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News Release

DSTA AND DEFENDTEX SIGN MOU TO ADVANCE INNOVATION IN ROBOTICS AND MUNITIONS SAFETY

Singapore's Defence Science and Technology Agency (DSTA) and Australia's DefendTex have signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to explore collaborative opportunities in platform-launched drones, munitions safety, and novel unmanned vehicle (UxV) concept of operations for Singapore's defence needs.

The partnership aims to leverage DefendTex's expertise in rapid prototyping and development of next-generation autonomous systems and smart weapons to enhance the operational capabilities for the Singapore Armed Forces (SAF).

"We look forward to working with innovative tech collaborators such as DefendTex to bring fresh perspectives and enhance the development of next-generation unmanned systems for defence applications. As security challenges continue to evolve, the ability to adapt quickly, experiment with robotics and autonomy, and pivot when needed will be critical in delivering impactful solutions. This collaboration underscores DSTA's commitment to push the boundaries in these tech domains for the SAF to stay ahead.", said DSTA's Director Land Systems, Mr Alex Lee.

"DSTA is a valued partner of DefendTex. Together, the two organisations will advance the fields of platform launched drones, UxV concepts and innovation as well as munition safety with the common goal of delivering new capabilities to the SAF. DSTA's innovative spirit and willingness to adopt new technologies is complemented by DefendTex's track record of rapid design, development and manufacture of market-leading autonomous systems.", said Mr Travis Reddy, Chief Executive Officer of DefendTex.

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About Defence Science and Technology Agency

The Defence Science and Technology Agency (DSTA) is a top-notch technology organisation that drives innovation and delivers state-of-the-art capabilities to make the Singapore Armed Forces a formidable fighting force. Harnessing and exploiting science and technology, our engineers and IT professionals leverage multidisciplinary expertise to equip our soldiers with advanced systems to defend Singapore. DSTA also contributes its technological expertise to support national-level developments. To achieve our mission, DSTA excels in systems engineering, digitalised platforms, cyber, software development and more.

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About DefendTex

DefendTex is an Australian defence technology company specialising in rapid innovation, autonomous systems, and next-generation munitions. Known for its agile development and disruptive solutions, DefendTex delivers high-impact technologies for global defence forces.

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