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REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE: REVIEW OF OPERATION SOVEREIGN BORDERS VESSEL POSITIONING DECEMBER 2013 – JANUARY 2014

- 1. We have been directed by the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the Australian Customs and Border Protection Service and Chief of the Defence Force (CDF) to cochair a Joint Review regarding the entry of Australian vessels associated with Operation Sovereign Borders (OSB) into Indonesian sovereign waters between December 2013 and January 2014. A copy of the Terms of Reference for the review is attached at Enclosure 1. We are required to provide a full report to the CEO and CDF by 10 February 2014.
- 2. In order to address the Terms of Reference, we are seeking your assistance with the provision of information relating to all aspects of the review, namely:
 - a. All operational policy, procedures, instructions and orders including logs of any electronic correspondence between vessels and the respective headquarters that relate to \$33(a)(i), \$47E(d) operations during the conduct of OSB;
 - s33(a)(i), s47E(d)
 - c. Any Warning Orders and Force Assignment Orders issued to vessels assigned to Operation Sovereign Borders during the subject period;
 - d. All planning documents used by ADF and ACBPS vessels \$33(a)(i), \$47E(d) including navigational records, charts, briefings and Ship's Logs used \$33(a)(i), \$47E(d) including navigational records, charts, briefings and Ship's Logs used \$33(a)(i), \$47E(d) including a reconstructed track verified by the unit Commanding Officer/Enforcement Commander, \$33(a)(i), \$47E(d) including a reconstructed track verified by the unit Commanding Officer/Enforcement Commander, \$33(a)(i), \$47E(d) including navigational records, charts, briefings and Ship's Logs used \$33(a)(i), \$47E(d) including navigational records, charts, briefings and Ship's Logs used \$33(a)(i), \$47E(d) including navigational records, charts, briefings and Ship's Logs used \$33(a)(i), \$47E(d) including navigational records, charts, briefings and Ship's Logs used \$33(a)(i), \$47E(d) including navigational records, charts, briefings and Ship's Logs used \$33(a)(i), \$47E(d) including navigational records, charts, briefings and Ship's Logs used \$33(a)(i), \$47E(d) including navigational records, charts, briefings and Ship's Logs used \$43(a)(i), \$47E(d) including navigational records, charts, briefings and Ship's Logs used \$43(a)(i), \$47E(d) including navigational records, charts, briefings and Ship's Logs used \$43(a)(i), \$47E(d) including navigational records, charts, briefings and ship's Logs used ship including navigational records and sh
 - e. Any documentation or information related to the provision of training and certification for ACBPS and ADF Officers deployed to OSB, regarding the application of the *United Nations Convention on Law Of the Sea, 1982* (UNCLOS) to archipelagic baselines and territorial seas;
 - f. Any documents or correspondence that relate to the identification or notification of instances where unauthorised entry of Australian vessels into Indonesian territorial waters occurred; and

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- g. All policy or procedural documents that pertain to the dissemination of information following the identification of an operational or tactical planning error, in order to correct that error and prevent its reoccurrence.
- 3. As you are aware there is significant interest in the outcomes of this review and the timeliness and completeness of the report will attract significant scrutiny. To that end, we request you nominate a POC within your respective headquarters that can act as a point of coordination for this and any further requests for information and assistance that may arise throughout the review.
- Our point of contact within the Joint Review for collating and cataloguing information and documentation is 47F
- 5. Your ongoing assistance in this matter is appreciated.





23 January 2014

Enclosure:

1. Review of Operation Sovereign Borders Vessel Entry into Indonesian Waters December 2013 – January 2014: Terms of Reference dated 21 January 2014.

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INTERNAL BRIEF

Co Chair Joint Review Team

Joint Review Request For Information

Key Points

- 1. The following information is the consolidate response to a series of email Requests for Information forwarded to Border Force Capability Division (BFCD) by the Joint Review team.
 - a. UNCLOS and particularly territorial sea training provided for any key individuals (EC, Master) for TRI or OP and CO/DCO/2IC etc for CCPB/Bay Class.
 - (1) BFCD have been through the legislative training pack provided to Customs personnel. While the training pack contains a section on UNCLOS it is a superficial overview of the UNCLOS and serves only to provide a basic understanding of how the Australian Maritime Zones are defined. It does not cover in any detail how to determine a baseline where there are near coastal Islands or in an Archipelago.
 - (2) In relation to commercial qualifications, the focus of the training is on Coastal Maritime Operations which is defined as operations out to the limit of the EEZ. Hence commercial courses (up to and including the Diploma of Applied Science (Master <500GT), which is the maximum requirement for our Commanding Officer), contain no training on UNCLOS. From internet research the higher level, ocean going qualifications also have no identifiable UNCLOS component.</p>
 - (3) No pre deployment training on Baselines was provided by Maritime Capability Branch. MCB staff understanding of the operation was that sa33(a)(i), s47E(d) would be provided to the Enforcement Commander (EC) or CO by BPC and there was therefore no requirement to train personnel in the UNCLOS.
 - b. Maritime Policy for CHOP of assets, (Marine Unit Practise Statement?)
 - (1) CHOP is covered by Practice statement 2011/04 (Link below)

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- c. ACV OP & TRI Cap Statements (From Maritime Capability Manual)
 - (1) Extract from Maritime Capability Manual V2.1 dated Feb 2011 attached.

