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#### Singapore named "Best Global Seaport" and "Best Seaport in Asia"

The Port of Singapore has been named the "Best Global Seaport" for the third consecutive year and the "Best Seaport in Asia" for the 35<sup>th</sup> time at the 2023 Asian Freight, Logistics and Supply Chain (AFLAS) Awards.

- 2. These accolades recognise the contributions by the Port of Singapore serving as a key node in the global supply chain, and Singapore's leadership in driving maritime decarbonisation and transformation. The annual AFLAS Awards is organised by freight and logistics publication, Asia Cargo News, to honour leading service providers in the supply chain community for demonstrating leadership as well as consistency in service quality, innovation, customer relationship management and reliability. Winners were determined by votes cast by readers of the publication.
- 3. "Singapore is honoured to be named the Best Global Seaport and Best Seaport in Asia. These awards are the result of the shared effort and strong collaboration between the Government, industry, unions and workers. We will continue to grow our port as an efficient, sustainable, and trusted node in global supply chains", said Mr Chee Hong Tat, Acting Minister for Transport and Senior Minister of State for Finance.
- 4. "These awards are testament to the partnership and collaboration between Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore (MPA) with industry and international partners, the research and enterprise community, as well as unions. MPA remains committed to fostering an environment that encourages enterprise, innovation, and talent development. We will continue to work with our partners to enhance Singapore's connectivity, advance digitalisation efforts, and accelerate the decarbonisation of international shipping in line with the 2023 IMO strategy on reduction of GHG emissions from ships", said Mr Teo Eng Dih, Chief Executive of MPA.

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#### About the Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore (MPA)

MPA was established on 2 February 1996 with the mission to develop Singapore as a premier global hub port and international maritime centre, and to advance and safeguard Singapore's strategic maritime interests. MPA is the driving force behind Singapore's port and maritime development, taking on the roles of port authority, maritime and port regulator and planner, international maritime centre champion, national maritime representative and a champion of digitalisation and decarbonisation efforts at regional and international fora such as at the International Maritime

Organization. MPA partners industry, research community and other agencies to enhance safety, security and environmental protection in our waters, facilitate maritime and port operations and growth, expand the cluster of maritime ancillary services, and develops maritime digitalisation and decarbonisation policies and plans, R&D and manpower development. MPA is responsible for the overall development and growth of the maritime domain and Port of Singapore. In 2022, Singapore remained one of the world's busiest transshipment hubs with a container throughput of 37.3 million 20-foot equivalent units (TEUs).

For more information, please visit <a href="https://www.mpa.gov.sg">https://www.mpa.gov.sg</a>

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# Annex A: Translated Terms

Port of Singapore	新加坡港口
Best Global Seaport	全球最佳海港
Best Seaport in Asia	亚洲最佳海港
Asian Freight, Logistics and Supply Chain (AFLAS) Awards	亚洲货运、物流及供应链奖
Asia Cargo News	亚洲货运新闻月刊
2023 IMO strategy on reduction of GHG emissions	2023年船舶温室气体减排战略
Teo Eng Dih	张英智
Chief Executive	局长
Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore	新加坡海事及港务管理局