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## THE RTD HIGUARD IS OFFICIALLY DECLARED OPERATIONAL IN THE SINGAPORE ARMY

***Coinciding with the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the 2<sup>nd</sup> People's Defense Force (2 PDF), the Higuard vehicle produced by RENAULT TRUCKS Defense has officially entered service with the Singapore Armed Forces (SAF). Offering a high level of protection, this vehicle enables the SAF to continue its mission safely.***

Combining the excellent off-road mobility of the Sherpa Medium 6x6 tactical truck and a high level of crew protection with its V-shaped hull designed to withstand ballistics, mines and IEDs, the Higuard vehicle from RENAULT TRUCKS Defense also offers an excellent standard of comfort.

On 8th July 2015, the Higuard was officially declared operational within the Singapore Armed Forces (SAF) by the Singapore Minister of Defense, Dr. Ng Eng Hen. Some forty vehicles, officially designated Peacekeeper, will equip the 2<sup>nd</sup> People's Defense Force, a unit tasked with protecting sensitive facilities and coordinating the military resources in crisis situations.

The Higuard adapts to the needs of modern operations with its large interior volume and payload enabling it to carry up to 12 soldiers and their equipment. A remotely operated turret enables the vehicle's self-protection system to be deployed.

Singapore is the second export customer for the Higuard vehicle.



RENAULT TRUCKS Defense Higuard

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*RENAULT TRUCKS Defense, one of three participants in the Joint Venture (GME) which was awarded the Scorpion contract by the Minister of Defense on 5 December 2014, is to participate in the development of the French Army's new generation of front-line vehicles Griffon and Jaguar. RENAULT TRUCKS Defense is in particular responsible for supplying the powertrains for these two vehicles, and for providing the whole supply chain for the spare parts and components of the Scorpion program.*

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