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INTERIM ORDERS COMMITTEE INQUIRY FOR DR KONG SIM GUAN

- On or about 29 June 2021, the Singapore Medical Council ("SMC") received a complaint (the "Complaint") in respect of Dr Kong Sim Guan @ Sim Heng Guan ("Dr Kong") concerning the medical care Dr Kong provided to a patient during a medical evacuation.
- 2. An independent Complaints Committee was appointed to inquire into the Complaint. In the course of its deliberations, the Complaints Committee referred the Complaint to the SMC to appoint an Interim Orders Committee to determine if it was necessary for the protection of members of the public, or was otherwise in the public interest, or was in the interests of Dr Kong, that Dr Kong's registration be suspended or be made subject to conditions or restrictions.
- 3. On 28 July 2023, the Interim Orders Committee, after its inquiry into the information referred to it by the SMC and after considering the submissions by Counsel for the SMC and Dr Kong, was satisfied that it was necessary for the protection of members of the public and in the public interest that the registration of Dr Kong as a medical practitioner be conditional on his compliance with the following conditions or restrictions for a period of 18 months from 28 July 2023:
 - (a) Dr Kong must not offer or agree to act as a medical practitioner and/or provide medical services for any medical evacuation or medical transport assignments (including ambulance services such as emergency ambulance or medical transport vehicles). This condition does not preclude Dr Kong from administering immediate life-saving procedures (e.g., cardiopulmonary resuscitation if a patient is in cardiac arrest) where Dr Kong is amongst the nearest available medical practitioners;
 - (b) Dr Kong must inform the Singapore Medical Council of all places at which he practices or intends to practise; and
 - (c) Dr Kong must inform any organisation or person employing him for medical work that his registration is subject to the above conditions.