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## **UAE**, Singapore sign comprehensive partnership agreements

SINGAPORE, 28th February, 2019 (WAM) -- His Highness Sheikh Mohamed bin Zayed Al Nahyan, Crown Prince of Abu Dhabi and Deputy Supreme Commander of the UAE Armed Forces, and Lee Hsien Loong, Prime Minister of Singapore, witnessed the signing of a comprehensive partnership agreement between the UAE and Singapore, along with a number of memoranda of understanding, MoUs, in the education, technology, and environment sectors, with the aim to benefit both countries interests.

Dr. Anwar bin Mohammed Gargash, Minister of State for Foreign Affairs, signed the comprehensive partnership agreement between the UAE and Singapore, alongside Dr. Mohammed Malki bin Othman, Senior Minister of State for Defence and Foreign Affairs.

An agreement was signed between ADNOC and Nanyang Technological University, NTU Singapore, was signed by Dr. Sultan bin Ahmad Sultan Al Jaber, Minister of State and ADNOC Group CEO, and Professor Alan Chan, Vice President (Alumni & Advancement) at NTU Singapore.

Dr. Thani bin Ahmed Al Zeyoudi, Minister of Climate Change and Environment, and Masagos Zulkifli, Minister for the Environment and Water Resources, signed an MoU on the protection of the environment. As for green projects development and applying best practices, Khaldoon Khalifa Al Mubarak, Chairman of Abu Dhabi Executive Affairs Authority, and Dr Leong Chee Chiew, Deputy Chief Executive Officer and Commissioner of Parks & Recreation at the National Parks Board.

Sheikh Mohamed bin Zayed expressed his hope that through the signing of these agreements, the two countries will work together towards broadening spheres of cooperation and joint action, serving the interests of both countries and their peoples.

He added that UAE-Singapore ties are witnessing tangible developments, driven by the mutual desire of the two friendly countries to diversify cooperation in new areas contributing to the overall progress of the two countries.

The UAE and Singapore have succeeded in adopting development models and emulating infrastructure projects via advanced international standards, His Highness affirmed.

Also attending the signings were Suhail bin Mohammed Faraj Faris Al Mazrouei, Minister of Energy and Industry; Hussain bin Ibrahim Al Hammadi, Minister of Education; Noura bint Mohammed Al Kaabi, Minister of Culture and Knowledge Development; Ali bin Hammad Al Shamsi, Deputy Secretary-General of the Supreme National Security Council; Mohamed Mubarak Al Mazrouei, Under-Secretary of the Abu Dhabi Crown Prince's Court, and Mohammed Omar Abdullah Belfaqeeh, UAE Ambassador to Singapore.

The Singaporean delegation attending the meeting included Tharman Shanmugaratnam, Coordinating Minister for Economic and Social Policies; Vivian Balakrishnan, Minister of Foreign Affairs; S. Iswaran, Minister for Communications and Information; Dr. Mohammed Malki bin Othman, Senior Minister of State for Defence and Foreign Affairs; Benny Lee, Principal Private Secretary of the President, and Samuel Tan, Ambassador of Singapore to the UAE, along with a number of officials.

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