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Abdullah Bin Tarmugi is currently the Speaker of Parliament, Singapore, a position he has held since March 2002.

Mr. Abdullah started his career in the Ministry of National Development, working as an Urban Sociologist until 1971 and there after as a Senior Statistician/Planning Analyst until 1980. He subsequently joined the Straits Times as a Leader/Feature writer and later Associate News Editor until 1984. From 1984 to 1993, Mr. Abdullah was a Research Manager with Singapore Press Holdings Ltd.

Mr. Abdullah has also been pursuing an active and varied political career since 1984. He has been the Member of Parliament for Siglap since 1984 (now within the East Coast Group Representatives Constituency), was a Deputy Speaker of Parliament from 1989 to 1993 and the Minister of State for the Ministry of Environment in 1993 and 1994. In 1994 and 1995, Mr. Abdullah also held the concurrent appointment of acting Minister of Community Development. In 1995, Mr. Abdullah was appointed the Senior Minister of State for the Ministry of Home Affairs. He assumed the position of Minister of Community Development and Sports from 1996 to March 2002.

Mr. Abdullah graduated in 1969 from the University of Singapore (now known as the National University of Singapore) with an honours degree in Social Science. He also holds a postgraduate diploma (merit) in Urban Studies from the University of London under the Commonwealth Scholarship in 1972.