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From:

s47E(d)

Sent:

Wednesday, 28 November 2018 10:01 AM

To:

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Subject:

HPRM: RE: 2018/813 - URGENT - 6281438/65 - ALARAIBI, Hakeem s47F

– Subject of Red Notice A-11720/11-2018 - departed Australia
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Good Morning s22(1)(a)(ii)

Thank you for your email.

We can confirm that the travel document is a Tire De Voyage issued by Australia and is not fraudulent.

Please note that the POI is currently on a Protection Visa and details regarding his visa and travel documents are not to be disclosed.

Kind Regards,

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From: s22(1)(a)(ii)**Sent:** Wednesday, 28 November 2018 9:06 AM**To:** s47E(d)

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For-Official-Use-Only**URGENT**

Our ref: 6281438/65

SUBJECT: ALARAIBI, Hakeem s47F – Subject of Red Notice A-11720/11-2018 – departed Australia
27 Nov 2018

Dear s22(1)(a)(ii)

The a/m subject is wanted by Bahrain for ^{s47F} [REDACTED] attacking a police station (see Red Notice attached).

ALARAIBI arrived in Australia on ^{s47F} [REDACTED] using Bahrain passport ^{s47F} [REDACTED]

Immi records that ALARAIBI departed Australia on 27 November 2018 using a Bahrain passport ^{s47F} [REDACTED]

Our bureau notified Bahrain and Thailand (destination) of this travel movement.

Bahrain has contacted our bureau to inform us that this is a fraudulent passport. ^{s33(a)(iii)} [REDACTED]

Request

Considering the recent travel yesterday, is there any way to confirm the details of the passport? Country of origin?

Regards,

^{s22(1)(a)(ii)} [REDACTED]

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Our Ref: 6281438/65

Subject: ALARAIBI, Hakeem s47F

Good morning all,

The following update has been provided by the Qantas Security Group with regards to the return flight to Australia reserved for Hakeem s47F ALARAIBI s47F

Update on the INAD Alaraibi/Hakeem Mr in BKK. Was booked to return on JQ30/1DEC BKKMEL but was a no show as has been taken to HDQ of Royal Thai Police Immigration for further investigation.

INTERPOL Canberra has received no formal notification indicating that Thai authorities have released Mr ALARAIBI from detention.

According to their contact information on the INTERPOL database, the INTERPOL Bangkok office is normally closed on Saturdays and Sundays. Royal Thai Police and the Thai Immigration Bureau may not be aware of the cancelled INTERPOL Red notice for this reason.

Attached to this correspondence is the formal notification to all INTERPOL member countries (including INTERPOL Bangkok), advising that the INTERPOL Red notice (A-11720/11-2018) published on 8/11/2018 upon the request of NCB Bahrain concerning ALARAIBI will be cancelled. Formal notification was provided by INTERPOL General Secretariat at 10:04hrs on 01 December 2018 (AEDT) to all INTERPOL member countries that the notice was in fact cancelled (see below).

A-11720/11-2018
2018-11-30

2018/91431 - ALARAIBI F/N HAKEEM s47F

Source: NCB BAHRAIN Bahrain

Reason: [17] Cancelled by the General Secretariat (non-compliance for legal reasons or wi

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Forwarded for your information.

INTERPOL Canberra will advise you of any further updates as they become available.

Regards,



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Our Ref: 6281438/65

Subject: ALARAIBI, Hakeem s47F

Good morning all,

For your information, the following correspondence has been received from the General Secretariat – Notices and Diffusions Task Force with regards to Mr ALARAIBI.

Dear Colleagues,

Reference is made to your below message with regard to the above mentioned individual.

In response to your query, kindly note that INTERPOL's current policy in handling refugee status provides that when information on an individual's refugee status is brought to the attention of the General Secretariat, and once this information is confirmed by the NCB of the country that granted the refugee status, the processing of Data should not be allowed through INTERPOL. This leads to the cancellation of the existing red notice and/or diffusion issued at the request of the country of origin against the individual.