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- d. Outline the process by which Mission Readiness was assured for Turn Back Operations?
 - (1) Initial Mission Readiness for Turn Back consisted of Public Order Management training for ACV Crews. This training was delivered to ensure that ACV crews were prepared for the expected non-compliant behaviour when ETB operations began. S33(a)(i), s47E(d) was only assessed by desktop assessment of the proposed Tactics, Techniques and Procedures (TTP) supplied by the EC of OP. The plan was to conduct a more formal assessment of the TTPs S33(a)(i), s47E(d) prevented formal assessment of the proposed TTPs. The TTPs were then revised S33(a)(i), s47E(d) and supplied to Navy who have since updated the TTPs following their trials at AI.
- e. Mission Briefings: Did they include discussion of territorial sovereignty?
 - (1) Briefings were conducted by BPC with the ECs and some COs. BFC staff were not present and cannot verify the content of the briefing.
- f. A statement regarding Border Force Capability Division capacity to undertake Readiness Assessments.

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- g. Any Warning Orders from BPC to Border Force Capability Division about the capability requirement to conduct turn back operations.
 - (1) No warning orders were provided by BPC. All capability requirements were derived from the OPORDER and participation by BFCD staff in the OPORDER development process.

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Attachment A: Extract of Maritime Capability Manual V2.1 dated Feb 2011

Ocean Protector Vessel specifications



Length	105.9 metres	
Beam	21 metres	
Draught	6.6 metres	
Gross tonnage	6,596	
Power	4x 2,880 kW engines	
Economical Speed	14 knots	
Accommodation	22 single and 39 double cabins	
Fuel Capacity	1.255m3	

Endurance

Speed (Knots)	12	16
Endurance* (nm)	12,000	6,000

Survey Requirements

DNV 1A1, EO, DYNPOS-AUTR (IMO II), DK(+), HELDK-SH, ICE-1 B, DEICE, CLEAN DESIGN (as made valid January 2006), NAUT- OSV(Letter of Compliance), COMF-V (3)

Crew Specifications

Minimum Crew Requirement:

1 doctor and up to 50 Customs and Border Protection personnel or other agencies crew which 12 can be passengers. (Passengers are defined as

people who have no Marine qualifications)

Up to 22 crew

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Cost of Patrol per day

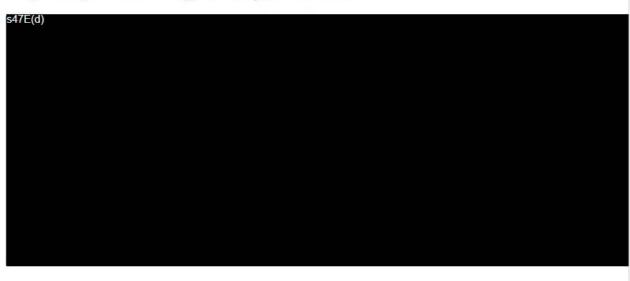
Northern Patrol

OP North Costs		
Description	Per day	
Vessel daily rate	\$40,000	
VOLA	\$19,474	
Crew	\$19,569	
Additional Catering Staff	\$1,500	
Fuel	\$18,770	
Customs and Border Protection Salaries	\$10,311	
AAD Doctor, consumables equipment hire	\$2,045	
Victualling	\$2,316	
Consumables	\$380	
Communications	\$700	
Totals	\$115,065	

Southern Patrol

OP South Costs		
Description	Per day	
Vessel daily rate	\$40,000	
VOLA	\$19,474	
Crew	\$19,569	
Fuel	\$16,016	
Customs and Border Protection Salaries	\$10,311	
Southern Ocean Allowances	\$5,202	
AAD Doctor, consumables equipment hire	\$2,045	
Victualling	\$891	
Consumables	\$125	
Communications	\$700	
Totals	\$114,333	

