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463 SAF Officers Promoted

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Minister for Defence Teo Chee Hean presenting the certificate of promotion to Chief of Defence Force MG Desmond Kuek.

The Singapore Armed Forces (SAF) promoted 463 officers from the Army, Navy and Air Force to the next higher rank. The officers promoted include regulars and Operationally Ready National Servicemen (NSmen). Minister for Defence, Mr Teo Chee Hean presented certificates of

promotion to officers promoted into the ranks of Colonel (COL) and above at the annual SAF Officers' Promotion Ceremony held this evening. The promotions take effect from 1 Jul 07.

Heading the list of officers promoted is the Chief of Defence Force, Major-General (MG) Desmond Kuek Bak Chye, who was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant-General (LG). The Chief of Army, Brigadier-General (BG) Neo Kian Hong, and Chief of Air Force, Brigadier-General (BG) Ng Chee Khern were promoted to the rank of Major-General (MG).

The SAF requires officers to have consistently demonstrated a high level of competence, performance and potential before they are promoted to the rank of Brigadier General. This year, seven Colonels (COL) were promoted to the rank of Brigadier-General (BG) /Rear Admiral (One Star) (RADM). The seven officers are COL Chan Chun Sing, COL Hoo Cher Mou, COL Lim Chern Tjunn Philip, COL Ng Chee Peng, COL Tan Chuan-Jin, COL Tay Kian Seng and COL(Dr) Wong Chee Meng John.

The Chief of Defence Force also presented certificates of promotion to officers who were promoted to the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel (LTC).

The promotion exercise reflects MINDEF's recognition of the officers' performance and demonstrated potential, and the importance of recognising and retaining good officers to sustain a highly professional SAF.



Minister for Defence Teo Chee Hean interacting with promotees at the SAF Officers' Promotion Ceremony.

Fact Sheets:

- Fact Sheet: Senior SAF Officers Promoted in Rank (MINDEF_20070628002.pdf)

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