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PRESS STATEMENT

Amendments to the MRA Rules of Racing and Regulations

Annex A sets out the amendments (highlighted in bold) to the MRA Rules of Racing and Regulations for implementation effective from 20 August 2016.

Registration of Professional Trainer Licence

2 Application for a Professional Trainer licence by Danis Luke Navaratnam was officially registered with MRA.

3 He has six months (till 22 February 2017) to secure stabling facilities at any of the four associated Clubs, failing which his registration will lapse.

Extension of the deadline to obtain Stabling Facilities

4 The deadline to obtain stabling facilities at one of the associated Clubs of MRA for Richardo Le Grange was extended. He has until 31 January 2017 to secure stabling facilities at any of the Associated Clubs of MRA, failing which his registration will lapse.

Applications for Assistant Trainer Licences

5 Lee Soo Hin, Deva Raj a/l Subramaniam, Jason Ong Koon Yew, Scott Thomas Bailey and Zairi bin Othman were granted Assistant Trainer licences for the remaining of the 2016 racing season. They are attached to Trainers Leslie Khoo Peng Ann, Leong Poh Keong, Rangi Bruce Marsh, Shane Donald Baertschiger and James Francis Peters respectively.

Applications for Stable Supervisor Licences

6 The following persons were granted Stable Supervisor licences for the remaining of the 2016 racing season:

	<u>Stable Supervisor</u>	<u>Employer (Trainer)</u>
.1	Mohd Eirwan bin Khalid	Bonny Ng Yuen Peng
.2	Shaugi bin Soaidi	Mark William Walker

**AMENDMENTS TO MRA RULES OF RACING 9(7) AND 43(2)
AND MRA REGULATION 27.2**

MRA RULES OF RACING

PART III : THE COMMITTEE, LOCAL COMMITTEE AND RACING STEWARDS

General Powers of the Local Committee

Rule 9 (7)

The Local Committee shall have the power to grant or to refuse to grant and to renew or to refuse to renew Jockey licences, Visiting Jockey licences, Apprentice Jockey licences, Visiting Apprentice Jockey licences and Visiting Trainer licences at any time without assigning any reason whatsoever, to suspend, vary or revoke any such licence.

Provided always that the Local Committee shall not grant a licence to any person whose application to the Committee for the grant or the renewal of any licence, permit or pass was previously rejected, unless that person shall have first obtained leave of the Committee.

Every application for renewal of any licence shall be treated and regarded in all respects and for all purposes as if it were the first application by the applicant for such a licence.

PART VI : RIDERS

Jockeys shall obtain a licence from an Associated Club

Rule 43

- (2) The issue of any Jockey licence shall be at the discretion of the Local Committee and may be unrestricted or granted subject to such restrictions and/or conditions as the Local Committee may impose.

Provided always that the Local Committee shall not grant a licence to any person whose application to the Committee for the grant or the renewal of any licence, permit or pass was previously rejected, unless that person shall have first obtained leave of the Committee.

MRA REGULATION

PERSONS: LICENCED OR REGISTERED

Licences, Permits, Registrations and MRA Passes

Regulation 27.2

The Committee or the Local Committee as the case may be has the absolute discretion:

- (a) to grant or to refuse to grant or to renew or to refuse to renew licences or permits to Trainers, Assistant Trainers, Riders and other applicants for licences from the Association or Associated Club and at any time without assigning any reason whatsoever, to suspend, vary or revoke any such licence;
- (b) to register or refuse to register and to renew or to refuse to renew the registration of owners and other applicants for registration with the Association;
- (c) to grant or to refuse to grant and to renew or to refuse to renew MRA Passes to stable employees and other applicants for MRA Passes.

Provided always that the Local Committee shall not grant a licence to any person whose application to the Committee for the grant or the renewal of any licence, permit or pass was previously rejected, unless that person shall have first obtained leave of the Committee.