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MOU AND CONTRACTS WORTH RM7.3 BILLION FOR THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE SIGNED AT DSA & NATSEC ASIA 2024

1. **KUALA LUMPUR, 8 May 2024** - The signing ceremony of Contract Documents, Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), and the handing over of the Letter of Acceptance (LOA), Letter of Intent (LOI) and Corporate Integrity System Malaysia (CISM) Certificate by the Ministry of Defence (MINDEF), Malaysia was hosted today in the Defence Services Asia (DSA) Exhibition & Conference 2024 and National Security (NATSEC) Asia 2024.

2. The event witnessed **40 signings worth RM7.3 billion** with the breakdown are as follows:

- i. 17 Letter of Acceptance (RM3.30 billion);
- ii. 7 Contracts (RM1.90 billion);
- iii. 4 Letter of Intent (RM1.83 billion);
- iv. 10 Memorandum of Understanding (RM280 million); and
- v. 2 Corporate Integrity System Malaysia Certificate.

3. I would also like to highlight the ongoing procurement of new assets for the Malaysian Armed Forces (MAF). For the **Malaysian Army**, we will receive **18 units of Anti-Tank Guided Weapon - Medium Range (ATGW-MR)** from **Tukiye**. This asset will be equipped the infantry battalion to increase the capability of fire power of the Malaysian Army.

4. Royal Malaysian Air Force (RMAF) will replace the existing Air Surveillance Radar (ASR) and Air Traffic Management (ATM) system to a new system. This system is needed in ensuring safety movement of aircraft and the expeditious flow of air traffic. These assets will help RMAF to observe Malaysian airspace to maintain the sovereignty of the nation and to provide the RMAF Air Traffic Services with the latest state of the arrival's technology.

5. The **Royal Malaysian Navy (RMN)** will diligently ensure maintenance of its current assets - surface fleet, submarines and helicopters to the highest operational readiness levels. **Contracts for three (3) RMN vessels - KD JEBAT, KD PERAK and KD BAUNG** have been signed to continue their refit program in collaboration with local shipyards. The Government is also looking forward to awarding the In-Service Support contract for the Prime Minister's Class Submarines to ensure operational availability and mission safety.

6. The success of DSA & NATSEC 2024 over the last 3 days also highlights symbiotic partnership between MINDEF, Malaysian Armed Forces (MAF) and defence industry as portrayed by today's MOU & Contract signing ceremony.

7. Alongside with the ceremony today, the Ministry of Defence is committed to promote integrity and to combat against corruption by promoting transparency, good governance and good business ethics amongst industrial players particularly contractor and serviceproviders who are actively engaged with defence procurement.

8. In order to achieve this, we are working closely with the Malaysian Institute of Integrity (IIM) to encourage industry players to participate in Corporate Integrity System Malaysia(CISM) certification. Ministry of Defence is please to invite industrial players to join our third CISM briefing session in which two series were held in March 2024.

9. Ministry of Defence is proud to announce that today, IIM have certified the CISM to DRB- HICOM Defence Technologies Sdn Bhd (DEFTECH) and Galaxy Aerospace (M) Sdn. Bhd. We hope that it will be a catalyst to other industry players to participate in the 3rd and 4th series of CISM certificate which will be held in the coming months.

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