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## **MEDIA RELEASE**

### **Singapore Table Tennis Association (STTA) launches its 8<sup>th</sup> Zone Training Centre at Singapore Sports School (Sports School)**

SINGAPORE, 25 January 2018 – STTA and Sports School jointly signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) today at Sports School. This is an important milestone for STTA and Sports School, as both parties aim to develop and nurture more young and potential athletes.

The MOU was signed by Ms Wong Hui Leng, STTA CEO and Mr Tan Teck Hock, Sports School Principal and the ceremony was witnessed by Singapore Sports School's Board Chairman and Permanent Secretary for Ministry for Culture, Community and Youth, Ms Yeoh Chee Yan and STTA President, Ellen Lee PBM

Said STTA President, Ellen Lee PBM, " At present, the STTA has zone training centres located at Toa Payoh, Bishan, Yishun, Hougang, Pasir Ris, Clementi and Jurong West. By setting up the 8<sup>th</sup> zone training centre at Sports School which is located at Woodlands, this will further expand our efforts to develop more young talents.

She added, "We have had a strong working partnership with Sports School for many years and we are delighted to further consolidate this strong relationship and our drive for sport excellence. This is definitely a great start for the new year."

"The School's partnership with STTA has been a fruitful one over the years. Together, our coaches have been responsible for grooming multiple medal winners at the SEA Games, Commonwealth Games, and podium finishes at International Table Tennis Federation competitions. Currently, 3 National Team athletes and 9 out of 11 athletes in the Intermediate Squad (IS) are from Sports School.

We are pleased to be partnering STTA in this project which caters to the growing interest in table tennis among young children in Singapore, and also contribute towards the development of future athletes for Team Singapore" said Mr Tan Teck Hock, Principal, Singapore Sports School.

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