-Committee was headed by Mrs. Ursula Quah (Committee member, Life member) who was assisted by Mr. Harold Mathieu (Committee member, Life member). Other members of the sub-committee were: Mrs. Judith Aul (Life member), Mr. Geoffrey Morris (Associate Life member), Mr. Edmund Rodrigues (Life member) and Mr. Lionel Zuzarte (Life member).

##### **a. Pilot Tuition Programme**

The scheme, begun as a pilot project with the Singapore Indian Development Association (SINDA) in February 1993, attracted 14 primary school and 12 secondary school pupils who pursued tuition classes in English, Mathematics and Science at SINDA's 18 tuition centres. Primary level classes covered Primaries 4, 5 & 6 while secondary levels chosen were for Secondaries 3 Express and Normal, 4 Express and Normal and 5 Normal.



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Five primary school and three secondary school pupils dropped out of their classes. One pupil was a truant, two could not work the tuition times into their schedule while the rest experienced co-ordination difficulties between lessons being taught in school and those being followed in the tuition classes. All those who completed the course found the programme beneficial.

SINDA has extended its tuition classes to Primary 3 and Secondaries 1 and 2 for 1994. A total of 21 Eurasian pupils enrolled for SINDA's classes in 1994, 12 in the primary section and nine in the secondary section. Lessons will commence in February 1994.

### b. Feedback Session with Eurasian Teachers

At the session conducted on 21 August 1993, 23 primary and secondary school teachers provided good feedback. Two recommendations among others were of special significance. The first was for tuition classes to be started for second language in Malay and Mandarin. The second was for Eurasian homes to be offered as study centres, on a voluntary basis, for Eurasian children needing suitable premises for study or revision in preparation for their 1993 school final examinations.

The sub-committee took up both recommendations. A pilot programme each in Malay and Mandarin will be started in February and March 1994 with the assistance of Mendaki and Chinese Development Assistance Council (CDAC) respectively. As for the second recommendation, a number of Eurasian families offered their homes as study centres for Eurasian pupils in November/December 1993 but no Eurasian students took up the offers.

### c. Membership on Joint Consultative Committee on Education

In July 1993, the Eurasian Association was invited to join the Joint Consultative Committee on Education (JCC(E)). This Committee is chaired by the Minister of State for Education and is the ultimate policy-making body on education issues of the self-help groups. The other self-help groups represented are Mendaki, CDAC, SINDA and AMP (Association of Muslim Professionals). The Association's representatives are LTC Timothy J. de Souza (life member) and Mr. Lionel Zuzarte (life member).

### d. Study on Academic Achievement of Eurasian Children in Singapore Schools

The report "Academic Achievement of Eurasian Children in Singapore Schools" compiled by Mrs. Ursula Guoh, Chairman Education Sub-Committee was an analysis of the achievement of Eurasian students, using data from the Ministry of Education. The findings confirm that in general, Eurasian students' achievement levels in the second language, in particular, lag behind substantially those of English, Mathematics and Science. The implementation of second language classes is therefore a priority for the Association.

e. Premature School Leavers Programme

Through the JCC(E), the Association will participate in the Premature School Leavers Programme and two workshops on counselling conducted by the Ministry of Education. One of the counselling workshops was conducted in December 1993 and was attended by five Association members who are teachers. They were provided with professional training in their role as counsellors. The second workshop on counselling has been scheduled for March 1994 and will involve the engagement of an external consultant.

f. Cooperation with Self-Help Groups

The Association developed an excellent working relationship with CDAC, SINDA and Mendaki during the 1993/1994 term. An atmosphere of inter-self help group spirit and cooperation has existed.

g. Tuition Classes in Chinese and Malay Languages

Classes in Mandarin will begin in February 1994. The Malay language pilot programme will be started in March 1994 with the help of Mendaki. It will be limited to 40 students. The programme is dependent on the number of Malay language teachers that are to be recruited.

h. Bursary and Merit Awards

Thirteen Bursary and Merit Awards were given to the following members and children of members of the Association for the academic year 1993:

UNIVERSITY

David Scott Arul  
Patricia Rose Rozario  
Edmund J. Kronenburg  
Samantha Santa Maria

POLYTECHNIC

Damian Jón Arul

JUNIOR COLLEGE

Christopher de Souza

SECONDARY

Shaun Gerard de Souza  
Jonathan Mark Capel  
Louisa Ann Meyer  
Rachel Goh

PRIMARY

Gillian Charmaine Meyer  
Michelle Georgina Goh  
Wilfred Wenceslaus Goh

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The Buddhist Lodge invited the Association to publicise their intention to award bursaries to children of Eurasian Association members. Six applications were received for the awards.

### **2.1.2 Welfare and Financial Assistance for the Less Privileged in the Eurasian Community**

The Welfare Task Force was headed by Mr. Bryan Davenport (Committee member, life member). Other members were: Mr. Stanley Ee; Mr. Ernest Marsh (life member), Mr. Hugh Oliveira (life member) and Mr. Allen Walters (life member).

#### **a. Programmes**

Since its inception the Welfare Task Force has been managed by dedicated Eurasian volunteers from within the community. Special mention is made of Mr. Ernest Marsh (life member), whose dedication spear-headed the initial programmes of the Welfare Task Force in 1993.

The following programmes are in operation :

- i. Assistance for isolated and elderly poor Eurasians, including the single aged.
- ii. Assistance for unemployed Eurasians, including training and rehabilitation.
- iii. Guidance for single parents in coping with day to day living.
- iv. Counselling for the Handicapped and Aged in Welfare Homes.
- v. Assistance in Job placement and retraining of skills under the National Productivity Board.
- vi. Hotline and crisis support services.
- vii. Medical assistance for elderly Eurasians at the following clinics:
  - Marine Clinic at Marine Parade, Singapore: Dr. Monica Tay.
  - Tay Medical Centre at Holland Close, Singapore: Dr. Tony Tay.

#### **b. Financial Assistance**

Financial assistance has been given to the elderly poor Eurasians living on their own and who have no other resources for help. Eighty cases have been processed and presently 65 "adoptees" are receiving grants from the Association. New cases have been referred to the Association by the Ministry of Community Development, Home Nursing Foundation, Health Ministry and The St. Vincent De Paul Society. The Association wishes to record its grateful appreciation for the generous donations made to the welfare fund.

The Welfare Task Force emphasizes that the existence of monetary Welfare Assisted Programmes will depend on the availability of funds and will be made available only to those who are in dire need. For those who are unemployed and have adult children, assistance will be temporary in nature. This is to ensure that the children do not abandon their aged parents and those who are unemployed endeavour to seek employment.

The Association has applied to the 25th Anniversary Fund for financial support of its welfare programmes.

c. Study on the Less Privileged in the Eurasian Community

In January 1993, the Association commissioned a study of the welfare problems of the Eurasian community. It received a detailed report compiled by Dr. Myrna L. Blake, Senior Lecturer, Department of Social Work & Psychology at the National University of Singapore entitled "The Less Privileged in the Eurasian Community". The report confirms that there is an urgent need for welfare assistance among the aged in the Eurasian community. The report will form the basis of the Welfare Task Force thrust for the introduction of further programmes. A recommendation in the report, which will be implemented in February 1994 is the employment of a full-time professional social worker who will run the welfare programmes. A trained social worker would be better equipped to handle the increasing number of welfare cases for the Welfare Task Force.

d. Need for more Volunteers

In order to realise the plans for 1994, the Welfare Task Force needs more donations and manpower. Volunteers are needed to assist in counselling and handling welfare cases and to organise social interaction among adoptees' families in the neighbourhood.

## 2.2 Fund-Raising

The main fund-raiser for the year was "The Extravaganza" held on 24 October 1993 to mark the first anniversary of the Eurasian Association Endowment Fund. Other events namely the Family Day on 1 August, the Christmas Treat / Family Day on 19 December and the New Year's Eve Ball on 31 December 1993 also helped to raise funds. These events raised \$106,000 and with the generous donations from well-wishers, provided the bulk of income to meet the year's expenses.

The "sponsorship" arrangement was introduced this year so that those who could not afford payment for a particular event would not be denied the pleasure of attending. This has caught on well and the number of sponsors was most encouraging.

The first appeal for the donation of prizes for the Eurasian Association Endowment Fund Donation Draw brought in \$118,000 in cash and kind. The second appeal was commenced in January 1994 and will end on 1 May 1994.

Fundraising activities this term brought in \$224,000.

