

MHA COMMITTEE OF SUPPLY DEBATE 2025

Building a Future-Oriented and Trusted Home Team



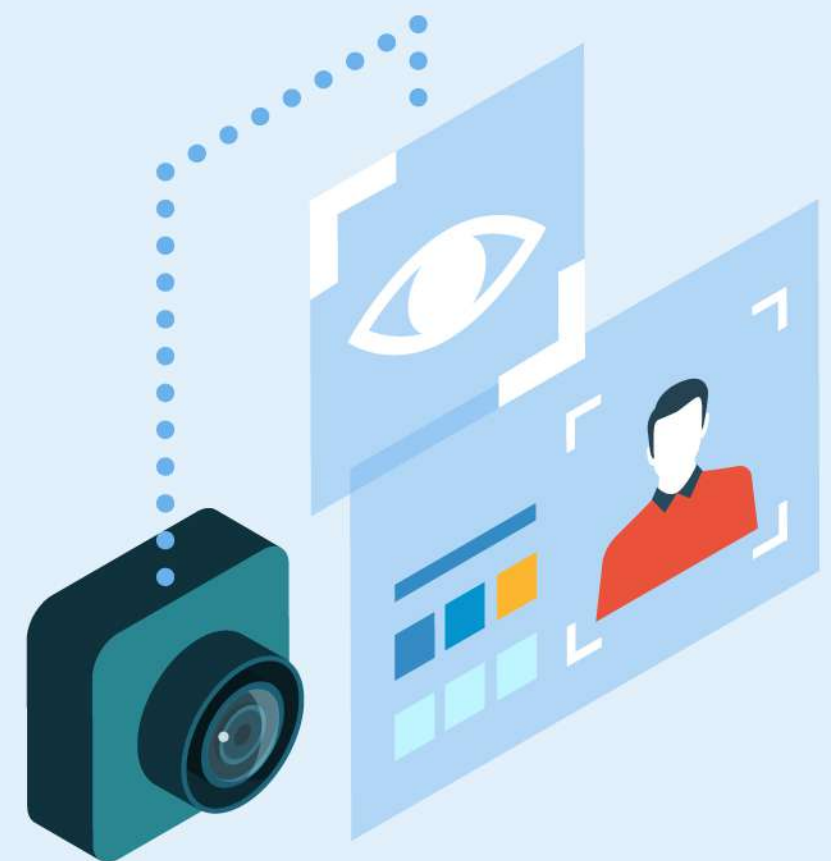
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Next Bound of Transformation

We will embark on these initiatives to tackle manpower constraints in an increasingly complex threat landscape:

#1 Leverage Technologies

- Use AI to increase organisational effectiveness
- Leverage smart and autonomous solutions to detect threats earlier and respond faster



#2 Review Laws and Regulatory Frameworks

- Make our criminal justice system more effective to fight cybercrime
- Better leverage technology to combat cybercrimes



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#3

Equip Officers with Necessary Competencies

- Develop AI training roadmap for officers and implement safeguards and frameworks for AI projects
- Equip officers to deal with rapidly evolving cybercrimes based on a cybercrime competency framework

#4

Expand Foreign Recruitment Pool

- Recruit foreigners as Emergency Medical Services personnel and Auxiliary Police Officers
- All recruits will undergo rigorous training, accreditation and have to meet stipulated requirements
- Singaporeans to remain as the majority of these officers



Anti-Scam Efforts

We will ramp up anti-scam efforts as scams remain a huge concern.

