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MEDIA STATEMENT

AMP's Response to Terrorism-Related Arrests Under the Internal Security Act (ISA)

1. AMP is concerned with the recent terrorism-related arrests of members of the Muslim community, namely, Abu Thalha bin Samad, Adzrul Azizi bin Bajuri and Munavar Baig Amina Begam.
2. Their radical views are not, in general, representative of the views of Muslims in Singapore and abroad.
3. It is our hope the arrests will not cause the non-Muslim community to perceive Muslims negatively. Maintaining racial and religious harmony in Singapore is important to the Malay/Muslim community here and we reject any efforts that could potentially harm this harmony.
4. These arrests have highlighted the need to acquire knowledge from credible and accredited sources. The rigorous efforts made by the Islamic religious community in Singapore to address this thus far are commendable. At the same time, we believe that what is equally important is to dispel misconceptions about the religion by both Muslims and non-Muslims alike.
5. Events that are organised with the aim of promoting racial and religious understanding will go a long way in preserving the peace and harmony that we have enjoyed thus far. As AMP continues our efforts in organising such events, it is our hope that other like-minded organisations will do the same as we work together to further strengthen our social fabric.

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