

# The Agreement on Trade in Essential Supplies (AOTES)



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The Agreement on Trade in Essential Supplies (AOTES) is a new trade agreement aimed at ensuring New Zealanders and Singaporeans can continue to trade essential products during times of crisis.

Both parties have agreed not to impose specific export prohibitions on an agreed list of goods.

This includes fuel, medical and construction-related products.

If there is another supply shock, like COVID-19, the AOTES will mean that Singapore and New Zealand can continue to rely on each other to access food, fuels, and other essential supplies.



In times of crisis, businesses and consumers can now have greater confidence in the continuing trade of critical goods between our two countries, as both countries commit to strengthening their supply chain resilience and enhancing cooperation and communication.



For more information, go to [www.mfat.govt.nz/AOTES](http://www.mfat.govt.nz/AOTES)