In that regard, we would like to draw your attention to the IPCQ message sent earlier by IPSG (attached), informing all member countries that the red notice published at the request of NCB Bahrain against the individual ALARAIBI f/n Hakeem s47F is no longer valid and that all information related to this individual has been deleted from INTERPOL's databases.

The General Secretariat remains at your disposal should you need any further information in that regard.

With our best regards,

Notices and Diffusions Task Force
 Office of Legal Affairs – INTERPOL General Secretariat

Please note, the General Secretariat – Notices and Diffusions Task Force did **not** disclose information relating to the Protection Visa held by Mr ALARAIBI to INTERPOL member countries (including Bahrain) as per our request.

At this stage, INTERPOL Canberra has not received any formal notification indicating that Thai authorities have released Mr ALARAIBI from detention.

Regards,



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Subject: **URGENT** 6281438/65 - ALARAIBI, Hakeem s47F

Dear s22(1)(a)(ii)

YOUR REF: 6281438/65

Thank you for your email to the PV Helpdesk, and for your time on the phone this morning. Answers to your queries follow:

1 Please provide information regarding ALARAIBI's current visa status in Australia, including details when the visa was granted.

Mr Alaraibi was granted an Australian permanent protection (subclass 866) visa on 30/11/2017, and remains the holder of that visa.

2 Confirmation is also required that any information provided by you in relation to ALARAIBI can be shared with the INTERPOL General Secretariat Office of Legal Affairs to assist in their review of the validity of the INTERPOL Red Notice issued by Bahrain.

The answer to question 1 may be shared with INTERPOL General Secretariat Office of Legal Affairs to assist in their review of the validity of the INTERPOL Red Notice issued by Bahrain.

3 The Office of Legal Affairs has also requested in the event that ALARAIBI has been granted refugee status in Australia, if this information can be shared with other INTERPOL member countries.

We note that Bahrain is an Interpol member country. Australia has granted a protection visa to Mr Alaraibi s47F. As we have assessed Mr Alaraibi as engaging Australia's protection obligations, it would not be appropriate to confirm with Interpol member countries (including Bahrain) that Mr Alaraibi has been granted a permanent protection visa. It would, however, be permissible to advise Interpol member countries that "Mr Alaraibi is the holder of an Australian permanent residence visa".

I hope this is of assistance.

Further to our discussion this morning, we would be grateful for some information on the protocols that are currently in place for Interpol/AFP to identify if the subject of an Interpol Red Notice is a refugee or asylum seeker.

Kind regards,

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Director, Protection Assessment Support Section

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Thank you for your request to the Protection Visa Help desk. Please see below for a response to your query.

This call is now closed. Should you have further questions, please reply to this email without changing the subject line.

Call Manager: Protection visas HELPDESK

Call Number: 1711063

User: INTERPOL Canberra

Telephone:

Organization:

Problem Description:

****URGENT** 6281438/65 - ALARAIBI, Hakeem** s47F [DLM=For-Official-Use-Only]

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TO: Home Affairs Onshore Protection Branch

FROM: INTERPOL Canberra

PRIORITY: Urgent

YOUR REF: Unknown

OUR REF: 6281438/65

SUBJECT: ALARAIBI, Hakeem ^{s47F} [REDACTED]

Dear colleagues,

Our Bureau is urgently seeking information with regards to ALARAIBI.

On 09 November 2018, INTERPOL Canberra received a notification from INTERPOL Headquarters indicating that Hakeem ^{s47F} [REDACTED] ALARAIBI ^{s47F} [REDACTED] was subject of an INTERPOL Red Notice (control number A-11720/11-2018) published by INTERPOL Bahrain. The notification was part of a list of notices advising of new, updated and cancelled notices. INTERPOL Canberra

forwarded this notification to CMAL on 09 November 2018 as per our standard operating procedures.

On 27 November 2018, INTERPOL Canberra was advised by the AFP Operations Coordination Centre (AOCC) that ABF (^{s22(1)(a)(ii)}) had advised ALARAIBI, who was subject of an INTERPOL Red Notice was departing Melbourne Airport on a flight to Bangkok. It appears no information was provided from ABF at that time that ALARAIBI was the holder of an Australian Protection Visa.

