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## Commander of the Royal Brunei Navy Receives Prestigious Military Award

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The Commander of the Royal Brunei Navy (RBN), Yang Mulia Colonel (COL) Haji Abdul Halim bin Haji Mohd Hanifah, was conferred Singapore's prestigious military award, the Pingat Jasa Gemilang (Tentera) or Meritorious Service Medal (Military)], by Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Defence Teo Chee Hean at an investiture held at the Ministry of Defence this afternoon. The medal was awarded to COL Haji Abdul Halim in recognition of his commitment to deepening the relations between the RBN and the Republic of Singapore Navy (RSN).

Under COL Haji Abdul Halim's leadership, bilateral cooperation between the RBN and the RSN has grown from strength to strength. COL Haji Abdul Halim's commitment to deepening the navy-to-navy relations between Singapore and Brunei has helped improve bilateral cooperation in maritime security and information sharing. The RBN and RSN engage regularly in a broad range of activities, which include professional exchanges and bilateral exercises. These extensive interactions have strengthened the camaraderie and friendship between the personnel of the two navies.

COL Haji Abdul Halim, who is in Singapore from 27 to 29 Jan 2011, called on Mr Teo, Chief of Defence Force Lieutenant-General Neo Kian Hong and Chief of Navy Rear-Admiral Chew Men Leong before the investiture.



Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Defence Teo Chee Hean congratulating COL Haji Abdul Halim after conferring the Meritorious Service Medal (Military) on him at MINDEF.