



*Prime Minister  
Singapore*

27 January 2008

Dear President Yudhoyono,

Please accept my deepest condolences and sympathies to the Indonesian people on the passing of Bapak Soeharto.

Pak Soeharto was a patriot who loved his country deeply. Under his leadership, Indonesia made tremendous progress. In regional affairs, Pak Soeharto's leadership, vision and statesmanship enabled all ASEAN countries to grow and prosper in peace, and made ASEAN a respected player in the Asia Pacific.

Pak Soeharto saw that Indonesia and Singapore had much to gain by cooperating with each another. He set the strategic direction along which his ministers worked to build many substantive cooperation projects. The strong bilateral ties that Pak Soeharto fostered, based on mutual benefit, mutual respect and equality, will long be appreciated and remembered by Singaporeans.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lee Hsien Loong".

HE Dr Susilo Bambang Yudhoyono  
President  
Republic of Indonesia