Our Bureau has been advised that ALARAIBI has been arrested in Thailand on the basis of the INTERPOL Red Notice, and we have received an urgent request from the INTERPOL General Secretariat Office of Legal Affairs, seeking to confirm if ALARAIBI is an asylum-seeker or has been granted or denied refugee status in Australia.

Under the INTERPOL Refugee Policy adopted by the General Assembly at its 86th session, in assessing the legal compliance of a request for a notice or diffusion, the General Secretariat should consider whether the individual is an asylum-seeker or refugee.

The subject hold Bahrain passport ^{s47F}

Request:

Please provide information regarding ALARAIBI's current visa status in Australia, including details when the visa was granted.

Confirmation is also required that any information provided by you in relation to ALARAIBI can be shared with the INTERPOL General Secretariat Office of Legal Affairs to assist in their review of the validity of the INTERPOL Red Notice issued by Bahrain. In the event that the INTERPOL Red Notice is deemed to be invalid on the basis of the subject's refugee status, the notice may be cancelled. This would remove the basis for the subject's current detention in Thailand, however, we are unable to advise if Thai authorities would release the subject back to Australia.

The Office of Legal Affairs has also requested in the event that ALARAIBI has been granted refugee status in Australia, if this information can be shared with other INTERPOL member countries.

Your urgent attention to this matter is greatly appreciated.

Regards,

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To: Zone IPCQ

From: Notices and Diffusions Task Force, INTERPOL's General Secretariat

REF.: EP 2018/91431/NDTF

Date: 30/11/2018

Subject: Red notice concerning ALARAIBI f/n Hakeem ^{s47F}, D.O.B. ^{s47F}

Dear Colleagues,

The General Secretariat refers to the red notice (A-11720/11-2018) published on 8/11/2018 upon the request of NCB Bahrain concerning ALARAIBI f/n Hakeem ^{s47F}, D.O.B. ^{s47F}

Please be advised that upon legal review, the General Secretariat concluded that the registration of the data contained in the red notice would not be in conformity with Articles 2(1) and 3 of INTERPOL's Constitution.

Accordingly, the red notice will be cancelled and the information concerning this individual will be deleted from INTERPOL's databases.

In addition, INTERPOL's channels shall not be used for communication related to this case. We would like to further request all member countries to update their national databases accordingly.

Regards,

Notices and Diffusions Task Force
INTERPOL's General Secretariat

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From: s22(1)(a)(ii) @afp.gov.au > s22(1)(a)(ii)
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To: s47E(d)
Subject: RE: 2018/813 - URGENT - 6281438/65 - ALARAIBI, Hakeem s47F
 – Subject of Red Notice A-11720/11-2018 - departed Australia [DLM=For-Official-Use-Only]

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Good morning s22(1)(a)(ii)

Apologies for the delay.

As you may be aware, there was significant correspondence in relation to this matter – which we are still addressing.

The Red Notice for ALARAIBI was cancelled by INTERPOL HQ on Saturday 1 December 2018 due to a breach of the INTERPOL constitution.

Regards

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Hi s22(1)(a)(ii)

Are you able to advise whether there is a redacted version of the RED Interpol notice for Mr Alaraibi s47F
 I note that at the top of the notice it states “circulation to the media”?

Thank you

Kind regards

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From: s22(1)(a)(ii)
Sent: Friday, 7 December 2018 1:57 PM
To: s22(1)(a)(ii)
Subject: HPRM: FW: PRESS RELEASE: BKK Says Bahrain was aware of an Australian-resident flight and requested his arrest [SEC=PROTECTED]
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Thank you.

Appreciate if attendees could confirm details (thanks s22(1)(a)(ii) and I will be available to collect people at the Macquarie Street entrance at 1500.

Cheers

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From: s22(1)(a)(ii) @HOMEAFFAIRS.GOV.AU>
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Dear s22(1)(a)(ii)

I will come back to you shortly with the name/s of officers from the Humanitarian Program Capability branch that will attend today.