## 2.3 Youth Movement Development

The Youth Movement was jointly chaired by three Co-opted members: CPT Keith Rodrigues (Life member), Mrs. Vanessa Westerhout-Lee (Life member) and Ms. Kisane Filmer (Life member). Other members included: Mr. Darrin Lee (Associate member),



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Ms. Karen Marsh (Life member), Mr. Scott Marsh (Life member), Ms. Michelle Sheares (Life member), Mrs. Claudine Rodrigues (Life member), Ms. Joy Rodrigues (Life member), Mr. Paul Rodrigues (Life member) and Ms. Dyan Zuzarte (Life member).

### **a. Objective**

The Movement's primary aim was to revive interest among the Eurasian youth in participating actively and contributing to the good of the community and the Association.

### **b. Weekly Games**

Weekly games began at Min Xin Primary School in May 1993. It brought Eurasian youth together to play soccer, softball and netball. The Youth Soccer Team was coached by Mr. Fredrick Fox.

### **c. Newsletter**

A bi-monthly newsletter was introduced in May 1993. It formed the basis through which the Movement publicised its activities, and provided interesting and informative reading for the young. In this term four issues of the newsletter have been distributed: May 1993, August 1993, October 1993, December 1993. A fifth issue will be distributed in February 1994.

### **d. Socials**

The Movement organised two gettogethers – the Family Day in August 1993 and the Christmas Treat / Family Day in December 1993. The latter included a youth disco party.

### **e. Fund-Raising**

A fund-raising Christmas Card Competition was organised. Five winning submissions were printed and sold prior to the Christmas season. The Movement's T-shirt sales is an ongoing fund-raising project.

### **f. Participation in National Youth Activities**

At the National level, Eurasian youth participated at the Mendaki Cross Cultural Seminar (January 1994) and the Ship for South East Asia Youth cruise (October 1993). The Association's representatives for these events were CPT Keith Rodrigues (Life member) and Mr. Scott Marsh (Life member). The Association has applied for Ms. Dyan Zuzarte (Life member) to attend the Youth Leadership Convention to be held in Quebec, Canada in May 1994. The movement also organised members' participation in the South East Asia Games Torch Relay in June 1993. Through the Association, three Eurasian youth attended the Outward Bound School 5-day familiarisation courses last year.

### **g. Funding for Youth Activities**

The Movement applied to the Youth Development Fund for funding of its activities in 1994.



## **2.4 Premises for the Association**

A subcommittee was formed to work on this project. It was headed by Mr. Randal Snodgrass (Honorary Treasurer, Life member). Other members of this sub-committee were: Mr. Bryan Davenport (Life member), Mr. Derrick Filmer (Life member), Mr. Geoffrey Morris (Associate Life member) and Mr. Benett Theseira (Life member).

In June 1993, the Association was offered 715/717, Mountbatten Road as temporary premises. It consists of two single storey bungalows on 50,000 square feet of land. The offer was accepted and after appropriate study, a proposal was raised to the Land Office for renovations to be done to the existing buildings and for the erection of a single storey building. A cost estimate was called for and will be put up to the Cabinet by BG (NS) George Yeo in mid February 1994.

## **3. SUB-COMMITTEES**

### **3.1 Endowment Fund**

The Eurasian Association Endowment Fund Board of Trustees consists of Mr. E.W. Barker (Chairman), Mr. Herman R. Hochstadt and Mr. Oscar J. Oliveira.

The Board of Trustees appointed Mr. Lawrence Da Silva as the fifth member of the Selection Committee of the Endowment Fund. The Selection Committee comprises Mr. Rudy Masbergen (Chairman), Mrs. Annabel Ess (Vice Chairman), Mr. Bryan Davenport (Secretary), Mr. Joseph Tessensohn (Member) and Mr. Lawrence Da Silva (Member).

Community self-help programmes supported by the Endowment Fund were the pilot SINDA-EA tuition programme and welfare assistance programmes. These programmes are reported on under item 2.1 "Community Self Help Programmes".

The interest from the Fund in 1993 financed the SINDA-EA tuition programme in part.

Donations to the Endowment Fund continued to come in. The major fund raising activity for this term was the appeal for prizes for the Donation Draw. The first appeal for prizes has brought in \$118,000 worth of prizes. A second appeal for prizes began in January 1994. Sale of tickets is scheduled to be launched in July 1994 with the Draw planned for December 1994.

The request for the implementation of the CPF Checkout scheme for the Eurasian Community will be made by BG (NS) George Yeo to Cabinet in mid February 1994.

### **3.2 Membership**

This subcommittee was headed by Mr. Paul Desker (Assistant Honorary Secretary, Ordinary member). Other members of this sub-committee were: Ms. Denise D'Almeida (Life member), Mr. Harold Desker (Life member), Mr. Denis Meyer (Ordinary member) and Mr. Geoffrey Morris (Associate Life member).

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## **3.2.1 Membership Status**

Membership breakdown as of 14 February 1994 was :

	1992	1993
Life	947	1022
Ordinary	262	237
Associate Life	-	34
Associate	107	78
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Three applications for membership were suspended as the cheque payments were not honoured by their respective banks. Four Ordinary members and six Associate members resigned.

## **3.2.2 Subscriptions**

The sub-committee collected \$7,110 in subscriptions for 1993. This included lapsed subscriptions. Though time-consuming, reminders in the EA NEWS, personal letters and telephone calls to members resulted in substantial success. At the time of writing, the lapsed subscription total amounted to \$6,516.

## **3.3 Finance**

The Management Committee has maintained its policy of managing its activities on a sound financial footing. Most of its activities were self-supporting. However, in some cases the Association defrayed part of the costs with a small subsidy so as to allow the maximum number of members to enjoy the activity. The use of the People's Association and government facilities, helped to keep expenditure to a minimum.

### **3.3.1 Accumulated Funds**

In 1993, the Accumulated Funds, represented by funds in fixed deposits, bank balances and accounts receivable increased substantially.

### **3.3.2 Income**

The Association's income was derived from members' subscriptions, social activities, advertisements and donations. The bulk of the income was raised through the Fund-Raiser Dinner and Dance held in October 1993. Income was also generated for the Association through the performances of the Dance Troupe, sales of Christmas cards and Youth Movement T-shirts.

### **3.3.3 Auditors**

The Association is grateful to Mr. Alwyn Lim (Honorary Auditor) of Alwyn Lim & Co. for kindly auditing the accounts.

## **3.4 Publications**

This sub-committee was headed by Mr. John Norfor (Committee member, Life member). Other members included: Mrs. Patricia de Souza (Life member) and Mr. Brynley Scully (Life member).

### **3.4.1 Newsletter**

Since May 1993, EA NEWS became a quarterly newsletter. For the term 1993/1994, three newsletters were published (May 1993, August 1993, November 1993) with the fourth due in February 1994. Since the August 1993 issue, EA NEWS has expanded from an 8-page to a 12-page newsletter. This was done to facilitate better layout incorporating advertisements.

EA NEWS had the opportunity to interview BG (NS) George Yeo, the Minister for Information and the Arts and the representative of Eurasians in Cabinet, in July 1993. The interview was published in the August 1993 issue of EA NEWS.

### **3.4.2 Other Publications**

A souvenir brochure was printed and distributed to all guests attending "The Extravaganza", on 24 October 1993.

A New Year's Eve Souvenir Magazine was published and distributed to all guests at the New Year's Eve Dinner and Dance.

The Publications Sub-Committee was also responsible for the production of this annual report.

### **3.4.3 Advertisements**

Advertisements in the New Year's Eve Souvenir Magazine raised \$16,900 while those in the EA NEWS generated \$2,550.

### **3.4.4 Mailing Exercise**

As EA NEWS is a quarterly newsletter and the EA Youth Movement Newsletter is bi-monthly, the mailing exercises for the two publications were co-ordinated to keep costs down. Issues were sent to every household instead of to every individual member, unless requested.

The packing of mailers was co-ordinated with the Welfare Task Force.

## **3.5 Cultural Affairs**

### **3.5.1 Dance Troupe**

The troupe is co-ordinated by Mrs. Valerie Scully (Life member) and choreographer Mrs. Catherine Zuzarte (Life member).

The Dance Troupe comprises 13 female dancers, a co-ordinator and a choreographer. The troupe trains weekly at the Alberquerque family residence at Still Road.

In 1993, the troupe had 19 performances. These were at seminars, conferences, community events, national events and private functions. About half of the performances generated income, while the others were for charitable causes.

