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Singapore PM declares week-long national mourning, to address nation

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USPA News - Singapore Prime Minister Lee Hsien Loong has declared a week-long period of national mourning following the death of Lee Kuan Yew and will address the nation at 8 a.m. local time. Lee Kuan Yew's body will lie in state from Wednesday through Saturday, after which a state funeral service will take place on Sunday afternoon.

A statement from the office of Singapore Prime Minister Lee Hsien Loong is copied below. STARTS STATEMENT FROM THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE The Prime Minister has declared a period of National Mourning from 23 March (Monday) to 29 March (Sunday). 2 As a mark of respect to the late Mr Lee Kuan Yew, the State flags on all Government buildings will be flown at half-mast from today to Sunday. 3 A private family wake will be held from 23 March (Monday) to 24 March (Tuesday) at Sri Temasek. 4 Mr Lee's body will lie in state at Parliament House from 25 March (Wednesday) to 28 March (Saturday), for the public to pay their respects. Those who wish to pay their last respects at Parliament House can do so from 10 am to 8 pm daily from Wednesday to Saturday. 5 A State Funeral Service will be held at 2 pm on 29 March (Sunday) at the University Cultural Centre, National University of Singapore. 6 The State Funeral Service will be attended by the late Mr Lee's family, friends and staff, the President, Cabinet Ministers, Members of Parliament, Old Guards, senior civil servants, grassroots leaders and Singaporeans from all walks of life. The State Funeral Service will be followed by a private cremation at Mandai Crematorium. 7 Condolence books and cards will be available in front of Istana by the Main Gate from Monday to Sunday, for those who wish to pen their tributes to the late Mr Lee. Condolence books will also be opened at all Overseas Missions for overseas Singaporeans and friends. 8 The public can express their condolences and share their memories of the late Mr Lee at the official website, <http://www.rememberingleekuaneyew.sg>. 9 The public can call the 24-hour hotline at 6336 1166 with queries, or visit <http://www.rememberingleekuaneyew.sg> and <http://www.facebook.com/rememberingleekuaneyew> for more details. 10 The Prime Minister will be addressing the nation "live" at 8 am today. ENDS.

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