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A LEVEL PLAYING FIELD?

"The Government is mindful that the PAP should not be perceived as having the playing field made more unlevel. Boundary changes were minimal and, where there were changes, not significantly detrimental to the opposition.

Nagging concerns remain over the Boundaries Review Committee though, not helped by SM Goh’s remarks over creating a GRC for Chiam See Tong and Low Thia Khiang, as well as the ‘disappearance’ of Ayer Rajah and Bukit Timah with the retirement of their long-time MPs.

Campaigning has begun in earnest, so the ‘snap elections’ complaint cannot be legitimately raised by the opposition."

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