I have also copied in Justine Jones whose area oversees CMAL and I think needs to be part of this conversation.

Kind regards,

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A/g Assistant Secretary
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Thanks very much s22(1)(a)(ii) – and agreed – today would be best if we can line people up.

I will defer to s22(1)(a)(ii) on timing. He will attend from my area.

We understand s22(1)(a)(ii) or s22(1)(a)(ii) from ABF may also join.

Kind regards,

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Importance: High

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Sir,

Further to below we are keen to have DFAT, DHA and ABF meet with AFP (suggest the EL2 level initially) to ensure that messaging is aligned and correct as there has been a range of allegations and statements by the media which have been inaccurate and/or misleading.

We are happy to facilitate the meeting here at AFP HQ (Edmund Barton Building, Macquarie Street entrance) at 1500 today if available. Alternatively we can seek a suitable time on Monday as ongoing developments are moving quickly.

Regards

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To: s22(1)(a)(ii)

Cc: s22(1)(a)(ii) Luke MORRISH; s22(1)(a)(ii)

Subject: RE: PRESS RELEASE: BKK Says Bahrain was aware of an Australian-resident flight and requested his arrest [SEC=PROTECTED]

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Hi s22(1)(a)(ii)

Thanks very much for getting in touch – it is very timely and appreciated. You are correct in that most of the communication on this matter has been at Post (or between Post and AFP/Interpol Canberra). My focus to date has been very much on attempting to secure Mr Alaraibi's return to Australia; but I agree that we need to look at what has occurred with this matter and how we can avoid such a situation in future.

I've asked similar questions of ABF colleagues (copied in) over the past week and I agree that it would be good to meet to try and very simply map out the process to determine what happened in this instance and why, so we can provide further advice as requested by Ministers.

I have a personal appointment this afternoon between 1:30 and 3:00pm that I cannot miss, and so if the timing doesn't work I would send one of my EL2s this afternoon in person: s22(1)(a)(ii) or s22(1)(a)(ii) (both cc'ed).

Kind regards,

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Hi s22(1)(a)(ii)

Further to our discussion, appreciate if you are able to find out if Mr McGregor has had discussions with AFP yet on this and if so who that may have been as we understand from DFAT that he is managing this?

We facilitate all INTERPOL related enquiries within the AFP's International Operations portfolio and have had involvement with this matter (including arranging for INTERPOL re cancel the Red Notice).

We note that there has been a lot of discussion at Bangkok Post but there does not appear to have been much interagency discussion at the Canberra end so we are seeking to close of that gap. We would also like to look at what has occurred with this matter and move forward in rectifying any identified issues so we can avoid this type of problem into the future.

If there is any scope to meet with the AFP Head of the Australian INTERPOL NCB this afternoon (considering the Ministerial interest) we think this would be beneficial considering the ongoing developments with this matter.

Regards

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Thanks s22(1)(a)(ii)

We are aiming to respond to post by 1pm and have a teleconference currently scheduled at 2pm (I'll send the invite to s22(1)(a)(ii) and yourself).

Kind regards,

s22(1)(a)(ii)

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Hi s22(1)(a)(ii)

We are just determining what can be provided as we note that the chronology sought is for the use in a legal process in Thailand. We may not be able to provide much on that basis but will advise as soon as we can.

Regards

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Thanks s22(1)(a)(ii) See below.

- Interpol Red Notice loaded onto the Interpol website on 8 November 2018
- Border Operations Centre (BOC) loaded the notice onto CMAL on 22 November (Note: BOC has an internal service standard of 14 days from date of publication on the Interpol website for loading notices)
- Client referred on departure at Melbourne airport on 27 November as a result of the CMAL alert
- Melbourne airport border staff contacted Interpol Canberra which advised that there was no active arrest warrants for the passenger's arrest, resulting in the passenger being outwards cleared.

Regards

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Dear s22(1)(a)(ii)

Hope you have both managed to have a relaxing weekend.

