

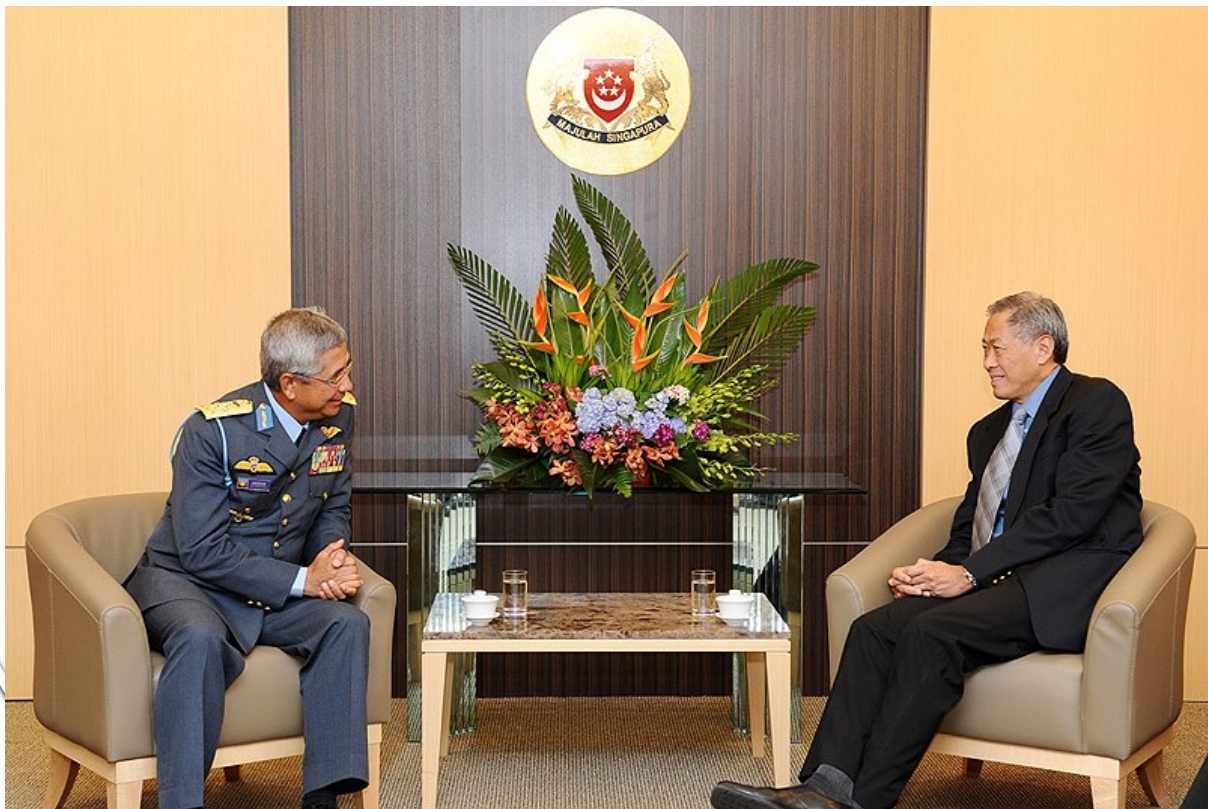


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## Malaysian Chief of Defence makes Farewell Call on Minister for Defence

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General Tan Sri Dato' Sri Azizan bin Ariffin calling on Minister for Defence Ng Eng Hen.

The Chief of Defence Force of the Malaysian Armed Forces (MAF), General (GEN) Tan Sri Dato' Sri Azizan bin Ariffin, called on Minister for Defence Dr Ng Eng Hen, at the Ministry of Defence this morning. GEN Azizan, who is in Singapore on a farewell visit from 1 to 3 June 2011, had earlier called on Chief of Defence Force Lieutenant-General Neo Kian Hong and will attend the Shangri-la Dialogue at Shangri-la Hotel tomorrow.

The visit by GEN Azizan underscores the long-standing defence ties between Singapore and Malaysia. The Singapore and Malaysian armed forces interact regularly through bilateral

activities such as Exercise Semangat Bersatu and Exercise Malapura, as well as through multilateral activities such as the Five Power Defence Arrangements (FPDA). Both forces have also been working closely to enhance maritime security through the Malacca Strait Patrols. These regular interactions have enhanced the mutual understanding and friendship between the personnel of the two armed forces.



General Tan Sri Dato' Sri Azizan bin Ariffin inspecting the Guard of Honour at the Ministry of Defence.

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