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National Oxygen Pte Ltd. awarded

The Minister for Defense Award

Taiyo Nippon Sanso Corporation is pleased to report that its overseas subsidiary National Oxygen Private Ltd. (NOX) on July 25 was officially presented with The Minister for Defense Award, a prestigious annual honor extended by the Ministry of Defense of Singapore.

The system under which this award is presented was established in 1986, and every year since, the award has been presented to companies distinguishing themselves through meaningful contributions to the national defense of Singapore. The award scheme itself comprises the three categories of The Minister for Defense Award, The Distinguished Defense Partner Award, and The Meritorious Defense Partner Award. This year NOX was chosen to receive The Minister for Defense Award - the highest ranking of the three honors.

The decision to present this year's award to NOX was based on the Singapore government's stellar evaluation of the company's devoted and enthusiastic participation in national defense drills over the past decade, which enabled the Singaporean Navy to firmly establish a system for the efficient

supply of liquid oxygen in an emergency.

At awards ceremony, held on July 25, NOX President Shigeto Umatani received a commemorative trophy from the Singapore Minister of Defense, Mr. Teo Chee Hean.

Caption

President Umatani (left) receiving a trophy from Singapore Defense Minister Teo Chee Hean

