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Dear FOM Volunteers and Members,

Hope you and your loved ones around the world are safe.

The Singapore Government has announced new measures to act as a “circuit breaker” to preempt the increase in local transmission of COVID-19.

According to these measures, all non-essential services/businesses must stop operations at their workplaces and move to telecommuting from home where possible. To comply with the new measures, the FOM office will be closed for four weeks from 7 April 2020 until 4 May 2020 (inclusive). All museums in Singapore will also be closed during this period.

FOM has already suspended all docent led tours until the end of July. This suspension may be extended if necessary. All FOM public events are currently suspended. Member events that require meeting in person have also been cancelled. Docent training has concluded and Mentor tours have moved either online or postponed to a later date.

As members of the public, we are strongly advised to:

- Stay at home and avoid going out, except to buy daily necessities, essential services, or for urgent medical needs;
- Wear a mask if going out cannot be avoided;
- Suspend all social gatherings and social contact should be confined to immediate family members living in the same household during this period;
- Practice safe distancing, even in open spaces or when exercising; and
- If feeling unwell, see a doctor immediately.

More details are available on the Ministry of Health website at www.moh.gov.sg

Thank you for your support and understanding during these challenging times.

Please stay safe and healthy,



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