The Dance Troupe assisted in improving the public image of Eurasians by appearing in a number of public activities:

- a. On 27 June 1993, the Dance Troupe performed at Orchard Road as part of the launch of Volunteers Month.
- b. In July 1993 Radio Heart FM91.3 held a live radio interview with the troupe's co-ordinator and choreographer on their participation in Volunteers Month.
- c. Also in July 1993, two dancers were interviewed on SBC NEWS for their views on volunteerism in a community organisation.

The Dance Troupe was also involved in Christmas carolling and a Christmas skit.

Contact with Macau was established this year. The Macau Tourist Promotion Board provided information on their cultural dances, songs and costumes.

Mr. John de Souza (Life member) is currently working on new music for the troupe.

### **3.5.2 Sentosa Heritage Museum**

The Association continued to act as consultant to Graphic Communications, the company contracted to set up the Heritage Museum on Sentosa. Mrs. Judith Arul (Life member) was the project co-ordinator.

### **3.5.3 Eurasian Recipes**

To promote Eurasian cuisine, recipes of typical Eurasian dishes have been introduced into the EA NEWS and the People's Association magazine, CITIZEN. Arrangements are being made for cooking demonstrations as well.



## **3.6 Social**

### **3.6.1 "The Extravaganza"**

This project was headed by Mr. Robert Scully (Vice-President, Life member). Other members involved in the organisation of this social were: Mr. Bryan Davenport (Life member), Mr. Brian Richmond (Life member) and Mrs. Valerie Scully (Life member).

A fund-raiser dinner and dance, "The Extravaganza", was held on 24 October 1993 to mark the first anniversary of the Endowment Fund. Tickets at \$100, \$150 and \$200 each were sold to members and well-wishers. Over 500 guests attended this event, which was held at The Dynasty Singapore.

### **3.6.2 New Year's Eve Ball**

This project was headed by Mr. Robert Scully (Vice-President, Life member) and assisted by Mrs. Valerie Scully (Life member). Mr. Burton Westerhout (Life member) assisted in obtaining advertisements.

This event, "The Mad Hatters' Party", was held at the Dynasty Ballroom, The Dynasty Singapore. Tickets at \$90 each were sold. There was a capacity crowd of 510 who thoroughly enjoyed themselves. Our thanks and appreciation go to the many sponsors who provided gifts for the lucky draw.

## **3.7 Ladies' Circle**

The Ladies' Circle was headed by Ms. Kathleen Woodford (Committee member, Life member). Other members included: Ms. Ivy de Souza (Life member), Mrs. Patricia de Souza (Life member), Ms. Angela Fernandez (Life member), Mrs. Valerie Scully (Life member), Ms. Victoria Valberg (Life member) and Mrs. Theresa Woodford (Life member).

The Ladies' Circle organised a high tea for Mother's Day at the Cosy Corner, Orchard Parade Hotel, on 8 May 1993.

Fathers' Day was celebrated with a Korean barbecue, steamboat and Japanese Tempura dinner at the poolside of the Orchard Parade Hotel.

To celebrate National Day, the Ladies' Circle organised a Red & White High Tea at the Five Domes restaurant at the Pan Pacific Hotel. Guests were encouraged to attend in the National colours.

Ladies learnt a new craft at the "Home-Made Christmas Crackers Class" held just before Christmas.



### **3.8 Singapore Eurasians – Memories and Hopes**

The second print run of 1,000 books went on sale in March 1993. So far approximately 400 copies have been sold.

Times Publishing has informed the Association that the book was on display at the 1993 International Book Fair.

The book has been submitted for the National Book Development Council of Singapore, Annual Book Award Competition for the year 1994.

### **3.9 Review Sub-Committee**

A resolution to amend Rule No. 4 (which defines Ordinary membership) of the Eurasian Association Rules and Regulations was proposed at the last Annual General Meeting. An amendment to this proposal was put forward and accepted by the house. This amendment proposed the setting up of a Special Sub-Committee to study the issue. A Special Sub-Committee was established to review the eligibility criteria for Ordinary membership into the Association.

The sub-committee chaired by Mr. Boris Theseira (life member) have had three meetings to date. A positional definition of a Eurasian was evolved in September 1993 and surveys of views on it from the Association's members and Eurasians in the community were conducted. Meetings are still in progress.

Other members of this sub-committee were: Deputy Chairman Mr. Rudolph Masbergen (life member), Secretary Mr. Martin Marini (life member), Mr. Oscar J. Oliveira (life member), Ms. Carla Barker (life member), Mr. Ronnie Barth (life member), Dr. Myrna Braga-Blake (life member), Mr. William Jansen (life member), Dr. Patricia La Brooy (life member), Mrs. Nanette Morris (life member), Mr. Patrick Mowe (life member), Mr. Victor Olsen (life member), Mr. Alexius Pereira, Mr. Gerry Pereira (life member), Mr. Rene Pereira (life member), Mr. Francis Remedios (life member), Mr. Kevin Shepherdson (life member), Mrs. Theresa Woodford (life member), Mrs. Catherine Zuzarte (life member).

# ***a part of the nation***

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## **1. RECIPIENTS OF NATIONAL AWARDS**

### **1.1 Presidential Citation**

The Association received the Volunteers Month 93 Presidential Citation at the launch of Volunteers Month on 27 June 1993, by Mr. Yeo Cheow Tong, the then Minister of Health and Community Development. The citation, which was signed by Mr. Wee Kim Wee, the then President of the Republic of Singapore reads:

"Volunteerism is the hallmark of a caring society.

In Singapore a strong volunteer movement exists because of the presence of a dedicated group of volunteers who sacrifice time, effort and resources to improve the life of the less-fortunate without expecting any reward.

This citation is to record your invaluable service to society."

### **1.2 National Day Awards**

A number of Eurasians were honoured with National Day Awards in 1993. Among them were:

- a. BINTANG BAKTI MASHARAKAT  
PUBLIC SERVICE STAR  
Mr. Oscar Oliveira,  
Contribution to Labour Movement.
- b. PUBLIC SERVICE ADMINISTRATION MEDAL (BRONZE) (MILITARY)  
COL Cyril Walter Kerr,  
Deputy Head Air Operations, Air Operation Dept.  
LTC Colin St. Gerard Binny,  
Head Joint Logistics Dept., Resource Planning Office.
- c. PUBLIC SERVICE MEDAL  
Madam Nolene De Foe,  
Social & Community Service.
- d. EFFICIENCY MEDAL  
Mr. Anthony Martin Hogan,  
Welfare Attendant, Singapore Boys' Home 'B'.  
Miss Dora Philomena Fernandez,  
Higher Executive Officer, Budget Division.

### **1.3 SEA Games Medallists**

Eurasians contributed to three out of the 50 Gold medals in Singapore's tally at the XVII South East Asia Games held in June 1993.

Ms. Melanie Martens (Life member) and Ms. Dawn Defoe were part of the women's hockey team that clinched the Gold.

Mr. Peter Hill secured a Gold when he won the finals of the Men's Individual event in squash. He later achieved another Gold when he helped the Singapore team win the finals of the men's team event.

## **2. PARTICIPATION IN NATIONAL EVENTS**

### **2.1 Community Day 1993**

The Association participated in events organised by the Ministry of Community Development to celebrate Community Day 1993.

Mrs. Evelyn Rodrigues (Life member) represented the Association and spoke at the Forum on Ethnic Customs to 800 school teachers and principals.

Thirty members joined a mini-parade at the Marina Bay to launch Community Day 1993. They later embarked on a Heritage Bus Tour that took them across a number of historical landmarks in Singapore.

Some Eurasian families hosted visits by Singaporeans from other communities during that weekend.

### **2.2 Volunteers Month**

At the launch of Volunteers Month on 27 June 1993, the Association received the Volunteers Month 93 Presidential Citation from the then Minister of Health and Community Development, Mr. Yeo Cheow Tong, in recognition of the volunteers working in the Association.

On the same day, the Association joined other volunteer and community organisations and set up a stall along Orchard Road to showcase the community activities organised by the Association. The Dance Troupe was part of the stage activities on Orchard Road, that evening.

Radio Heart FM91.3 and SBC News interviewed the dance co-ordinators and dancers respectively, on their role as volunteers in a community organisation.

## **2.3 Heritage Day 1993**

Heritage Day 1993 was organised by the Ministry of Community Development.

A "Costumes Through Time, Singapore" exhibition, jointly organised by the Fashion Designers Society, National Archives and the National Museum, was held in conjunction with Heritage Day 1993. The Association helped with the search for ethnic Eurasian costumes and artifacts for the exhibition. Mrs. Judith Arul (Life member) coordinated this project.

