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## **RSAF Celebrates a Decade of Flight Training in Australia**

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RSAF and RAAF service personnel in a combined parade and formation flypast.

The Republic of Singapore Air Force (RSAF) celebrated ten years of flight training at its Flying Training School (FTS) in Pearce this morning. This also coincided with the 65th anniversary of the Royal Australian Air Force (RAAF) Base Pearce. To commemorate the occasion, joint celebratory activities, including a combined parade and a formation flypast by both air forces' aircraft, were organised. The RSAF Chief of Air Force, Major-General Lim

Kim Choon and the RAAF Chief of Air Force, Air Marshal Allan Grant Houston officiated at the joint celebrations.

The RSAF signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the RAAF to establish the FTS at RAAF Base Pearce in March 1993. The RSAF FTS Pearce conducts flight training using the Aermacchi S-211. Over the last ten years, the squadron has flown over 65,000 hours and more than 300 pilot trainees have successfully completed the Basic Wing Course. Singapore appreciates the extensive training opportunities which Australia has provided to the RSAF.

The theme for the anniversary celebrations, "Excellence Through Friendship", highlights the strong defence relations between the RSAF and the RAAF and the successful flight training operations at the RSAF FTS Pearce.



RSAF Chief of Air Force, Major-General Lim Kim Choon and RAAF Chief of Air Force, Air Marshal Allan Grant Houston, inspecting the parade.

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Fact Sheets:

- The RSAF Aermacchi S-211  
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