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**SINGAPORE, AUSTRALIA UPGRADE TIES; WILL DEEPEN COOPERATION IN DEFENCE AND ENERGY, AMONG OTHERS**

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*Singapore and Australia will deepen their cooperation in many areas from defence to trade, as they further elevate bilateral ties.*

Both sides on Oct 8 laid out what Prime Minister Lawrence Wong called a very full and ambitious agenda of 20 agreements under an upgraded Comprehensive Strategic Partnership (CSP), or CSP 2.0, as the countries marked 60 years of ties.

The CSP 2.0, inked in Australias capital Canberra on Oct 8, encompasses strengthening cooperation in defence, supply chain resilience, the green and digital economies, food security, renewable energy and innovation, as well as emerging areas such as artificial intelligence (AI) and space.

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