Also as part of the exhibition, three Eurasian couples modelled period costumes from the earlier part of this century.

## **3. REPRESENTATION ON NATIONAL COMMITTEES AND ORGANISATIONS**

The Association continued to be represented on the following National Committees :

- a. National Communities Organisation Council
- b. National Arts Council

In this term, the Association became a member of the following:

- a. Joint Consultative Committee on Education
- b. National Council of Social Services

## **4. CONTACTS WITH OTHER ORGANISATIONS**

### **4.1 Self-Help Groups**

The Association developed good ties with the self-help groups through many inter-group activities. These include invitations to seminars, feedback sessions and socials.

### **4.2 Singapore Recreation Club**

Ties with the Singapore Recreation Club (SRC) have strengthened steadily through the annual Christmas games and socials. The Association's Dance Troupe has also played a part in the development of this bond by performing at several of the SRC's functions.

### **4.3 Other Eurasian Associations**

#### **4.3.1 Selangor and Federal Territory Eurasian Association**

The Selangor and Federal Territory Eurasian Association organised a heritage programme at their clubhouse in Kuala Lumpur on 31 July and 1 August 1993. The programme included a conference, an exhibition, a food fair and a cultural show. Eurasian Associations from the Malaysian states as well as Singapore were invited to send delegates. Association president LTC Timothy de Souza attended the conference to represent the Eurasian Association, Singapore.



## ***in requiem***

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The Association extends its deepest sympathies to the families of members who have passed away. The Association was informed of the deaths of:

Theresa Dolores (Dolly) Jansen, Vernon Eric Perreau, Aloysius Rodrigues, Kingsley Pereira.

May our good friends rest in peace.

# the year in review

## MARCH 1993

- ❑ Members attend Annual General Meeting of the Eurasian Association.

## MAY 1993

- ❑ Dance Troupe performs at Tampines Junior College's "Sunday Funday".
- ❑ EA participates in forum on Ethnic Customs.
- ❑ EA participates in launch of Community Day at Marina Bay.
- ❑ Members join Heritage Bus Tour as part of Community Day celebrations.
- ❑ Families share Eurasian culture with young Singaporeans as part of "Know Our Customs Home Visit".
- ❑ Weekly games resume at Min Xiu Primary School.
- ❑ Ladies celebrate Mother's Day with a High Tea at the Orchard Parade Hotel.
- ❑ EA NEWS (May 93 issue) goes out to households.
- ❑ First issue of Youth Movement Newsletter (May 93 issue) goes out to households.

## JUNE 1993

- ❑ Members meet BG (NS) George Yeo, the Minister representing Eurasians in Cabinet.
- ❑ Government offers EA two bungalows along Mountbatten Road for premises.
- ❑ EA participates in SEA Games Torch Relay.
- ❑ EA sets up stall along Orchard Road as



- part of launch of Volunteers Month.
- ❑ Dance Troupe performs at launch of Volunteers Month at Orchard Road.
- ❑ Youth attend course at OBS.
- ❑ Families celebrate Father's Day with a seafood barbecue at Orchard Parade Hotel.
- ❑ Radio Heart FM91.3 holds 'live' interview with Dance Troupe co-ordinators.
- ❑ Weekly Sunday games at Min Xiu Primary School.

## JULY 1993

- ❑ EA NEWS interviews BG (NS) George Yeo.
- ❑ EA President attends EA Selangor

- Heritage Day in Kuala Lumpur.
- ❑ EA launches appeal for Donation Draw prizes.
- ❑ SBC News interviews Dance Troupe members.
- ❑ Weekly Sunday games at Min Xiu Primary School.

## AUGUST 1993

- ❑ Eurasian teachers attend feedback session.
- ❑ Review Sub-Committee starts meetings.
- ❑ EA NEWS and Youth Movement Newsletter (August 93 issues) go out to households.
- ❑ Members enjoy a fun-filled Family Day at Min Xiu Primary School.
- ❑ Successful applicants receive EA Bursary and Merit Awards at Family Day.
- ❑ Members celebrate National Day with a Red & White High Tea at Pan Pacific Hotel.
- ❑ Dance Troupe performs at Fifth Asian-Pacific Conference on Doppler and Echocardiography.
- ❑ Dance Troupe performs at Singapore Recreation Club's National Day celebrations.
- ❑ Dance Troupe performs twice at Lau Pa Sat Festival Market.
- ❑ Dance Troupe performs at "Family & Development" Council on Social Welfare Asia-Pacific Regional Conference.
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### SEPTEMBER 1993

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- Youth member boards the Nippon Maru for an East Asia cruise to promote friendship and cooperation among the young people of Asean and Japan.
- Families host ASEAN youth from the Nippon Maru.
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### NOVEMBER 1993

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### DECEMBER 1993

- Singapore Recreation Club and EA



- meet for their second Annual Christmas Games.
- Dance Troupe performs at SRC-EA 2nd Annual Christmas Games.
- Eurasian children and families attend 'Christmas Around The Clock' at the East Coast Composite for a Family Day cum Christmas Treat.
- Two youths attend course at OBS.
- Dance Troupe and Eurasian Singers perform at Lau Pa Sat Festival Market's Christmas celebrations.
- Ladies learn a new craft; home-made Christmas Crackers.
- Dance Troupe performs for senior citizens at Singapore Recreation Club.
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- Church's Children's Christmas Party.
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- Dance Troupe performs at Hougang CC's Children's Christmas Party.
- Over 500 guests attend annual New Year's Eve Dinner and Dance, 'The Mad Hatters' Party' at The Dynasty, Singapore.

### JANUARY 1994

- SINDA-EA tuition classes resume.
- Subsidised medical attention commences for elderly poor Eurasians.
- EA participates in Medaki's Cross-Cultural Seminar.
- Dance Troupe performs at Singapore Recreation Club's membership launch.

### FEBRUARY 1994

- CDAC-EA Mandarin tuition classes commence.
- Dance Troupe performs at Lau Pa Sat Festival Market's Valentine's Day celebrations.
- Annual Report goes out to all members.
- EA NEWS and Youth Movement Newsletter (February 94 issues) go out to households.
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## THE EURASIAN ASSOCIATION, SINGAPORE

### STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 1993

	Note	1993 \$	1992 \$
<b>INCOME</b>			
Subscriptions		9,140	6,124
Donations		31,532	822
Social functions	8	88,659	35,894
Interest on fixed deposits		3,650	5,262
Interest on saving accounts		1,179	983
Other income		-	673
		134,160	49,758
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>			
Administrative expenses	9	52,370	16,679
Donations		-	1,650
Meeting expenses		12,840	3,185
Dance troupe		1,029	847
Hiring of sports facilities		592	3,435
Community welfare		20,205	-
Stocks written off		600	-
Other functions expenditure		-	480
		(87,636)	(26,276)
<b>SURPLUS FOR THE YEAR</b>		46,524	23,482
 <b>SURPLUS FOR THE YEAR TRANSFERRED TO:-</b>			
Accumulated General Fund	2	46,524	17,032
Education Fund	3	-	6,450
		46,524	23,482

*The annexed notes form an integral part of and should be read in conjunction with these accounts*

# THE EURASIAN ASSOCIATION, SINGAPORE

## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS – 31st December 1993

These notes form an integral part and should be read in conjunction with the accompanying accounts.

### 1 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

a) **Basis of accounting**

The accounts of the association have been prepared in accordance with the historical cost convention.

b) **Fixed assets and depreciation**

Fixed assets are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation. Depreciation is calculated using the straight-line method to write off the cost of the assets over their estimated useful lives. The estimated useful lives are taken as follows:-

Computer equipment	3 years
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c) **Stocks**

Stocks are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Stocks represent unsold items such as recipe cards acquired for Heritage Day held on 3rd November 1991, T-shirts for EA Youth and "Singapore Eurasians – Memories & Hopes" books.

d) **Income recognition**

Subscription collections and interest on fixed deposits and saving accounts are recognised on cash basis.