#1 Defend Against Scams Involving Self-Effectuated Money Transfers

- Protection from Scams Bill was introduced last year to protect individuals who do not believe that they are being scammed
- Partner banks to strengthen their scam prevention measures e.g. improve authentication methods to protect accounts from phishing and malware



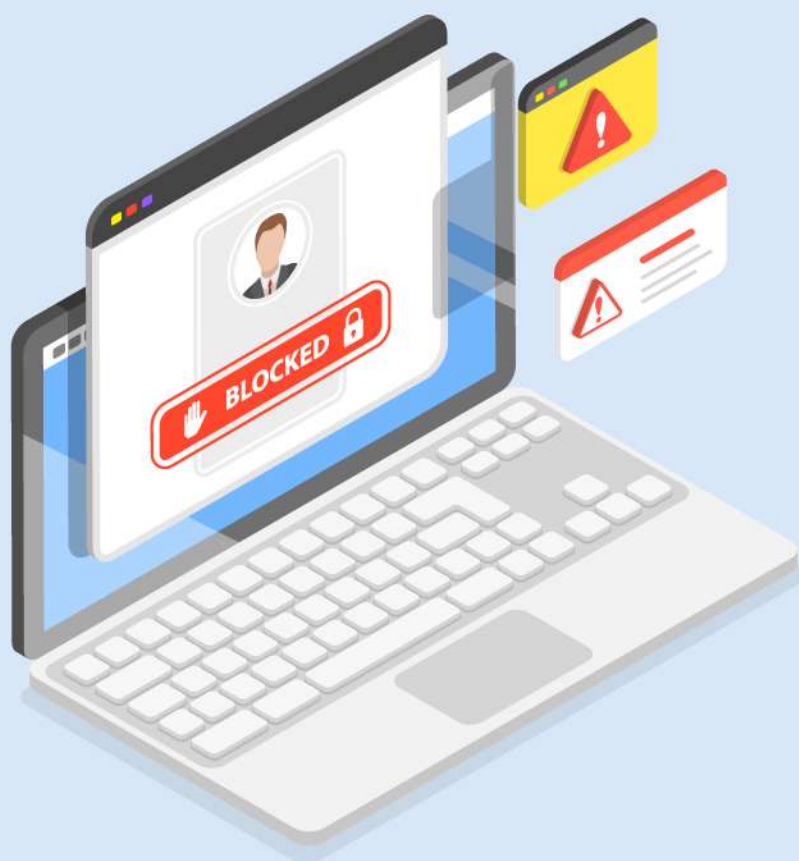
#2 Tackle Scam Calls and SMSes

- Operationalised offences involving SIM cards to prevent abuse of the cards
- Expanded enforcement efforts against money mule activities

Anti-Scam Efforts

#3 Prevent Cryptocurrency Losses

Advised the public to avoid investing in cryptocurrencies, which scammers are increasingly exploiting



#4 Safeguard Online Space

Urged social media platforms to adopt measures against scams and other criminal activities on their platforms

#5 Empower the Public to Self-Protect

Refreshed public education initiatives on scams
e.g. encourage use of ScamShield Suite and update the public regularly on high-loss scams



Preventive Drug Education for Youths

We will expand our preventive drug education for youths as the increasing number of young drug abusers is a concern.

#1 Strengthen DrugFreeSG Champions

- Enhance the skills and knowledge of DrugFreeSG Champions
- Organise the second DrugFreeSG Champions Conference in March 2025 to give them insights on drug matters



#2 Hold Annual Drug Victims Remembrance Day to Promote Anti-Drug Awareness

#3 Work with schools and parents

CNB will work with MOE to invite Parent Support Group leaders to participate in capability building sessions on drug-related topics



Rehabilitation and Reintegration

We will enhance the reintegration of ex-drug abusers, and the rehabilitation and reintegration of inmates and ex-offenders



#1 Reintegration of Ex-Drug Abusers

Operationalise Supervision 2.0 to enhance the supervision and reintegration of ex-drug abusers into society

#2 Rehabilitation and Reintegration of Inmates and Ex-Offenders

- Established Reintegration Hub to consolidate the delivery of intervention programmes
- Trialling Family Engagement Model to strengthen inmates' relationships with their families
- Refined Career Circles programme which enhances career facilitation for ex-offenders
- Partnering community stakeholders to help ex-offenders reintegrate better

