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## Security Association Singapore and Hitachi Asia sign MoU to set up a Business Continuity Operations Centre

**Singapore, March 03, 2021** – **Security Association Singapore** ("SAS") and **Hitachi Asia Ltd.** ("Hitachi Asia"), announced today that SAS and Hitachi Asia, have signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to build a Business Continuity Operations Centre (BCOC) for the security industry in Singapore.

The BCOC will meet part of the requirements of the new Security Agency Competency Evaluation announced in Parliament by Minister of State (Home Affairs) Desmond Tan on 1 March 2021 and will be part of a packaged solution that SAS will introduce to help security agencies meet the new criteria.

Both organizations have a common belief that security agencies need to move away from a headcount-based model, to deliver on-demand integrated security solutions powered by technology for real-time monitoring and intervention.

Security agencies' business continuity revolves around ensuring that the agency can maintain command and control of its officers and operations even if its command centre is down. The BCOC is the only solution in Singapore that will be able to provide security agencies with a plug-and-play standby command centre.

SAS and Hitachi are delighted to partner with each other on this initiative that will improve the standards of the security industry in Singapore and ensure seamless provision of services even in a crisis.

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## **About Security Association of Singapore**

Security Association Singapore ("SAS") is the lead trade association for the security industry representing over 170 members comprising of security agencies, security systems companies and training organizations. We are a leading voice in the sector, working with government agencies, fellow associations, and related organizations to represent the interests of our members, bring benefits to them, and improve the professionalism and standards in the industry. SAS's mission is to better serve our Members. We are passionate and committed to achieving industry transformation for the security industry, for the benefit of security agencies, security officers, service buyers and consumers of security services.

Visit www.sas.org.sg for more information.

## About Hitachi Asia Ltd.

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