### 2 ACCUMULATED GENERAL FUND

	1993	1992
	\$	\$
Balance at 1st January	132,768	115,736
Transfer from Income and Expenditure Account	46,524	17,032
Balance at 31st December	<u>179,292</u>	<u>132,768</u>

## THE EURASIAN ASSOCIATION, SINGAPORE

### NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS – 31st December 1992

#### 3 EDUCATION FUND

	1993	1992
	\$	\$
Balance at 1st January	70,000	69,000
Transfer from Income and Expenditure Account	-	6,450
Awards	(4,200)	(5,450)
Tuition and other expenses	(8,743)	-
Balance at 31st December	57,057	70,000

#### 4 SPECIAL PROJECT ACCOUNT

The sum represents net balance of monies received for book orders, donations and advertising income set aside for Singapore Eurasian Book Project. Upon completion of the project, the *monies received* proceeds after deducting the production cost of the second print run are being donated to the Eurasian Association Endowment Fund. *will be*

	1993	1992
	\$	\$
Balance at 1st January	40,272	47,182
Income		
Sale of books "Singapore Eurasians - Memories & Hopes"	5,139	36,995
Donations	-	10,348
Sponsorship	-	1,595
	5,139	48,938
Expenditure		
Publication cost	7,586	49,553
Book launch expenses	255	6,295
	(7,841)	(55,848)
	37,570	40,272
Less: Transfer to Endowment Fund	(21,457)	-
Balance at 31st December	16,113	40,272

## THE EURASIAN ASSOCIATION, SINGAPORE

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## THE EURASIAN ASSOCIATION, SINGAPORE

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS – 31st December 1993

### 6 FIXED ASSETS

1993	Cost	Accumulated depreciation	Net book value	Depreciation charged during the year
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Computer equipment	4,350	3,262	1,088	1,450
1992				
Computer equipment	4,350	1,812	2,538	1,450

### 7 ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE – GENERAL

	1993	1992
	\$	\$
Outstanding pledges from well wishers advertising in New Year's Eve Ball souvenir magazine	17,900	28,050
Proceeds receivable from sale of:-		
- T-shirts and recipe cards	480	480
- "Singapore Eurasians - Memories & Hopes" books	312	9,576
Proceeds receivable from ticket sale of New Year's Eve Ball	2,610	37,280
Proceeds receivable from performance by EA Dancers - Lau Pa Sat	400	-
Subscriptions receivable	636	-
Donations	650	-
	<u>22,988</u>	<u>75,386</u>

### 8 SOCIAL FUNCTIONS

These represent net proceeds from functions and projects organized during the year.

	1993	1992
	\$	\$
Noite Eurasiana	-	(1,867)
New Year's Eve Ball	25,044	37,110
Heritage Day	-	320
Christmas party	3,191	201
Reception dinner with Minister BG George Yeo	(474)	-
Dinner show "Extravaganza"	61,875	-
Family Day	980	-
Others	(1,957)	130
	<u>88,659</u>	<u>35,894</u>

## THE EURASIAN ASSOCIATION, SINGAPORE

### NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS - 31st December 1993

#### 9 ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

	1993	1992
	\$	\$
Bank charges	71	93
Postage and stationery	5,094	832
* Publications	9,733	11,361
Depreciation of fixed assets	1,450	1,450
Audit fee	600	600
General expenses	1,587	932
Recruitment expenses	182	1,411
Salaries	16,315	-
CPF	2,757	-
Office maintenance and utilities	14,581	-
	<u>52,370</u>	<u>16,679</u>

\* Publications include cost of producing EA News, annual reports and various publicity circulars on the Association's activities.

**THE EURASIAN ASSOCIATION, SINGAPORE**

**STATEMENT BY THE COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

In our opinion, the accompanying accounts set out in Pages 1 to 7 are properly drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of The Eurasian Association, Singapore as at 31st December 1993 and of the income and expenditure of the Association for the year ended on that date.

**Signed on behalf of the Committee Members**

**Timothy de Souza**  
**President**

**Randal Snodgrass**  
**Honorary Treasurer**

Dated: 17 FEB 1994

**AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF**  
**THE EURASIAN ASSOCIATION, SINGAPORE**

We have audited the accounts of The Eurasian Association, Singapore, set out in Pages 1 to 7. Our examination was made in accordance with Statements of Auditing Guideline and Statements of Auditing Practice and, accordingly, included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered appropriate in the circumstances.

In our opinion, the accounts are properly drawn up in accordance with the books and vouchers of the Association and Statements of Accounting Standard, so as to give a true and fair view of the state of the Association's affairs as at 31st December 1993 and of the results for the year ended on that date.

**Alwyn Lim & Co**  
**Certified Public Accountants**

Dated: 17 FEB 1994



# ***annex b***

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## **THE EURASIAN ASSOCIATION, SINGAPORE THE EURASIAN ASSOCIATION ENDOWMENT FUND**

ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 1993

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THE EURASIAN ASSOCIATION, SINGAPORE  
THE EURASIAN ASSOCIATION ENDOWMENT FUND

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 1993

	\$
ACCUMULATED GENERAL FUND	<u>336,833</u>
REPRESENTED BY:-	
CURRENT ASSET	
Cash at bank	337,133
CURRENT LIABILITY	
Accrual	(300)
	<u>336,833</u>

THE EURASIAN ASSOCIATION, SINGAPORE  
THE EURASIAN ASSOCIATION ENDOWMENT FUND

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 1993

	\$
INCOME	
Donations	168,238
Government Grant	163,907
Interest on saving account	5,001
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	337,146
EXPENDITURE	
Audit fee	300
Bank charges	13
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	313
SURPLUS FOR THE YEAR	
	<hr/> <hr/>
	336,833
SURPLUS FOR THE YEAR TRANSFERRED TO ACCUMULATED GENERAL FUND	
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	336,833

**THE EURASIAN ASSOCIATION, SINGAPORE  
THE EURASIAN ASSOCIATION ENDOWMENT FUND**

**STATEMENT BY THE TRUSTEES**

In our opinion, the accompanying accounts set out in Pages 1 and 2 are properly drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of The Eurasian Association Endowment Fund as at 31st December 1993 and of the income and expenditure of the Fund for the year ended on that date.

**Edmund William Barker**  
Trustee

**Herman Ronald Hochstadt**  
Trustee

**Oscar Joseph Oliveiro**  
Trustee

Dated:



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In our opinion:-

- 1 The accounts show fairly the financial transactions for the year ended 31st December 1993 and the state of affairs of the Fund as at 31st December 1993.
- 2 The accounting and other records have been properly kept.
- 3 The receipt, expenditure and investment of monies during the year have been made in accordance with the rules and regulations stated in the First Schedule of the Trust Deed dated 30th August 1992.

Alwyn Lim & Co  
Certified Public Accountants

Dated:

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE EURASIAN ASSOCIATION SINGAPORE, HELD AT THE AUDITORIUM, TEMASEK JUNIOR COLLEGE, AT 22 BEDOK SOUTH ROAD SINGAPORE 1646, ON WEDNESDAY 31 MARCH 1993 AT 7.30 PM**

**1. Opening of AGM 1993**

The meeting commenced at 7.50 pm with 115 members present. ITC Timothy de Souza, President (1992/1993) took the chair and declared the Meeting open.

**2. President's Address**

The highlights of the President's address were as follows:

- 2.1 ITC Timothy de Souza began by saying that 1992 was a key year for the Association. The EA was now a fully recognised self help group reaching out to all Eurasians in Singapore. BG George Yeo represented us in Cabinet. His assistance would be invaluable. The previous year had focused on four priorities:
  - a. Endowment Fund
  - b. Fund Raising
  - c. Intellectual Development
  - d. Search for Premises
- 2.2 With regard to the Endowment Fund, the Trust Deed empowered the Association to raise funds on a tax-exempt basis and the Government matched this on a dollar-for-dollar grant.

At the Charity Ball the Deputy Prime Minister Ong Teng Cheong praised the Eurasian Community publicly. The amount raised was \$144,638 and the fund stood at \$330,476 with the dollar-for-dollar backing by the Government.
- 2.3 A tuition programme was in force and welfare programmes were on line. EA had its office at the People's Association, Kallang. On 18 July 1992 the book "Singapore Eurasians Memories and Hopes" was launched.
- 2.4 Achievements were only possible because of the team spirit of the Management Committee. He thanked members of the Committee who were stepping down, namely Mrs. Judith Arul, Mr. David Oehlers, Mr. William Jansen and Mr. Martin Pereira. He also thanked the Association's legal Advisor Ms. Carla Baker, its Honorary Auditor Mr. Alwyn Lim and all those who had contributed to the Association for their work.

