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### **Postponement of NDP to 21 August**

1. The National Day Parade (NDP) 2021 originally planned on 9 August at the Float@Marina Bay will be postponed to 21 August, after the scheduled end of Phase 2 (Heightened Alert). On 9 August, a ceremonial parade will be held instead. It will be similar to the one held last year at the Padang, but will take place at the Float@Marina Bay.
2. The heartland fireworks and Red Lions displays previously announced to be held over the 7 to 8 August weekend will be cancelled.
3. The NDP rehearsal and preview previously planned on 24 July and 31 July respectively have also been postponed. To prepare for the NDP on 21 August, rehearsals will be conducted later in smaller component groups. Their dates will not be announced, so as to discourage crowds from gathering around Marina Bay.
4. Since 1966, the NDP has been held every year to mark Singapore's independence. This national event brings together Singaporeans from all walks of life, as one united people to affirm our unity and nationhood. The changes this year will enable NDP 2021 to be held in safer conditions, while maintaining that cherished tradition.

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