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HSA SIGNS TWO MEMORANDA OF UNDERSTANDING WITH OVERSEAS COUNTERPARTS

The Health Sciences Authority (HSA) of Singapore signed two Memoranda of Understanding (MOUs) with the Irish Medicines Board (IMB) of Ireland and Medsafe of New Zealand respectively on 14 Oct 2010.

2 The MOUs were signed at the 5th International Summit of Heads of Medicines Regulatory Agencies in England.

3 These newly inked MOUs enhance information exchange on regulation of therapeutic products. HSA also sees more opportunities for future collaborations in areas of trainings and evaluation of therapeutic products with the formalization of bilateral ties with these valued partners.

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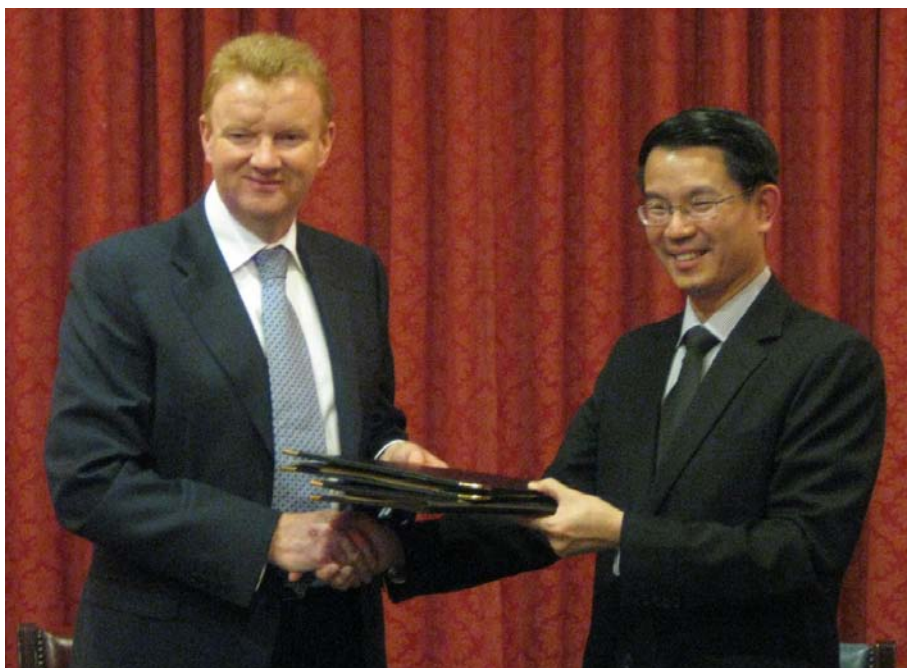
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***Dr John Lim, CEO of HSA and Dr Stewart Jessamine of New Zealand's Medsafe
at the MOU Signing Ceremony.***



***Dr John Lim, CEO of HSA and Mr Pat O'Mahony, CEO of Irish Medicines Board
at the MOU Signing Ceremony.***