The situation is continuing to evolve in Bangkok and post has now requested my area prepare a full chronology of events to assist Mr A's legal team.

s22(1)(a)(ii) are you able to provide us with the chronology of events from when the Interpol alert was raised by Bahrain?

s22(1)(a)(ii) are you able to provide the details/timeline of the CMAL listing and airport departure?

s22(1)(a)(ii) is preparing the response for post and is copied into this email.

Appreciate if we could have responses asap as post has asked for the information by this afternoon.

Kind regards,

s22(1)(a)(ii)

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Attachments: 2018 - Alaraibi Chronology to input to DHA.DOCX

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Dear s22(1)(a)(ii)

As discussed in the telecon this afternoon, we understand that you are putting together the chronology for internal use only and not for external disclosure. On this basis, please find attached document for your information.

We also note your advice that the UNHCR will be in Bangkok and meeting on this matter with the Embassy on Thursday, and we would appreciate if you could please ensure that our Senior Liaison Officer s22(1)(a)(ii) is included in arrangements for this.

Regards



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Thanks s22(1)(a)(ii)

We'll include the details below into our chronology for post and let you know if further details are requested.

Kind regards,

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AFP Australian INTERPOL National Central Bureau (NCB) Chronology:

09NOV2018 1042 - Daily Alert from INTERPOL received on new, amended and cancelled Notices (new listing for ALARAIBI) which includes basic details (name, dob and offence codes of ^{s47F} [REDACTED] which was sent by NCB Canberra the same date to ^{s22(1)(a)(ii)} [REDACTED] to ensure any listings are updated.
(Note that INTERPOL information is provided to DHA on the basis that any matches are notified to any Australian linked entities. No notification was provided with reference to this subject until 27NOV2018 – see below)

27NOV2018 c:1500 - ABF contacted AFP AOCC who passed to NCB Canberra that subject was leaving Australian from Melbourne to Bangkok.

1506 - As part of NCB Canberra's standard processes, the destination country (Thailand) and Notice originating country (Bahrain) were advised of this travel.

(Noting that NCB Canberra was unaware of Protection Status)

^{s33(a)(iii)} [REDACTED]

2021 - INTERPOL Fugitive Investigative Support also seeks NCB Bangkok take action as subject ^{s47F} [REDACTED]

^{s33(a)(iii)} [REDACTED]

28NOV2018 1120 - DHA Character and Cancellation Branch enquiry (sent direct to an NCB member off shift) seeking to disclose the Red Notice for the purposes of visa cancellation. Advice from NCB Canberra (at 0823 on 03DEC2018 on members return to work) was the Notice was cancelled and could not be used for this purpose.

^{s33(a)(iii)} [REDACTED]

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0811 - NCB Canberra seeks subject status details and confirmation from DHA Onshore Protection team.

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1343 – DHA Protection Assessment Support Section confirms subject has been granted a Protection Visa and this advice may be shared with INTERPOL but not other member countries.

1503 – NCB Canberra advises INTERPOL OLA of the advice from DHA.

01DEC2018 0034 – INTERPOL OLA notify all member countries that the Red Notice for subject has been cancelled as it does not comply with the INTERPOL Constitution and the details have been deleted from INTERPOL databases, and INTERPOL channels should not be used in relation to this case.

0224 – NCB Canberra forward further advice to NCB Bangkok reaffirming the cancellation of the Red Notice by INTERPOL.

1705 – Advice from DHA Bangkok that Thai Immigration is seeking confirmation of Notice cancellation as they are unable to reach NCB Bangkok. DHA requested cancellation advice to provide to Thai Immigration which was provided.

