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Changes of Chief of Army and Chief of Air Force

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The President has accepted the advice of the Prime Minister that :

- Major-General (MAJ-GEN) Han Eng Juan relinquish his appointment as Chief of Army on 1 Jul 98, and that Brigadier-General (BG) Lim Chuan Poh, currently Commander 9th Division and concurrently Chief of Staff (General Staff), be appointed Chief of Army with effect from 1 Jul 98; and
- Major-General (MAJ-GEN) Goh Yong Siang relinquish his appointment as Chief of Air Force on 1 Jul 98, and that Brigadier-General (BG) Raymund Ng Teck Heng, currently Head Air Operations Department and concurrently Chief of Staff (Air Staff), be appointed Chief of Air Force with effect from 1 Jul 98.

The Prime Minister made these recommendations to the President following consultation with the Armed Forces Council.

The changes are part of the continuing process of leadership renewal and to release talented SAF officers to serve in other positions in the public and private sectors. MAJ-GEN Han will return to the Administrative Service while MAJ-GEN Goh will join Singapore Technologies Industrial Corporation Ltd on 1 Jul 98.

The incoming Chief of Army, BG Lim Chuan Poh, aged 37, joined the SAF in Dec 1979 and was awarded the SAF Overseas Scholarship in 1980. He holds a Bachelor of Arts (Hons) (Mathematics) Degree, a Master of Arts (Mathematics) Degree, both from the University of Cambridge, UK; as well as an MBA (Business Admin) from Cornell University, USA. In the course of his military career, he has held, amongst others, the appointments of Commanding Officer 3rd Singapore Infantry Regiment, Head Joint Plans Department and Commander 10th Singapore Infantry Brigade.

The incoming Chief of Air Force, BG Raymund Ng Teck Heng, a fighter pilot, aged 42,

joined the SAF in Dec 1974 and was awarded the Overseas Merit Scholarship in 1977. He holds a Bachelor of Science (Hons) (Aeronautics) Degree from the University of Manchester, UK, and an MBA (Business Admin) from Imperial College, UK. In the course of his military career, he has held, amongst others, the appointments of Squadron Commander, Head Joint Operations Department, Commander Tengah Air Base and Head Air Operations Department.

The Ministry of Defence wishes to express its deep appreciation to MAJ-GEN Han Eng Juan and MAJ-GEN Goh Yong Siang for their outstanding contributions to the development of the SAF

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