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Fact Sheet: Arrangement between the Republic of Singapore Navy and the Indonesian Navy Concerning Submarine Rescue Support and Cooperation

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The arrangement establishes a framework of submarine rescue support and cooperation between the Republic of Singapore Navy (RSN) and the Indonesian Navy (TNI AL). It also reaffirms the close and long-standing cooperation between the two navies, which is underpinned by regular interactions through bilateral exercises and professional exchanges.

The arrangement will ensure the following:

1. **Rescue Support.** An effective and reliable activation procedure between the RSN and the TNI AL's submarine operating authorities will be established. The RSN's submarine rescue system, which consists of the submarine and rescue support vessel MV Swift Rescue and the submersible rescue vessel, Deep Search and Rescue Six, will also be available to the TNI AL to provide support and assistance in the event of any submarine-related incidents.

2. **Enhance Interoperability.** Familiarisation visits between the two navies will be conducted to ensure personnel are familiar with operating systems, procedures and technical documentation. A joint standard operating procedure will also be developed to establish common processes in the conduct of rescue operations together. In addition, rescue exercises, both ashore and at sea, will be conducted to facilitate interoperability and maintain the proficiency of the personnel involved in submarine rescue operations.