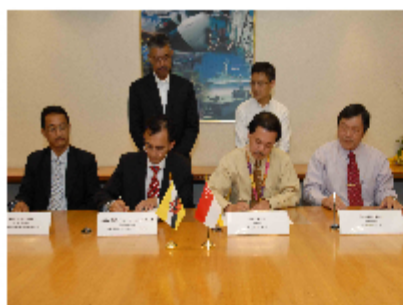


## RBTS inks MoUs with S'pore companies

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Lt Col (Rtd) Hj Amir Hamzah, Chief Executive of RBTS and Goh Lik Kok, General Manager of ST Synthesis, both signing the MoU. The MoU was co-signed by Major (Rtd) Hj Rosli bin Hj Ahmad, Senior Manager of RBTS, and Pua Hian Seng, Deputy General Manager, of ST Synthesis. Witnessing the event were Dato Paduka Awang Haji Abdul Majid, Permanent Secretary, Brunei Ministry of Defence, and Tan Pheng Hock, President and CEO, ST Engineering Ltd. - PHOTOS AND CAPTIONS COURTESY OF RBTS



Lt Col (Rtd) Hj Amir Hamzah bin Hj Hanafi, Chief Executive of Royal Brunei Technical Services (RBTS), shaking hands with Lau Thiam Beng, President of Singapore Technologies Electronics (Info-Comm Systems) Pte Ltd. The MoU was co-signed by Major (Rtd) Hj Rosli bin Hj Ahmad, Senior Manager of RBTS, and Kang Choon Seng, Vice President, ST Electronics (Info-Comm Systems) Pte Ltd. Witnessing the signing were Dato Paduka Awang Haji Abdul Majid bin Mangarshah, Permanent Secretary, Brunei Ministry of Defence, and Tan Pheng Hock, President and CEO, ST Engineering Ltd.

The Royal Brunei Technical Services (RBTS) yesterday signed two Memorandums of Understanding (MoUs) in Singapore, with two companies of Singapore Technologies Engineering Group (ST Engg).

The first MoU signing with ST Electronics (Info-Comm Systems) Pte Ltd (STEE-InfoComm) will see STEE-InfoComm supporting RBTS in setting up a maintenance centre for electronics and information communications systems and optical equipment at RBTS's facilities in Brunei, according to a press release.

The objective is for RBTS to establish an indigenous capability offering intermediate and deep-level maintenance of electronics and information communications systems and optical equipment to defence and security organisations in Brunei.

The second MoU signing with Singapore Technologies Synthesis Pte Ltd (ST Synthesis) will see ST Synthesis supporting RBTS in establishing a capability in equipment storage, inventory management, spares provisioning and optimisation, stock turnover, distribution, preservation and quality assurance.

The objective is for RBTS to offer services in the management of storehouses/warehouses to defence and security organisations, as well as other customers who are considering outsourcing their non-core and non-operational functions.

The press release also stated that both MoUs will include assisting RBTS in conducting comprehensive studies, developing its human capital through training and education, and putting in place work processes that will lead to quality system certifications.

In February this year, RBTS signed an MoU with Singapore Technologies Kinetics Ltd (ST Kinetics) where ST Kinetics will support RBTS in expanding its existing capabilities in vehicle, maintenance, repair and overhaul that was established since August 2005.

In 2007, RBTS won two contracts from the Ministry of Defence: 1) Upgrade of braking system for Armoured Personnel Carrier fleet of the Royal Brunei Armed Forces (RBAF) over a two-year period; and 2) A three-year contract for the maintenance, repair and supply of spare parts for Leyland vehicles of the RBAF.

RBTS's Chief Executive Officer, Lieutenant Colonel (Rtd) Haji Amir Hamzah bin Haji Hanafi, signed on behalf of RBTS, while STEE-InfoComm's Lau Thiam Beng, signed the MoU on behalf of STEE-InfoComm, and ST Synthesis's Vice President/General Manager, Goh Lik Kok, signed the MoU on behalf of ST Synthesis.

The Permanent Secretary at the Ministry of Defence, Brunei, Dato Paduka Awang Haji Abdul Majid bin Mangarshah, who was at Singapore Technologies Engineering (ST Engg) as part of his introductory visit to Singapore, witnessed the ceremony, together with Tan Pheng Hock, President & CEO, ST Engineering.

The indigenous support services will contribute to increased efficiency and effectiveness, cost savings and more added value to RBTS's customers, develop the nation's industrial base, as well as generate employment opportunities.

The appointment of RBTS as the official organiser of the Brunei International Defence Exhibition (BRIDEX) 2009 will facilitate and enhance these outcomes.