Capability for steaming intercepted vessels



Ocean Protector Contact Details

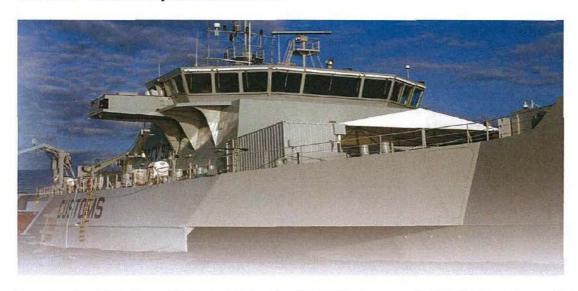
ACV Ocean Protector		
AMOS Email	s47E(d)	
F77 Phone Ops Room 1		
F77 Phone Ops Room 2		
Cordless Phone		
Video Conference @ 128		
F77 9.6 Fax		

Tender Specifications



Tenders	2 X Norsafe Magnum 850	
Dimensions	LOA 9.19 metres, Beam 3.38 metres	
Draft		
Power	2 x Yanmar engines - 232 Kw inboard jet propulsion	
Max Speed	39.2 knots	
Cruising Speed	20 knots	
Endurance	91nm	
Fuel Capacity	360 litres	

Triton vessel specifications



Length	98 metres	
Beam	22.5 metres	
Draught (trials design)	3.2 metres	
Gross tonnage	2291	
Max Speed	20 knots	
Cruising Speed (average)	12 knots	
Accommodation	48 berths	
Fuel Capacity	300.0 tonnes	

Survey requirements

Survey 1B with exemption to travel to Christmas Island. We are completing the final process of DNV certified SOLAS Special Persons Ship Safety Certificate for up to 60 special persons which includes the crew members.

A second 15 tonnes per day reverse osmosis fresh water maker is being fitted during the maintenance period which will allow Triton to sail with less fresh water and 50 tonnes more Fuel Oil.

Endurance

300.0 tonnes (New Fuel Capacity)

Speed (Knots)	10.5	15	18
Endurance* (nm)	12600	7715	7200

Crew Specifications

Minimum Crew: 20 Marine Enforcement Officers, up to 30 Government officials

Gardline Crew: 16 berths

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Cost of Patrol per day

Cost of Running ACV Triton		
Item Description	Cost Per Day	
OH&S Equipment	\$14.00	
Equipment	\$286.64	
Medical Staff	\$1,377.31	
Communications	\$328.88	
Consumables	\$174.14	
Repairs and Maintenace	\$1,229.00	
P&A	\$42.00	
Berthage	\$1,942.08	
Diesel	\$28,500.00	
Oil and Lubes	\$190.59	
Victualling of PII	\$70.00	
Tenders	\$768.45	
Other Running Costs	\$483.86	
Vessel Lease		
Total	\$35,406.95	

Capability for steaming intercepted vessels



Triton Contact Details

ACV Triton		
AMOS Email	s47E(d)	
Bridge		
F77 Ops Room		
Cordless		
F77 9.6 Fax		
NextG Fax		
Tender Phone 1		
Tender Phone 2		
NextG Phone		

Tender Specifications



Tenders	2 x Norsafe Magnum 850
Dimensions	9.2 metres
Power	Twin 232 kW Yanmah Diesel Inboard Jet Propulsion
Max Speed	39.2 knots
Cruising Speed	20 knots
Endurance	100 nm
Fuel Capacity	360 litres

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22(1)(a)(ii) s22(1)(a)(ii) From: Sent: Wednesday, 5 February 2014 8:45 AM To: s22(1)(a)(ii) s22(1)(a)(ii) Cc: ; 'gjocjcc.Watchcmdr@defence.gov.au' Subject: FW: Request vessel position data Joint OSB Review RFI 23/14 (ISEC-PROTECTION) 140204-Form-s47E(d) Attachments: Operations-Ships Log extract-PROTECTED-SENSITIVE.pdf; 140204-Forms47E(d) -Op PROTECTED SENSITIVE.pdf; 140204-Forms47E(d) -Operations-Ships Plot Record extract--Operations-Ships Plot Record extract-PROTECTED-SENSITIVE.pdf Hi s22(1) Re Joint Review RFI 23/14, and as discussed, you will find attached a response from JTF 639. Regards s22(1) | A/g Director Governance and Command Support Border Protection Command | Australian Customs and Border Protection Service p; s22(1)(a)(ii) 3 | m; s22(1)(a)(ii) 3 | e; s22(1)(a)(ii) t@customs.gov.au From: LAVER Peter Sent: Monday, 3 February 2014 3:57 PM To:s22(1)(a)(ii) Cc: SMYTHE Brenton (Defence); \$22(1)(a)(ii) s22(1)(a)(ii) Subject: FW: Request vessel position data Joint OSB Review RFI 23/14 [DLM=For-Official-Use-Only] This email constitutes a supplementary request for assistance (RFI 23/2014) in support of the Joint Review of OSB Vessel Positioning. We seek position data for the following vessels' IOT confirm their locations for the narrative: (Release of s47E(d) Positions for \$47E(d) for the period \$47E(d) (Release of s47E(d) Positions for s47E(d) for the period s47E(d) (Release of s47E(d) Positions for boths47E(d) and s47E(d) for the period s47E(d) Ideally a position roughly every 30 minutes or on key changes to course/speed would be suitable. I suggest that HQ JTF 639 might be best placed to retrieve this information Regards