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Hakeem ^{s47F} ALARAIBI

DOB ^{s47F}

CLIENT ID ^{s47F}

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27/11/2018	<p>Mr ALARAIBI ^{s47F} depart Australia (TU vessel JQ29 – Melb to Bangkok)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Client referred on departure at Melbourne airport as a result of the CMAL alert Melbourne airport border staff contacted Interpol Canberra which advised that there was no active arrest warrants for the passenger's arrest, resulting in the passenger being outwards cleared.
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01/12/2018	<p>0034 – INTERPOL OLA notify all member countries that the Red Notice for subject has been cancelled as it does not comply with the INTERPOL Constitution and the details have been deleted from INTERPOL databases, and INTERPOL channels should not be used in relation to this case.</p> <p>0224 – NCB Canberra forward further advice to NCB Bangkok reaffirming the cancellation of the Red Notice by INTERPOL.</p> <p>1705 – Advice from DHA Bangkok that Thai Immigration is seeking confirmation of Notice cancellation as they are unable to reach NCB Bangkok. DHA requested cancellation advice to provide to Thai Immigration which was provided.</p>

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Hi Robert, that's for getting in contact. My media director s22(1)(a)(ii) has been working closely with AFP & the MO on this. I'll get her to reach back in to them. Cheers, s22(1)(a)(ii)

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Hi s22(1)(a)(ii)

AFP have contacted me (below) regarding the TPs for media inquiries relating to Mr Alaraibi, particularly the role of INTERPOL. I explained to AFP that the Department's policy was not to comment on individual cases for privacy reasons. In the case below, I think the key issue for AFP revolves around their first point (i.e. Interpol not aware of visa status). However, again, I'm not sure that we can go into that level of detail. This might be worth further discussion between your staff and AFP.

Regards,

Robert McGregor

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Hi Rob,

Thanks for taking my call.

My teams have been working back and forward with DHA on appropriate talking points relating to this matter. Unfortunately, there appears a disconnect in answering directly the questions relating to the role of the AFP. We consider this creates a gap in the narrative that has already been picked up on by Media outlets. We are conscious of the need to have coordinated media TPs with a consistent position from the Portfolio, however the suggested TPs do not answer the questions being put to the Portfolio.

This is the previous proposed talking points rejected by Home Affairs and their proposed alternative.

AFP proposed:

- *The INTERPOL National Central Bureau in Australia was not aware of the visa status of Mr AlAraibi at the time of his departure from Australia.*
- *When the INTERPOL National Central Bureau in Australia was advised that Mr AlAraibi held a refugee visa, that advice was provided to INTERPOL's Office for Legal Affairs) in accordance with INTERPOL rules, policies and procedures.*
- *Consequently, the Red Notice was cancelled within 24 hrs by INTERPOL's Office for Legal Affairs.*
- *Any determination of refugee status and processes surrounding visa grants is a matter for the Department of Home Affairs.*

Home Affairs proposed:

- *When applicants are granted a protection visa they are notified of the conditions and entitlements attached to it.*
- *Protection visa holders:*
 - *are able to remain permanently in Australia and work without restriction*
 - *are able to depart and re-enter Australia for five years from the date the Protection visa being granted.*
 - *must seek approval in writing from the Department of Home Affairs to enter the country from which they have been found to engage Australia's protection obligations.*
 - *do not need approval to travel to any other country.*
 - *to travel outside Australia, they must first contact an Australian Passport Office of the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade to apply for a travel document, and not use the passport or travel document issued to them by their country of nationality.*
- *The AFP routinely cooperates and shares information with its international law enforcement counterparts.*
- *National law enforcement authorities can advise INTERPOL's Office for Legal Affairs (OLA) it believes a Red Notice should be cancelled. In this case it was cancelled within 24 hours.*
- *The Interpol Red Notice was not put in place by Australia; the existence of the Interpol Red Notice would have come to the attention of Thai authorities when the person attempted to enter Thailand.*
- *Any action taken in response to the Interpol Red Notice is a matter for Thai authorities.*
- *Any further questions on this matter are a matter for Thai authorities.*

I will be on the mobile if you wish to discuss.

Kind Regards

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Subject: Release of Hakeem Ali Alaraibi from Thailand

Originating Division: SED**Version Date:** 12/2/2019

Reason for Update: Fully revised talking points following the release of Mr Hakeem Alaraibi.

