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The 11th Asia-Pacific Programme for Senior Military Officers (APPSMO) was held at the Sentosa Resort and Spa from 4-10 August 2008. Organised by the S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies (RSIS), Nanyang Technological University, APPSMO 09 saw one of the largest participation of senior military officers since its inauguration in 1999. 51 participants from 24 countries were involved in the programme this year.

The military officers participated in a series of seminars and discussions that included distinguished speakers from Singapore and overseas. A wide range of topics were addressed pertaining to security and policy concerns such as post-war peace building, the impact of the world economic crisis, **climate change and conflict**, defence security in South Asia, the media and international conflict, terrorism and international security, and the new dimensions in international security.

It was not all work and no play as the participants of APPSMO 09 were also treated to a variety of activities including visits to the Singapore Armed Forces' Centre for Military Experimentation and Changi Naval Base. As APPSMO 09 coincided with Singapore's National Day on 9 August, the participants were invited to the National Day Parade at Marina Bay.

APPSMO 09 will be remembered by its participants not only for the many stimulating talks and discussions on security issues, but also for the relationships built that will last beyond their stay in Singapore.

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Background Information

About the S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies (RSIS)

The S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies (RSIS) was inaugurated on 1 January 2007 as an autonomous School within the Nanyang Technological University (NTU), upgraded from its previous incarnation as the Institute of Defence and Strategic Studies (IDSS), which was established in 1996.

The School exists to develop a community of scholars and policy analysts at the forefront of Asia-Pacific security studies and international affairs. Its three core functions are research, graduate teaching and networking activities in the Asia-Pacific region. It produces cutting-edge security related research in Asia-Pacific Security, Conflict and Non-Traditional Security, International Political Economy, and Country and Area Studies.

The School's activities are aimed at assisting policymakers to develop comprehensive approaches to strategic thinking on issues related to security and stability in the Asia-Pacific and their implications for Singapore.

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