### **3. Confirmation of the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 27 March 1992.**

The following were raised for correction:

- 3.1 Mr. Gerry Pereira under item 4.1.2 page 39 after "the house applauded Mr. Aeria's comments" put in: "Mr. Olsen then begged to differ with Mr. Aeria and said that if it was necessary he was prepared to substantiate his quotes he attributed to Mr. Thompson. The Chairman then moved on as there was no other comment on the matter".
- 3.2 Ms. Carla Barker page 41 item 8.1: "revue" should read "review".
- 3.3 Mr. Rudy Mosbergen proposed that the minutes be adopted. This was seconded by Mr. Bill Plunkett.

### **4. Confirmation of the Minutes of the Extraordinary General Meeting held at the Auditorium, People's Association Kallang, Singapore 1439, on 7 July 1992.**

The house agreed to adopt the minutes. This was proposed by Mr. Victor Olsen and seconded by Mr. Terence Aeria.

### **5 Adoption of Annual Report and Audited Accounts for the year ended 31 December 1992.**

5.1 The Chairman went through the Annual Report.

5.1.1 The Chairman raised the following amendments:

- a. Page 10 Item 3.3.5: amend "that" to "than".
- b. Page 16 Item 5.2.1: Noite Eurosona was held in "1992" not "1993".
- c. Page 20 Annex A should be page "21".

5.1.2 Mr. Victor Olsen referred to page 12 item 4.1.3 "lapsed subscriptions and Members in arrears". He asked for the extent of the problem and how many members were in arrears. The Chairman said the question of lapsed subscriptions and members in arrears had been problematic for a number of years. In this term a concerted effort was mounted to recover arrears. Reminders were sent. The Chairman then called Mr. Paul Desker, the Chairman of the Membership Sub-committee, to address the house on the matter. Mr. Victor Olsen asked whether the problem could be alleviated - members who pay may be dissatisfied that others do not pay. Mr. Paul Desker said there were many reasons why a person did not pay - a person may have lost contact with the Association; he may have changed his address, he may have emigrated or

he may have died. He asked members to help in informing the Association of changes in address. The Chairman said it was not the EA's policy to cut off members; – the EA tried to keep them on the rolls. The EA relied on a network of friends to pass on the sentiments of the EA.

Mr. Geoffrey Morris suggested annexing a list of members in arrears behind the annual Report. Ms. Loren Neville said it would be embarrassing for members in arrears. She suggested making door visits. The Chairman said the numbers involved required a huge effort, and the EA had tried networking. Mr. Aloysius de Souza said there could be many reasons why members did not want to pay. He said he intended to resign from the EA and would give his reasons later under matters arising.

Mr. Victor Olsen said about 264 paying members were not paying, this translated to almost 70% of the fee-paying members – we must not look too lightly at the matter – he said a group should be formed to look into the problem and he volunteered to help solve the problem.

Mr. Denis Augustine said he was a Life member and his wife was an Associate member. He did not get any reminders. He asked why payment for Associate membership could not be made in three, four or five years.

The Chairman replied that Life members made a one time payment – the problem arose with Ordinary and Associate membership.

5.1.3 Mr. Hugh Oliveira referred to page 10. He expressed his gratitude for the tuition programmes. It had saved him "a packet". But one important factor was left out – the Second Language. He requested EA to look into the matter of the Second Language. The Chairman replied that the EA was looking very seriously into a Second Language programme.

5.1.4 Mr. Victor Olsen referred to page 14 item 4.6.2 relating the study of less privileged in the Eurasian Community. He asked what the project would cost.

The Chairman said it would cost \$5,000. Mr. Olsen asked where the money would be charged to. The Chairman said it would be charged to the EA Endowment Fund.

5.1.5 Mr. Terence Aeria proposed a vote of thanks to young Eurasian men going into national service and for Eurasians who had received national or international honours. He also asked for the death notices to include other members of the community not only EA members.

5.1.6 The Chairman referred to the death notices and said the problem was that unless the deceased were EA members the EA would not have information on deaths.

5.1.7 The Annual Report was adopted on the proposal of Mr. Randal Snodgrass and seconded by Mr. Lionel Zuzarte.



- 5.2 The Chairman said that 1992 was an exceptional year in that a huge amount of money was raised. He invited questions on the Audited accounts.
- 5.2.1 Mr. Burton Westerhout said he would like to point out some danger signals inherent in the accounts. While the year ended with an increase in net assets a large amount was due to the Endowment Fund. If this was discounted, there was a smaller increase in assets in receivables not in cash – the cash flow of the Association was depleted.

He referred to the General Accounts receivables 1992. There was an amount of \$75,386 an increase of \$44,000 over the previous year's fixed deposits. \$183,531 was depleted to \$163,497. On page 6 under Accounts receivable out of \$75,386 in receivables, \$37,000 of that were proceeds from sales of ticket from the New Year's Eve Ball, such tickets were supposed to be on a cash basis paid for at time of collection. To pay up for the cost of the Ball, the EA had to go into reduction of its valuable cash assets to finance participants funds. He asked how much of the \$37,000/- had been collected to date. There were two opportunities to raise funds – the Noite Eurasiana and the New Year's Eve Ball. Noite Eurasiana usually realised a \$2,000 to \$3,000 profit. He said that in 1992 there was a loss of about \$1,800 to \$1,900. There must be care in funding functions – the loss represents 8 to 9 scholarships which could have been given to the children. If the EA continued to lose money at functions to raise funds and allow assets to slip, the EA may be in trouble. He appealed to everybody to pay before taking the tickets.

The Chairman referred to the accounts receivable column page 1. He referred to the figure of \$75,386. There were 3 large items:

- a. Ticket sales \$37,280 for 31st December 1992.
  - b. \$28,000 for The Souvenir programme for the 31st December 1992 and
  - c. \$9,000 money derived from the profits of the book "Singapore Eurasian – Memories and Hopes". The way the accounts are structured EA did not get the fees or money for the advertisement until the following month or two. That accounts for why \$28,000 was under that particular column. To date all except \$6,000 was paid up. EA has received \$22,000 already out of that \$28,000. With regard to the \$37,000 ticket sales, nobody got a ticket who did not pay cash or a cheque. There is no money owing from ticket sales, all \$37,000 had been cleared. The \$9,000 item is a credit note from Times Publications, profit of \$75,000, from the first 2,000 copies of the book, \$69,000 of that had already been received. For the 1991 accounts receivable of \$31,535 none of that money was accumulated into 1992.
- 5.2.2 Mr. David Oehlers, the Honorary Treasurer, said \$9,576 owing to EA by Times Publishing was a contractual agreement – the \$37,110 from ticket sales was a matter of timing: the New Year's Eve Ball – the bank closed early. The \$37,110 could not be banked until the following Monday.

Mr. Burton Westerhout said the \$37,000 should be reflected as cash in hand if it was in hand.

The Chairman said the EA did not put out funds to pay the dues for the event. Only the deposit was paid. On the point of raising of money through social events, EA had Noite Eurosiana – \$35 was charged per ticket – the loss of \$1,867 occurred because quite a lot of people said they were coming. The SRC was booked. A whole lot of people did not show up. He said EA did not like losing a cent. In future EA will not take on trust a promise to pay at the door.

- 5.2.3 Mr. Burton Westerhout said his questions had been answered. However he had another question. Why had EA's fixed deposits come down by \$20,000.

The Chairman replied that the EA had quite a few events to support. This had run down the reserves. However the EA finished the year with \$23,000 more than it started.

- 5.2.4 Mr. Victor Olsen referred to page 7 under the heading "Expenditure Commitment". He referred to the commitment of \$13,000 for the refurbishment of the EA office. He asked whether this money came from EA funds. The Chairman replied in the affirmative. The EA's office was an ongoing project and part of EA expenditure. Funds would have to be raised this year to cover the expenditure.

Mr. Olsen replied that this was a good decision and offered his congratulations.

- 5.2.5 Mr. Burton Westerhout referred to the item \$113,490 against the Endowment Fund on page 5. He asked whether was EA allowed to invest the money in a fixed deposit account. The Chairman said when the money came in it was put in a fixed deposit account earning interest. That money had been transferred to the Trustees' account. It was up to the Trustees now to invest the money.

- 5.2.6 On a proposal by Mr. Burton Westerhout seconded by Ms. Virginia Yzelman the Annual Report and Accounts for the year ended 31 December 1992 were adopted.

- 5.2.7 The next item was to approve the audited accounts in the EA Endowment Fund. The Chairman said that the money was in the hands of the Trustees. However the EA had the responsibility to administer the fund.

On a proposal by Mr. Randal Snodgrass seconded by Mr. Hugh Oliveira the audited accounts on the Endowment Fund was approved.

