

Media Release

**MINISTER FOR TRADE AND INDUSTRY LIM HNG KIANG TO ATTEND
APEC MINISTERS RESPONSIBLE FOR TRADE MEETING
IN KAZAN, RUSSIA 4 – 5 JUNE 2012**

Minister for Trade and Industry Mr Lim Hng Kiang will be attending the APEC Ministers Responsible for Trade (MRT) Meeting and related meetings in Kazan, Russia from 4 to 5 June 2012. At the MRT Meeting, Mr Lim will meet with key public sector representatives from the Asia Pacific region. They will discuss matters according to the priority areas outlined by Russia, the current APEC Chair. These areas include trade and investment liberalisation, regional economic integration, strengthening food security, establishing reliable supply chains, and intensifying cooperation to foster innovative growth.

While in Kazan, Mr Lim will also hold bilateral meetings with other trade ministers. In addition, Mr Lim will attend the Trans-Pacific Partnership (TPP) Ministerial Meeting on 5 June 2012, held on the sidelines of the main APEC meeting. Ministers will discuss the progress of the TPP negotiations to date and exchange views on how to maintain the good progress of the negotiations.

Mr Lim will be accompanied by Permanent Secretary (Trade and Industry) Mrs Ow Foong Pheng and other officials from the Ministry of Trade and Industry and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

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