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NS Mark Mass Pledging Moment at the Combined Rededication Ceremonies (CRCs) held during SAF Day on 1st July

The Singapore Armed Forces (SAF) Day Combined Rededication Ceremonies (CRCs) have been held annually since 1 July 1987. This year's CRCs, organised by civilian partner organisations on a voluntary basis, were held across four locations in Singapore: Temasek Polytechnic, Procter and Gamble Singapore Innovation Center, Trade Association Hub and Suntec Singapore Convention and Exhibition Centre. These organisers in turn invite their business partners as well as companies located in their zones to participate in the CRCs. The participants at these CRCs are Operationally Ready National Servicemen (NSmen), their employers and civilian colleagues.

At these ceremonies, NSmen reaffirmed their pledge of loyalty and dedication to Singapore and the SAF. To mark the significance of the occasion, a Minister was invited to officiate at each of the four ceremonies. At the North/North-East Zone held at the Temasek Polytechnic, Minister for Defence Dr Ng Eng Hen, officiated the rededication ceremony. At the South/CBD Zone rededication ceremony held at Procter and Gamble (P&G) Singapore Innovation Center, Minister for Sustainability and the Environment Ms Grace Fu officiated the rededication ceremony. The West Zone rededication ceremony was held at Trade Association Hub and it was officiated by Dr Tan See Leng, Minister for Manpower and Second Minister for Trade and Industry. The East Zone rededication ceremony was held at Suntec Singapore Convention & Exhibition Centre and it was officiated by Mr Masagos Zulkifli Bin Masagos Mohamad, Minister for Social and Family Development, Second Minister for Health and Minister-in-charge of Muslims Affairs.

During the CRCs, more than 300 employers and businesses came together with their NSmen employees to reaffirm their loyalty and allegiance to the SAF and pledge their commitment to Singapore's defence.

In commemoration of NS55, participating businesses and organisations also pledged their support for NS through the NS Mark Accreditation Scheme during the ceremonies. This bears testament to the collective commitment of employers in supporting their NSmen employees as they fulfil their NS obligations.



Company Representatives proudly displaying their NS Mark at the CBD/South Zone CRC, organised by Procter & Gamble.



At Temasek Polytechnic, Minister for Defence, Dr Ng Eng Hen (middle), together with President of the Association of Small & Medium Enterprises (ASME), Mr Kurt Wee (third from right) commemorated SAF Day with a cake cutting ceremony.



At the P&G Singapore Innovation Centre, Minister for Sustainability and the Environment, Ms Grace Fu (centre) and Mr Magesvaran Suranjan, President of P&G Asia Pacific Middle East & Africa (third from the right) took part in the ceremony with supportive employers and NSmen.



Minister of Trade and Industry, Dr Tan See Leng (third from the left in the front row) reciting the SAF Pledge together with Mr Kho Choon Keng, President of Singapore Chinese Chamber of Commerce & Industry (SCCCI) (third from the right in the front row) during the West Zone CRC, held at Trade Association Hub.



The East Zone CRC was held at the Suntec Singapore Convention and Exhibition Centre and organised by the Singapore Manufacturing Federation (SMF). It was officiated by the Minister for Social and Family Development, Mr Masagos Zulkifli (Centre).

National Service is the bedrock of our national defence that provides economic and social stability. On this SAF Day, as we pledge our allegiance to the SAF, we also thank all employers whose steadfast support are paramount to ensure that our NSmen are able to defend Singapore with a peace of mind.

For more information of the NS Mark Accreditation Scheme and how your company can support NS and your NSman employees, please visit <https://go.gov.sg/ns-mark-scheme>.