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Singapore and Brunei Maritime Authorities Strengthen Ties Under Memorandum of Understanding on Maritime and Port Cooperation

The Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore (MPA) and the Maritime and Port Authority of Brunei Darussalam (MPABD) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) today to enhance maritime and port cooperation. The MOU was signed on the sidelines of the 12th Singapore-Brunei Young Leaders' Programme, held from 28 September to 2 October 2026.

2. The MOU was signed by Mr Ang Wee Keong, Chief Executive of MPA, and Captain (Ret.) Zil Husam bin Haji Abdul Rahman, Chief Executive of MPABD.
3. Under this MOU, MPA and MPABD will strengthen collaboration and exchanges in digitalisation, maritime safety, port State control inspection, incident investigation, training and other areas of mutual interest, with the aim of promoting safe, clean and efficient shipping.
4. Mr Ang Wee Keong, Chief Executive of MPA, highlighted, "The signing of this MOU underscores the special friendship and strong partnership between MPA and MPABD, which we have built up over the years. This MOU will further strengthen bilateral maritime cooperation and the close ties between Singapore and Brunei Darussalam."
5. Captain (Ret.) Zil Husam bin Haji Abdul Rahman, Chief Executive of MPABD, noted, "Through this MOU, we look forward to creating more opportunities for our officers to exchange knowledge, share experiences and work together in practical areas of maritime and port cooperation. We also hope to explore meaningful initiatives that can support further development of both our maritime sectors."

About the Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore (MPA)

MPA was established in 1996 with the mission to develop Singapore as a global hub port and international maritime centre, and to advance and safeguard Singapore's strategic maritime interests. MPA takes on multiple roles as Singapore's maritime and port regulator and planner, international maritime centre champion, national maritime representative, and champion of maritime digitalisation and decarbonisation efforts. MPA partners industry, research community and other agencies to enhance safety, security and environmental protection, facilitate maritime and port operations and growth, expand multi-domain capabilities, and support the cluster of maritime services and manpower development.

For more information, please visit www.mpa.gov.sg/.

About the Maritime and Port Authority of Brunei Darussalam (MPABD)

MPABD was established in 2017 as a statutory body under the Ministry of Transport and Infocommunications. MPABD serves as the national maritime and port regulator, responsible for ensuring the safety of navigation, environmental protection, and efficient port and marine services within Brunei Darussalam's waters. It also plays a key role in developing the maritime sector, advancing innovation and digitalisation, and representing Brunei Darussalam in regional and international maritime fora. Guided by its Navigating 2030 strategic direction, MPABD continues to support a safe, sustainable and future-ready maritime sector, while strengthening international collaboration and enhancing the overall efficiency and competitiveness of Brunei Darussalam's maritime industry.

For more information, please visit www.mpabd.gov.bn.

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