Pete Laver

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JOINT OPERATIONS COMMAND Headquarters JTF639 MINUTE



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REVIEW OF OPERATION SOVEREIGN BORDERS VESSEL POSITIONING DEC 13 TO JAN 14 - RFI 16/2014

References:

- A. Email from s22(1)(a)(ii) to BPC dated 29 Jan 14
- B. BPC OPORD 1/11 Annex O to Appendix 5 dated 28 Oct 13
- C. COMBPC I3M 170945Z Dec 13 COMBPC EXECUTO 2/13 ETB
- D. Deposit by the Republic of Indonesia of a list of geographical coordinates of points of the Indonesian Archipelagic Baseline dated 11 March 2009

Introduction

- 1. This minute provides a response to the Joint Review's Request for Information (RFI) 16/2014 as per Reference A. In particular, this response covers HQJTF639 preparations and considerations covering RFI 16/2014 which sought "a statement from DCJTF639 and DCOMBPC OPS regarding awareness within HQ JTF639 and AMSOC of the IDTS boundaries and monitoring of the position and intended movement of assigned units during ETB missions".
- 2. The response also covers HQJFT639 activities covering the RFI 16/2014 request for "detail of formal CONOPs approval and ETB execution authority for each of

Background

3. HQJTF639 has produced Executive Summaries (attached) for all Enforced Turn Back (ETB) operations conducted during the period 1 Dec 13 to 20 Jan 14. These Executive Summaries provide a timeline and the context behind each ETB.

Operational Context

4. ETB operations are high-tempo, demanding and complex by their nature. All personnel associated with ETB planning and execution are faced with a challenging expectation of achieving the intended operational outcome whilst preserving the fundamental requirement to maintain safety of life at sea at all times. The key criteria issued to Commanders Force Assigned (FA) to JTF639 has continued to be - to conduct ETB where it is safe to do so.

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5. All FA Commanders and crew are briefed in detail on the conduct of operations with specific focus on ETB based on the information contained at Appendix 5 to Annex O of BPC OPORD 1/11 dated 28 Oct 13 (Ref B). Reference B is currently undergoing review and amendment to include lessons learned from ETB operations conducted to date.

Planning

- 6. Prior to receiving approval to conduct ETB operations at Ref C, extensive planning was conducted within BPC (BPC incorporates JTF639). Planning commenced in earnest post the federal election to align with a change in Government policy. Planning covered an array of options and issues, including: \$47E(d)
- 7. During the Sep-Dec period, planning guidance was subject to rapid change due to the developmental nature of Federal government policy and the formation of OSB under CJATF. The consequence of these rapid changes and the physical distance between HQ BPC and HQ JTF639 was that staff worked to very tight deadlines, in small teams (or as individuals) in a stove-piped manner and planning could not be conducted in line with the standard Military Appreciation Process.
- 8. By early Nov 13, planning was dedicated toward ETB, within an environment where each SIEV arrival saw a higher level expectation that ETB could commence at any time. OPORD changes and TTP development took place in parallel with CONOPS development and evolving planning guidance. This rapidly changing, high-tempo planning focused predominantly on safely achieving the mission rather than allowing for a methodical detailed planning activity to take place.
- 9. Despite the planning environment surrounding the lead-up to ETB, all staff involved in the planning process were well aware of the Government's requirement not to breach Indonesian sovereignty and all planning was conducted with the intent to conduct operations outside of Indonesian Territorial Waters.

Operations

10. HQ JTF639 Command Centre followed the process below for each SIEV arrival between 1 Dec 13 and 20 Jan 14. Note that HQ JTF639 monitored but had no operational control over OCS (ACBPS asset) for ETB on s47E(d) Throughout the process below the duty watchkeeping staff in HQ JTF639 maintained regular contact with watchkeeping staff at HQ BPC (AMSOC). The process below focuses on CCOI/SIEV.

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Conclusion

- 15. The nature of the evolving operation resulted in a contracted planning process being undertaken.
- 16. At all times during planning and ETB operations HQ JTF639 staff were aware of the Government's requirement not to breach Indonesian sovereignty and all staff believed that operations were conducted outside of Indonesian Territorial Waters.
- Changes have been implemented to ensure checks on planned vessel positions during ETB operations remain outside of Indonesian Territorial Seas. \$33(a)(i), \$47E(d)

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CDRE, RAN DCJTF639

6 Feb 14

Attachments:

A. Executive Summaries \$33(a)(i), \$47E(d)