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## **MEDIA ADVISORY:**

SCCCI welcomes the public sector's move to re-employ workers by another five years beyond the statutory retirement age of 62

Responding to the announcement that from the 1<sup>st</sup> of January next year, the reemployment age for public servants will be extended to 67, Thomas Chua, President of the Singapore Chinese Chamber of Commerce & Industry, said:

"The SCCCI welcomes the move. As manpower is the most critical issue faced by businesses in the current environment, many firms and companies are already reemploying their workers who reach retirement age but can continue to contribute meaningfully to their respective organisations and transfer their knowledge to the younger employees. The SCCCI would also continue to look into assisting companies in restructuring their work process to deploy these workers."

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## **About Singapore Chinese Chamber of Commerce & Industry**

Established in 1906, the Singapore Chinese Chamber of Commerce & Industry (SOCCI) is an internationally renowned business organisation and the apex body of the Chinese business community in Singapore. It is the founder of the biennial World Chinese Entrepreneurs Convention and the World Chinese Business Network (www.wcbn.com.sg), a global online business information portal. It plays a key and proactive role in representing the interests of the local business community. In its continued drive for service excellence, the SOCCI has become the first business chamber in the region that has been awarded ISO 9001:2000 certification since 1995. In 2009, the Chamber successfully upgraded its ISO certification to ISO 9001:2008.

The SOCCI has a membership network comprising over 4,000 corporate members and 151 trade association members, representing over 40,000 companies including large financial and business organisations, multinational corporations, government-linked companies, and small and medium enterprises from a wide spectrum of trades and industries. These members together provide vast resources and opportunities which enable the SOCCI to develop an influential global Chinese business network for business, education, culture and community development. In return, they share a strong sense of pride and identity together and benefit immensely from the SOCCI's membership services, facilities and activities.