

ANNEX C-2: MARITIME CAPABILITY DEVELOPMENT

s/n	Item	Details
1	20% Port Dues Concession for Harbour Craft (excluding pleasure craft for personal use)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MPA will implement the 20% port dues concession for harbour craft (excluding pleasure craft for personal use) for 1 year from 1 Apr 2009 till 31 Mar 2010. • This concession will help local Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs) engaged in commercial activities within Singapore's port waters such as bunkering, towing, dredging, and carriage of cargo/passengers. About 2,000 harbour craft are expected to benefit from this concession.
2	Development of Business and Manpower Capabilities within the Maritime Sector	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To further support Singapore's development as an International Maritime Centre (IMC), the Maritime Cluster Fund (MCF) was recently enhanced to provide more funding to support new industry-wide projects that build business and manpower capabilities within the cluster. An additional \$45 million will be added to the MCF to fund these projects. • These enhancements will also involve scaling up of support for industry-wide development projects (e.g. as announced on 9 Jan 09, the Institute of Chartered Shipbrokers, in partnership with the International Trading Institute at the Singapore Management University, are jointly developing a new Professional Shipping Programme in Singapore, which will enjoy Course Fee Subsidy support from the MCF), as well as support for enterprise-specific activities (e.g. attract or expansion of new business activities in Singapore). More focus will also be placed on encouraging maritime companies to undertake continuing education and training (CET) for their employees.
3	Aircraft Landing Rebate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Under the Air Hub Development Fund 2 (AHDF2), \$130 million has been set aside to help Changi Airport stay ahead. • Amongst the measures is a one-time increase of

		<p>landing fees rebates from 15% to 25%.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• AHDF2 will also provide for a Growth Incentive Scheme and a Route Development Incentive Scheme to help airlines to continue to grow traffic here in hard times.
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