

**OPEN-ENDED INTERGOVERNMENTAL WORKING GROUP ON THE
PREVENTION OF CORRUPTION
THEMATIC COMPILATION OF RELEVANT INFORMATION SUBMITTED
BY Singapore
Article 8, Paragraph 5
Asset and Interest Disclosure Systems
Singapore (ninth session)**

<p>8(5)</p> <p>Each State Party shall endeavour, where appropriate and in accordance with the fundamental principles of its domestic law, to establish measures and systems requiring public officials to make declarations to appropriate authorities regarding, inter alia, their outside activities, employment, investments, assets and substantial gifts or benefits from which a conflict of interest may result with respect to their functions as public officials.</p>	<p>Please describe (cite and summarize) the measures/steps your country has taken, if any, (or is planning to take, together with the related appropriate time frame) to ensure full compliance with article 8(5), and in particular to establish measures and systems requiring public officials to make declarations to appropriate authorities, inter alia, their outside activities, employment, investments, assets and substantial gifts or benefits from which a conflict of interest may result with respect to their functions as public officials.</p> <p>As set out under the Singapore Government Instruction Manual:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Public officers are required to seek approval before they can engage in outside activities that are related to their official duties and in outside employment. They are to ensure that there should be no conflict of interest between their official duties and their participation in these outside activities.- Public officers are required to make annual declarations of interests in investments and properties to the head of their agency, including investments and properties owned by their spouse and financially-dependent children.- Public officers may not receive any gifts offered to them on account of their official position or work; where declining a gift is deemed inappropriate, the officer may accept the gift but has to declare its receipt immediately. Public officers are also not allowed to accept an invitation or entertainment from members of the public which will place them under any real or apparent obligation to these members of the public.
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