

Sentosa enhances island security with new Joint Command Centre

- Joint Command Centre to be main surveillance and contact point for responding to emergencies on the island
- Addition of Centre is a timely addition to Sentosa's existing resilience framework

28 MAY 2014 – A Joint Command Centre (JCC) which acts as a surveillance centre and contact point for responding to emergency incidents on Sentosa, was officially opened this afternoon by Mr S Iswaran, Minister in the Prime Minister's Office and Second Minister for Home Affairs and Trade and Industry. The JCC will enhance the safety and security of the island for all stakeholders, including guests, business partners and staff. It will also enhance the readiness of the island to manage and mitigate high-level threats.

The JCC features a sophisticated Integrated Surveillance System (ISS), including a videowall which allows security personnel to monitor footage captured by CCTV cameras strategically located across the island. These cameras will provide 24-hour surveillance of the island all year round. The system is integrated with Sentosa's existing Information Management System.

Timely addition to island resilience

The addition of the JCC to Sentosa's existing island resilience framework is a timely move, in view of the changing security landscape, coupled with Sentosa's rising international profile. Safety and security of the island is of high priority for Sentosa, considering the island resort's increasing visitorship of approximately 20 million people per annum.

"One of the island's security strategies is leveraging technology for timely detection and collaborating with state agencies for scalable responses to different threats. Hence, our new JCC boasts technologies that allow us to keep an eye on everything that happens on the island to safeguard everyone on Sentosa," said Mr Koh Piak Huat, Divisional Director, Operations, Sentosa Leisure Management.



Sentosa's crisis operations team, which comprises more than 300 staff including rangers, beach patrol officers and personnel from operations and attractions, regularly holds mock exercises as part of the island's comprehensive emergency preparedness programme. Sentosa also works closely with various stakeholders, including the Singapore Police Force (SPF) and the Singapore Civil Defence Force (SCDF), to carry out regular joint exercises.

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About Sentosa

Sentosa is Asia's leading leisure destination and Singapore's premier island resort getaway, located within 15 minutes from the central business and shopping districts. The island resort is managed by Sentosa Development Corporation, which works with various stakeholders in overseeing property investments, attractions development, operation of the various leisure offerings and management of the residential precinct on the island. The Corporation also manages the Southern Islands, and owns Mount Faber Leisure Group which runs Singapore's only cable car service.

The 500-hectare island resort is home to an exciting array of themed attractions, award-winning spa retreats, lush rainforests, golden sandy beaches, resort accommodations, world-renowned golf courses, a deep-water yachting marina and luxurious residences - making Sentosa a vibrant island resort for business and leisure. Making Sentosa its home, too, is Singapore's first integrated resort, Resorts World Sentosa, which operates South East Asia's first Universal Studios theme park.

Situated on the eastern end of Sentosa Island is Sentosa Cove, an exclusive residential enclave. By 2014, it will be bustling with some 2,000 homes, romantic quayside restaurants, retail and specialty shops. Offering Singapore's only truly oceanfront residences, Sentosa Cove is fast becoming the world's most desirable address.

The Island is also proud to be home to Sentosa Golf Club and its two acclaimed golf courses, The Serapong and The Tanjong. In 2013, Sentosa Golf Club hosted the HSBC Women's Champions, featuring some of the world's best female golf professionals. This prestigious ladies event will continue teeing off at the Serapong till 2015.

Welcoming a growing number of local and international guests every year, Sentosa is an integral part of Singapore's goal to be a global destination to work, live and play. For more information, please visit www.sentosa.com.sg.