Mr. Victor Olsen proposed a vote of thanks to Mr. David Oehlers. Mr. David Oehlers thanked Mr. Colin Meyer and Mr. Ernest Marsh for their help with regard to the Accounts.

## **6. Resolutions**

6.1 The next item was to review and, if deemed fit adopt the proposed Resolutions and Constitutional amendments to the EA Rules and Regulations. The First Resolution was to gain members' approval to advance up to \$15,000 of the Association's funds to finance the tuition programme.

6.1.1 The proposer for this Resolution was Mrs. Ursula Quah who spoke on the Resolution. She said the rationale for the Resolution was educational assistance to be given to children in need of help and whose family incomes limit their capacity to pay for private tuition. The Endowment Fund is subsidising the tuition programme. The cost of the subsidy is \$6,540. The current tuition programme with SINDA was a pilot programme in remedial Mathematics and Science. The committee was also aware that some Eurasian children need help in their Second language. The committee intended to provide this help in the next term of office. They need funds for the project. She was seeking approval for \$15,000. The request was only for an advance. The committee intended to raise funds to reimburse the EA account. The key to the future of the Eurasian community was Education. The Resolution was seconded by Mr. Edmund Rodrigues. He said the new tuition programme scheme with SINDA had been a tremendous improvement over the old system where attempts had been made to provide the children with their own tutors. There was a tremendous problem with cross matching of available tutors in districts where our children had problems. However our children needed this scheme - our children were scattered all over Singapore at 18 centres. He urged the Assembly to adopt the Resolution. The Chairman invited comments from the floor.

6.1.2 Mr. Burton Westerhout asked for a breakdown of the sum of \$15,000.

Mrs. Ursula Quah referred to her summary. The Chairman informed the house of how cost effective the scheme was. If EA did it alone it would cost 50% to 70% more. The sum of \$15,000 was thought to be adequate for the next 12 months.

Mr. Terry Kein asked whether there were any pupils not able to pay. The Chairman said there were no cases of pupils not able to pay the sum of money involved.

Mr. Martin Marini said the house owed Mrs. Quah and her sub-committee a round of applause. The idea of "piggy backing" on SINDA made a lot of sense because EA was too small.

6.1.3 The Chairman said that under the EA Constitution only Ordinary or Life members could vote on the Resolution.

Voting on the resolution resulted in 120 members voting in favour with none against. The resolution was unanimously carried.



6.2 The next item was the Resolution on the Constitutional Amendment to include a new category of membership called Associate Life member. The Resolution was proposed by Mr. Paul Desker and seconded by Mr. Martin Pereira.

6.2.1 Mr. Paul Desker spoke on the Resolution. He said presently all Associate members paid a yearly subscription of \$12. If the Resolution was accepted a person who qualifies as an Associate member will have an option of making a one time payment of \$60 for his conversion to Life Associate membership. He said the proposal did not amend Rule 10 (c) of the EA Rules. It was important to recognise the contributions of Associate members.

6.2.2 Mr. Randal Snodgrass said he was in favour of the Resolution. He referred to Rule 10 (a) of the EA Rules. If the category of life Associates was created, could the house decide what would happen to those who were no longer spouses of Ordinary or Life members or no longer adoptees. He was in favour of recognising that if a person wishes to join as a Life Associate member and if his personal status changes he should still continue as a Life Associate member if he so wishes.

6.2.3 Mr. Martin Marini said Mr. Snodgrass had brought up a very valid point.

Mr. Paul Desker said he was concerned with the benefit a surviving Associate member would want in the event of a death or divorce.

6.2.4 Mrs. Judith Arul spoke on a personal note. She said she was the only life member supported by four Associates. She suggested that each case be taken as it came up because many grounds may have to be considered.

6.2.5 Mr. Edmund Rodrigues asked Mr. Paul Desker what the financial situation on errant Associate members was if the amendment was approved. Mr. Paul Desker said his sub-committee was very much in touch with arrears and one of the conditions for conversion would be settlement of arrears.

6.2.6 Voting on the Resolution then took place. Of a total of 113 members then present, 111 voted in favour of the Resolution. Two members voted against the Resolution. There were no abstentions. The motion was carried.

6.3 The next item in the Agenda was the proposed constitutional amendment to EA Rule No 4 on Ordinary membership. The proposer of the Resolution was Mr. Victor Olsen and it was seconded by Mr. Gerald de Vries.

6.3.1 Mr. Victor Olsen then spoke on The Resolution. He said that the current EA Rule No 4 needs to be changed. It was inaccurate and did not reflect contemporary Eurasian Society. He said the change was necessary for 4 reasons:

a. There were some EA Ordinary and Life members who did not meet the requirements of Rule 4. A solution must be found to this problem as it was a potential source of embarrassment to the EA in particular and Eurasians in general.



b. There were two different definitions of a Eurasian in the Rule No 4 and 1 (b) of the Trust Deed – a kinsman adoptee or spouse is declared to be a Eurasian for the purpose of the Endowment Fund. However under EA Rule No 10 – such persons were only Associate members which suggests they were non-Eurasians.

c. There was no need to define who a Eurasian was. The heading to Rule No 4 reads "Ordinary membership". It does not read Definition of a Eurasian. This rule should not attempt to define a Eurasian. The definition of a Eurasian was personal and emotional. It means different things to different Eurasians: EA as the flagbearer for the Eurasian Community should respect their different schools of thought and feelings. The question "who is a Eurasian" requires an in depth study.

d. He suggested that EA Rule No 4 should define eligibility criteria for members and nothing else. All adult Singaporeans who chose to call themselves Eurasians hold Identity cards clearly stating they are Eurasians. All Eurasians had both or at least one parent who is Eurasian. These primary characteristics reflect Singapore Eurasian society. He hoped that the assembly had the courage, vision and character to discuss and review a change to EA Rule No 4. He believed that only by putting our heads and hearts together could a consensus be arrived at. The Chairman asked whether the seconder of the Resolution, Mr. Gerald de Vries wished to speak on the Resolution. Mr. Olsen said the seconder of the Resolution Mr. Gerald de Vries was not in town. The Resolution was then thrown open for discussion.

6.3.2 Mr. Hugh Oliveira said that if a person's Identity Card states that he is a Eurasian a child when born of a Eurasian parent and another parent of a race not Eurasian could be omitted if his parent had registered him as another race.

6.3.3 Mr. Terence Aeria said the question was complex. He suggested a group be appointed to discuss the matter and that Mr. Olsen and Mr. de Vries be members of the group.

6.3.4 Mr. Victor Olsen said the matter had been studied since 1989. Even the Chairman was part of the group which discussed the matter informally. It was important to have a provision that a member must have an Identity card showing that he or she is Eurasian. Under the present rule a President of the EA may theoretically be elected holding an Identity card showing him to be of another race. This proposal did not have anything to do with the definition of a Eurasian. It asks that the definition of Eurasian in the present rule be removed.

6.3.5 Mr. Martin Marini then said he had submitted a Notice to the Honorary Secretary, Mr. William Jansen, signed by himself and Mr. Terry Kein.

He tabled a proposed amendment to The Resolution to amend EA Rule No 4. It read as follows:

To the Honorary Secretary  
The Eurasian Association Singapore

31 March 93

Proposed amendment to Resolution to amend EA Rule No 4 as contained in Annex 'G'

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Take notice that we the undersigned Proposer and Seconder of this amendment Resolution, request that the members of the EA present at today's AGM, consider review and, if they so deem fit, adopt the amendments to the original Resolution as contained in this Annex 'G' as inscribed above.

Proposed by  
Martin Vincent Marini

Seconded by  
Terry Kein

The proposed amendment to the Resolution read as follows:

"That the Management Committee be empowered to set up a Special Sub-Committee to consider whether Rule No 4 (a) (b)(i) and (ii) of the Constitution should be deleted in its entirety and a new Rule should be inserted namely

4: Ordinary and Life membership

Any Singaporean or Permanent Resident of the age of eighteen and above shall be eligible for Ordinary and Life membership if he or she holds a Singapore Identity card which states that he or she is a Eurasian AND

- i. both or one of his or her parents is or was a Eurasian OR
- ii. one of his or her parents was Caucasian and the Asian"

6.3.6 Mr. Martin Marini then spoke on the proposed amendment. He agreed that the question "What is a Eurasian" was personal and emotive. There were instances where the question could be a political issue on a national level.

He said Rule No. 4 as drafted was not a definition but was criteria for eligibility. Rule No. 4 was in his view antiquated. He said Mr. Victor Olsen's amendment did not attempt a definition but a clarification of eligibility criteria.