Version: 5**Expiry:** 30/04/2019

Talking Points

- *Australia welcomes the Thai Government's decision to allow Mr Hakeem Alaraibi to return to Australia*
 - *and commends Thailand's commitment to due process and human rights.*
- *The people of Australia have a great affection for Thailand and the Thai people*
 - *Australians deeply appreciate the Thai Government's decision, allowing Mr Alaraibi to return to his wife and his local community.*
- *Thailand is an important and longstanding regional partner for Australia, with which we cooperate closely on a wide range of issues and share strong people-to-people links*
 - *Thailand is our ninth largest trading partner*
 - *we look forward to continuing to work very closely with Thailand on a wide range of issues, including this year in support of its role as Chair of ASEAN.*
- *We also acknowledge the constructive dialogue we have had with Bahrain in helping to resolve this issue*

- *Australia and Bahrain share a friendly and longstanding relationship, underpinned by trade, people-to-people links and shared interests in defence and regional security*
- *this is a relationship which Australia will continue to build upon.*
- *We thank all those who have supported Mr Alaraibi during his detention, including his family and friends, the Football Federation of Australia, FIFA, and the IOC*
 - *we also thank Mr Alaraibi's legal team, which had worked extensively to support his legal case*
 - *and the Thai immigration and prison officials who facilitated regular access for the Australian Embassy while he was in detention.*

If asked: Did Bahrain withdraw the extradition request?

- *This was a matter between Thailand and Bahrain, and the Australian Government doesn't propose to comment on the details.*

If asked: Has Australia received an extradition request from Bahrain for Alaraibi?

- *Under Australia's Extradition Act 1988, the Attorney-General is responsible for considering any extradition requests, which are usually conveyed through diplomatic channels.*
- *As a matter of longstanding policy, the Australia Government does not comment on the details of its consideration of particular cases or our communications with foreign countries regarding extradition.*

If asked: about the Australia-Bahrain bilateral extradition relationship:

- *Australia does not have a bilateral extradition treaty with Bahrain.*

If asked: Did the Australian Government do a deal with Thailand to secure his release?

- *No. This was a decision by the Thai Government. Australia deeply appreciates the Thai Government's decision to allow Mr Alaraibi to return to Australia.*

If asked: What is the Australian Government doing to ensure this situation is not repeated?

- *Relevant agencies are reviewing their procedures to try to ensure that this situation doesn't happen again.*

If asked: Have we damaged the bilateral relationship with Thailand by speaking out so forcefully on this matter?

- *No, Australia and Thailand enjoy a long, deep and enduring partnership. Our engagement on this matter with all levels of the Thai Government is reflective of the deep and constructive relationship we have.*

If asked: Have we damaged the bilateral relationship with Bahrain?

- *No. Australia has a long-standing bilateral relationship with Bahrain, which is an important regional security partner.*

If asked: Will Australia now grant Mr Alaraibi citizenship?

- *I understand Mr Alaraibi was on the path to Australian citizenship, and any application will need to be considered in the usual way.*

If asked: Why didn't the Australian Government just grant him citizenship?

- *All applicants for citizenship must be physically in Australia at the time their case is decided.*

If asked: Did Australia issue the INTERPOL Red Notice?

- *No, the INTERPOL Red Notice was requested by Bahrain and issued on 8 November 2018.*
- *INTERPOL's 'Policy on the Processing of Data Relating to Refugees' requires close assessment of any country request for a Notice should they be known to be a refugee with a presumption to refuse the Notice request.*
- *As soon as INTERPOL was advised of Mr Alaraibi's status as a protected refugee by Australia, this procedure was followed and resulted in the cancellation of the Notice within 24 hours.*
- *Australia informed INTERPOL and the Thai Government of Mr Alaraibi's refugee status on 29 November, and the INTERPOL Red Notice was cancelled on 30 November.*

If asked: Did DFAT provide advice to Mr Alaraibi regarding his safety in travelling to Thailand?

- *The Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT) did not provide assurances to Mr Alaraibi that it was safe for him to travel to Thailand.*
- *As a matter of standard practice, DFAT does not provide tailored or individualised travel advice.*

If Asked: Did Mr Alaraibi travel on a refugee passport?

- *Yes, Mr Alaraibi was travelling on a Titre de Voyage passport.*

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Handling Notes

Media Interest

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Approval

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