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THE NEW FACE OF SECURITY

Dear Esteemed Members

2018 will be marked as the year Singapore witnessed the birth of a new way we look at the security and how we can as a nation both from the regulators and from the practitioners' views and concerns effectively combat not only terrorism but crime as well.

Singapore is of great importance to the region and is placed strategically both in terms of location and economic standpoints. We can learn and share in many ways from and with neighbours and the rest of the world for the safety and continued stability of all.

The continuance of such a haven and to be a boost to our neighbours can only be sustained if we make a conscientious effort to combine our talents and strengths and to work as an industry.

If we focus and pool our resources for a safer future, we could combat the multitude of security nightmares that face us and make our Nation and the surrounding countries a better place to live for the generations to come. The new face should embrace restructuring, sharing and pooling of likely required talents and technology.

Facing the bold new and everchanging situation is no easy task, it calls for collaboration, timely implementation of measures and a commitment to the cause that must be pledged by all parties, forged into a singular momentous movement and lived out as one entity.

The coming together of all security bodies is primary to this movement. There can no longer be, "A PLAYER", it must be, "A TEAM" and what better combination can we call upon then all the security associations that exist not only in Singapore but in the region and eventually the global players.

To achieve this vision is easier said than done, many have tried, and many have failed due to pride, selfishness and pure greed. We need to take a deep breath and

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rethink the way we combat the security problem, or our breaths may not last for long.

Traditionally we have been concerned with security personnel, the ground equipment and static surveillance and procedures. These methods have served us well but as crime and the deadlier threat of terrorism slams its face into our daily lives, we need to rethink our strategy and play the game as it is being played by our enemy.

Singapore has all the departments to make a formidable attempt to combat threats, whatever they may be. It is now the opportune time that we join forces and make that commitment to ensure a safer and better future.

Jerry Nonis
Vice-President
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2018 CNY/Lou Hei Event a Resounding Success!



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APSA Singapore would like to thank all our members for attending our 2018 CNY & Lou Hei Event held on the 26th of February at the SIA Group Sports Club. Our members were treated to a special Lion Dance performance. This was followed by a sumptuous spread.



No Chinese New Year event is complete without the tossing of the Lou Hei. With delicious food and free flow of drinks, camaraderie grew as the night progressed. Eventually we were treated to some of our members crooning out classic tunes.

The feedback from attendees showed that the event was a resounding success. We certainly look forward to holding more events for our members in 2018.



Congratulations to our VP Frederick Chia

Congratulations to Mr Frederick Chia on the formation of the UAV Industry Association. We wish the association speedy growth and success.

Brand New Members Contribution Section



We're looking for new voices to be contributors to our newsletter. Do you have what it takes? Do you have something regarding security you'd like to write about? Well then, we'd like to hear from you. Contact us now at apsa.singapore@gmail.com subject title **Members Contribution Section**

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3 Ways to combat Fake News

Recently we've heard a lot about Fake News. As security practitioners we understand the dangers that fake news poses in crime prevention as well as combating terrorism. We've decided to come up with 3 useful tips to combat fake news.

1. Understand what is Fake News

Fake news can come in many forms and mediums eg via Social Media platforms, whatsapp messages etc. It can be doctored images, articles or event information graphs. We've seen a few. Our friends might send them to us in a whatsapp msg or even share it online. Anyone recalls when a well-known online portal accidentally shared a doctored image. Even some of these online portals fall prey to fake news at times. Or do you recall how excited you were when you received a \$100 NTUC voucher via whatsapp from your friends a few years ago only to find out it was also a hoax. In order to combat Fake News we must first understand what it is.



2. How to spot it?

The IFLA (International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions) has a very useful guide on spotting Fake News on their website. We've attached it next page for your necessary information. It can come in handy especially for us security practitioners.

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HOW TO SPOT FAKE NEWS



CONSIDER THE SOURCE

Click away from the story to investigate the site, its mission and its contact info.



READ BEYOND

Headlines can be outrageous in an effort to get clicks. What's the whole story?



CHECK THE AUTHOR

Do a quick search on the author. Are they credible? Are they real?



SUPPORTING SOURCES?

Click on those links. Determine if the info given actually supports the story.



CHECK THE DATE

Reposting old news stories doesn't mean they're relevant to current events.



IS IT A JOKE?

If it is too outlandish, it might be satire. Research the site and author to be sure.



CHECK YOUR BIASES

Consider if your own beliefs could affect your judgement.



ASK THE EXPERTS

Ask a librarian, or consult a fact-checking site.



International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions

With thanks to www.Factcheck.org

3. Don't Spread It

Fake news is like a virus. Think before we share.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

2018 Q2 APSA SG Event

APSA SG Security Talk & Networking Session

Date: TBC

Location: TBC



The 25th APSA International Conference

Date: 24th to 26th September 2018

Location: Centara Grand Central World, Bangkok

(Special Rates for the Hotel are available. Further details will be shared by end April)

A promotional poster for the 25th International APSA Conference. The top left features the APSA Thailand Chapter logo. The text reads: '25th International APSA CONFERENCE', '24-26 SEPTEMBER 2018', and 'Centara Grand Centralworld, Bangkok'. The background is a night view of the Bangkok skyline with the illuminated Wat Arun temple in the foreground. At the bottom, there are three columns of text: 'DAY 1: APSA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2018 WELCOME DRINKS PARTY', 'DAY 2: APSA INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE GALA DINNER', and 'DAY 3: OPTIONAL TOUR'. Two boats are visible on the water in the foreground.