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To: All Dentists

SINGAPORE DENTAL COUNCIL BY-ELECTION 2012 23 August 2012 (0800hrs) to 30 August 2012 (1900hrs)

The by-election under the Dental Registration Act (Chapter 76) was held from 23 to 30 August 2012. Two candidates contested for one vacancy as elected member of the Dental Council.

Voting instructions were sent to 1330 fully registered dentists, and 1300 (97.74%) voted. The number of votes received by each candidate is as follows:

	CANDIDATE	NUMBER OF VOTES RECEIVED
1.	Dr Choo Keang Hai	401
2.	Dr Goh Kong Hui Philip	390
3.	Blank Votes	509

2. Based on the results, the following candidate is deemed to be elected:

• Dr Choo Keang Hai

3 In accordance with regulation 11 of the Dentists Regulations, "the records of the vote shall be retained securely by the Council for three months".

4 Should you wish to raise any issue regarding the election you may do so within 7 days, pursuant to regulation 12 of the Dentists Regulations :

- (1) Subject to paragraph (2), any question arising out of the election as to whether -
 - (a) a person is a relevant dentist¹;
 - (b) a candidate has been validly nominated; or
 - (c) a vote may be counted,

shall be decided by the returning officer.

¹ "relevant dentist" means a registered dentist whose name appears in the first division of the register and who is resident in Singapore

(2) Any person aggrieved by an act or decision of the returning officer may, not later than 7 days after the results of an election have been declared, complain to the Council, which may investigate the complaint and take such action (including declaring the election void in whole or in part) as it may think fit.

(3) Any complaint that a candidate or any person on his behalf has used corrupt methods or undue influence in order to secure the election or rejection of a candidate shall be made to the Council which may investigate the complaint and take such action (including declaring the election void in whole or in part) as it may think fit.

(4) No failure to comply with these Regulations shall invalidate an election if it appears that the election was conducted in accordance with the principles laid down in these Regulations, and that the failure did not affect the results of the election.

5 I thank you for your co-operation in this Dental Council By-Election 2012.

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Dr Chng Chai Kiat Returning Officer