It imposed double conditions. The conditions that a Eurasian must pass if he wants to apply to be an Ordinary member.

- a. A Singapore identity card stating the holder to be a Eurasian.
- b. It required proof that one or both parents is a Eurasian. If he cannot do that there is a backdoor to prove that one parent was Caucasian and the other was Asian.

The Definition of Eurasian was both of personal and national importance.

Mr. Marini said he had been a civil servant for seven years. He did not speak for the Government or the Civil Service. However, the National Registration Office had a difficulty in the definition of a Eurasian.

When he went to register his first child he went through a hassle. His father was a British subject whose passport stated his race as Anglo Indian. His grandfather was an Italian. He had to prove to the NRO that he could be classified as Eurasian. The NRO wanted to register him as an Indian. The NRO wanted his child, who was a product of a marriage to a Chinese wife, to be registered as Indian.

What the house decided may be taken at face value. He agreed Rule No 4 is antiquated. The Association should not close doors to those who should be Eurasians but for some reasons are left out. The Community's profile was now raised with the dollar for dollar grant by the Government. The Resolution at an AGM was not the correct mechanism. He said a sub-committee should be set up headed by someone from the Eurasian Community who has standing and stature. The committee needed to capture all sentiments. He said that Mr. Olsen who felt strongly about the issue should sit on the committee. The amendment sought to transfer the question from the floor of the AGM to a group of people who can examine the issue. The members needed to look at the question coolly, calmly and deliberately as the authorities would be looking at us.

6.3.7 Mr. Terence Kein speaking as the seconder said he supported the amendment to the Resolution.

6.3.8 Ms. Carlo Barker said we had to grapple with the definition of a Eurasian. She supported the amendment proposed to the Resolution.

6.3.9 Mr. Victor Olsen said that after hearing Mr. Marini and Ms. Barker he felt they had valid points. He did not think that we should keep on postponing the matter. He wanted a time frame to be decided. He withdrew his motion. The house then voted on the amended Resolution.

6.3.10 One hundred and ten votes were cast in favour of the amended Resolution. There was 1 vote against and there was 1 abstention. The motion was carried.

6.3.11 Mr. Victor Olsen said his proposal was made to stimulate discussion on Rule No 4. He thanked Mr. Marini for his contribution.

## **7. Election of Members of the Management Committee**

7.1 The next item on the Agenda was to elect a President, Vice President, Honorary Secretary, Honorary Treasurer, Assistant Honorary Secretary and five others.

7.1.1 The Honorary Secretary, Mr. William Jansen, then took the chair and read out the nominations received for office bearers and committee members for the year 1993. The following candidates were returned unopposed.



<u>President</u>	<u>Proposer</u>	<u>Secunder</u>
Timothy de Souza	Edmund Rodrigues	G.W. Pereira
<u>Vice President</u> Robert Scully	Colin Meyer	Ernest Marsh
<u>Honorary Secretary</u> Martin Marini	Colonel (Ret) James Aeria	BG Colin Theseira
<u>Honorary Treasurer</u> Randal Snodgrass	Burton Westerhout	Maureen Westerhout
<u>Assistant Honorary Secretary</u> Paul Desker	Theresa Ann Woodford	Charles de Silva
<u>Committee Members</u>		
Bryan Davenport	Alan Raphael Walters	R.W. Scully
Harold Mathieu	Martha Shepherdson	Marie Louise Mathieu
John S.P. Norfar	Malcolm F.H. Norfar	James S. Klass
Ursula Quah	Judith M. Atul	Ivy M. de Souza
Kathleen Woodford <i>Election</i>	Angela Fernandez	Ronnie Barth

7.2 The meeting then proceeded with the President's Address for the coming year. To summarise the President dealt with five core programmes.

a. Educational Advancement for the Community.

The SINDA - EA pilot tuition programme would continue through the year. The EA would work with Mendaki and CDAC on a joint Second Language programme for Malay and Mandarin. There would be a study on "Eurasian Underachievement in Schools". Parental guidance and counselling programmes would be started. The EA would continue to give merit awards and provide educational assistance up to tertiary level through the EA Education Fund.

b. Welfare Assistance for the Community.

A Senior Citizens Sub-committee would be formed. Two other schemes would come on line. A scheme to assist unemployed Eurasians in job placement and a skills retraining programme would be introduced. The Welfare Task Force would work with the St. Vincent de Paul Society. Other programmes would be implemented after the report on "The Lesser Privileged in the Eurasian Community" is obtained. The EA was now a member of the National Council of Social Services and would work closely with the Council.

c. Fund Raising.

EA needed funds for its Education and Welfare programmes and for administration costs incurred. EA also needed to build up its Endowment Fund. EA would need \$200,000/- this term. The years fund raising will be in the form of a Raffle Draw and a Celebrity Concert. EA will also initiate a scheme to



enable community contributions to be made similar to the schemes adopted by other self help groups.

d. Association Premises.

A Secretariat established at the People's Association will enable the EA to administer the programmes for the year. As EA grows it will need space to run its own tuition classes, parent outreach sessions and welfare assistance programmes. EA raised plans for its own educational and welfare centre. The plans were presented to BG George Yeo 3 months ago. EA hoped that a building would be made available to it for commencement of renovations before the end of the term.

e. Youth Movement Development.

A nucleus of a youth group has been formed. This group of 10 young members have drawn up plans to revive the movement. This was a great happening for the EA. 3 members from the group will constitute the youth group on the Management Committee. They would be co-opted to the Committee.

7.3. The President invited Mrs. Vanessa Westerhout-Lee to tell the meeting what the vision of the Youth Group was. Mrs. Vanessa Westerhout-Lee gave a speech on the revival of the youth movement in the EA.

7.4. The President then introduced members of the new EA Management Committee.

## **8. Other Matters Arising**

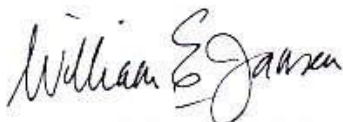
8.1 Mr. Aloysius de Souza said he was perturbed when he read an article in the Straits Times of 18 July 1992 headed "The Shrimp People".

He read an extract from the article in the class system within the Eurasian Community and he asked for unity and cooperation among the Eurasians.

Mr. Bryan Davenport talked about welfare and the poor Eurasians who needed help. He thanked the persons in the Welfare Committee who had worked with him.

## **9. Closure**

As there was no other business the meeting was called to a close by the President.



**MR. WILLIAM JANSEN**  
Honorary Secretary (1992/1993)  
The Eurasian Association, Singapore

## ***annex d***

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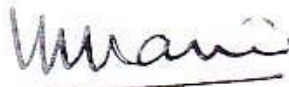
### **RESOLUTION TO GAIN MEMBERS' APPROVAL TO ADVANCE UP TO \$20,000 OF THE ASSOCIATION'S FUNDS TO FINANCE THE TUITION PROGRAMMES FOR 1994/1995**

NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN that at the Annual General Meeting of The Eurasian Association, the members shall be requested to consider and if deemed fit, pass the following resolution:

That the Management Committee be authorised to utilise funds up to the sum of \$20,000.00 to subsidise tuition programmes for the benefit of Eurasian school goers for the year ending December 1994; and that the Management Committee be directed to raise funds up to that amount so utilised for reimbursement to the Association's account.

This resolution has been proposed by Ursula Quah and seconded by Edmund Rodrigues.

BY ORDER OF THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE



**MR. MARTIN MARINI**  
Honorary Secretary  
The Eurasian Association, Singapore

# The Eurasian Association, Singapore

(Established July 1919)

## Nomination Form

I, ..... (name of proposer),  
NRIC No ..... (proposer's NRIC No)  
propose ..... (name of nominee),  
NRIC No. .... (nominee's NRIC No)  
to stand for ..... (post)  
for the term commencing in 1994.  
Signature ..... (signature of proposer)  
Date .....

I, ..... (name of seconder),  
NRIC No. .... (seconder's NRIC No)  
second the proposal.  
Signature ..... (signature of seconder)  
Date .....

I hereby consent to the above nomination and to offer my services to the Eurasian Association if elected for the term commencing in 1994.

Full Name ..... (name of nominee),  
NRIC No. .... (nominee's NRIC No)  
Signature ..... (signature of nominee)  
Date .....

This nomination form should be returned in person or sent by registered mail to the Association's official address not later than 5 p.m. Tuesday 15 March 1994. The envelope should be marked "Nominations for AGM".

