MOU ON ESSENTIAL SUPPLIES

1. Singapore and Australia signed the MOU on Essential Supplies on 24 November 2026 at the sidelines of the 11th Singapore-Australia Annual Leaders' Meeting (ALM) in Canberra, Australia.

2. The MOU was signed by Singapore Minister for Sustainability and the Environment and Minister-in-charge of Trade Relations Grace Fu and Australia Minister for Foreign Affairs Penny Wong. It was exchanged in a ceremony witnessed by Singapore Prime Minister Lawrence Wong and Australia Prime Minister Anthony Albanese.

Key Features

3. Under the Protocol on Economic Resilience and Essential Supplies signed in July 2026, Singapore and Australia commit to endeavour not to adopt or maintain export restrictions on agreed essential items. The Protocol also establishes means for advance notification and consultation, as well as the review and withdrawal of measures. The Protocol will enter into force upon the completion of domestic procedures on both sides.

4. This MOU supplements the Protocol by extending Singapore's and Australia's commitments to support trade flows in a broader range of essential supplies beyond petroleum oils and liquefied natural gas. These include:

    - Agricultural chemicals and inputs such as crop protection products and fertilisers
    - Construction materials
    - Food
    - Fuel and fuel additives
    - Pharmaceuticals and medical products
    - Renewable energy technologies
    - Semiconductors
    - Telecommunications equipment
    - Traffic signaling equipment
    - Water treatment chemicals

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