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MARITIME & PORT SECURITY SYMPOSIUM

MARITIME & PORT SECURITY IN LIGHT OF THE 2008 NATIONAL
SECURITY STATEMENT & THE 2009 DEFENCE WHITE PAPER

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The Prime Minister, Kevin Rudd, tabled in December 2008 Australia's first whole-of-government National Security Statement. The document was the first of a raft of new national security and defence policy undertakings made by Labor during the course of the 2007 election campaign, which is now materialising in the form of: the 2009 Defence White Paper (and accompanying Defence Capability Plan), a new Foreign Policy Statement, a new Counter-Terrorism White Paper, and a first national Energy Security Statement.

Central themes expanded upon in the National Security Statement were: maintaining Australia's territorial & border security; promoting Australia's political sovereignty; preserving the nation's cohesive and resilient society and the long-term strengths of our economy; protecting Australians and Australian interests both at home and abroad; and promoting an international environment (particularly in the Asia-Pacific region), that is stable, peaceful and prosperous, together with a global rules-based order which enhances Australia's national interests.

At the heart of the 2008 National Security Statement, was a plan to re-engineer Australia's national security infrastructure, beginning with the appointment of Duncan Lewis as Australia's first National Security Adviser. Lewis has since recruited a cadre of top operatives to resource the functions of the Office of National Security, which has been charged with: providing improved strategic direction within the national security community; supporting whole-of-government national security policy development and crisis response; and promoting a cohesive national security culture. Work is now underway to prepare Australia's first national security Budget for consideration early next year in the framing of the 2010 Federal budget.

Developing a comprehensive and consistent approach to whole-of-government national security matters, including the scientific and industry base upon which it is to be supported, is an important component of improving the means for coordination between agencies, as well as the provision of strategic direction for all contributors to the national security outcome. This was identified as a high priority by former Defence Secretary, Ric Smith, in his Homeland and Border Security Review (which fed into the Prime Minister's National Security Statement), as well as the new Strategic Border Management Plan, currently before the Government for consideration.

Accordingly, the aim of the Pacific 2010 Maritime & Port Security Symposium is to take some of the lead themes emerging from the re-engineering of Australia's national security infrastructure and subsequent definition of the new Strategic Border Management Plan, and focus discussion on practical implications for the security of critical offshore resource production platforms, and major ports. In terms of case studies, the three areas to be addressed by symposium speakers involve oil & gas platforms, cruise liners and piracy.

THURSDAY 28 JANUARY 2010

Stream A – BORDER MANAGEMENT ISSUES

10.00am – Introduction by Trevor J Thomas, Editor-in-Chief, Australian Defence Business Review, and handover to session Chairman, Mr David Bendall, Director, Maritrade

10.10am – Session A-1: Emerging issues for Australian border management and port security from the evolution of the federal Home Affairs portfolio - Update on progress in implementing whole-of-government approaches to maritime & port security, with reference to National Security Statement priorities - one year on.

**Keynote Speaker: The Hon Brendan O'Connor, MP,
Federal Minister for Home Affairs**

10.30am – Session A-2: Strategic Border Management Security – The impact of new Government policy definition on evolving security challenges & plans for Australian ports - What are the real threats and risks? How can new directions from Canberra be melded with state maritime security plans already in place?

Speaker: National Maritime Ports Authority representative

10.50am – Session A-3: Implementing the new Strategic Border Management Plan - with reference to future surveillance and response challenges facing the Australian Customs & Border Protection Service.

**Speaker: Rear Admiral Allan du Toit, Commander,
Border Protection Command**

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11.20am – Session A-4: Issues for New Zealand's new National Security Review from the maritime security perspective – with reference to project 'Protector' inshore- and off-shore- patrol vessel service introduction, and capacity building measures between NZ's National Maritime Coordination Centre and Australia's BPC.

Speaker: Mr Richard Davies, Director, New Zealand National Maritime Coordination Centre

11.45am – Session A-5: Q&A's/Panel Discussion

Stream B – TECHNOLOGY RESPONSES

2.00 pm – Session opening by Chairman, Mr David Bendall, Director, Maritrade

2.10 pm – Session B-1: Effective maritime security operations – meeting Australia's peculiar challenges of relatively open boundaries, a large coast line and physical space, multiple targets of interest in the maritime domain, and the mix of national legislative and international legal responsibilities.

Keynote Speaker: Mr Bernard Kachoyan, Head of Maritime Security, Maritime Operations Division, Defence Science & Technology Organisation

2.30 pm – Session B-2: International Perspectives - Reliable identity management on sea and land. What role does it play, and how effectively does it contribute to managing maritime security threats?

Speaker: Mr Anthony Patterson, Director Business Development, Special Mission, Cobham Aviation Services Australia

2.50 pm – Session B-3: Distilling military technology into the civil sector - Case studies on directions in the National Security Statement and Strategic Border Management Plan.

Speaker: Mr Graeme Dunk, Director Defence & Government Relations, L-3 Nautronix

3.25 pm - Session B-4: Connecting government & industry in the cause of port and remote area security preparedness – Perspectives from a global security technology supplier.

Speaker: Mr Simon Carr, Vice President, Sales & Marketing, Thales Australia

3.45 pm – Session B-5: Q&A's/Panel Discussion

4.00 pm – Stream Close

FRIDAY 29 JANUARY 2010

Stream C – CURRENT SECURITY CHALLENGES

10.00 am – Session opening by Chairman: Trevor J Thomas, Editor-in-Chief, Australian Defence Business Review

10.10 am – Session C-1: Upcoming trends in relation to increased offshore oil & gas activity off Australia's north west coast, and mechanisms for engaging government agencies in improving security outcomes for existing and future facilities.

Keynote Speaker: Mr Jason Medd, Senior Policy Analyst, Australian Petroleum Production & Exploration Association Limited

10.30 am – Session C-2: Implications of the rapid growth of Australian maritime tourism. Case Study – Protecting cruise liners when they are most vulnerable. Challenges & solutions.

Speaker: Carnival Australia representative

10.50 am – Session C-3: Case Study – Cruise liner protection at the front line of international conflict. Practical examples

from effective security measures in the Mediterranean and the Middle East.

Speaker: International Port Security representative

11.15 am – Session C-4: The impact of pirate activity on Australia's maritime trade – Indian Ocean, Pacific Ocean or Straits of Malacca. Where are the weakest links, and what are the likely risk scenarios?

Speaker: Ms Rita Parker, Visiting Fellow, Defence & Security Applications Research Centre, UNSW@ADFA and Principal, ISSR

11.40 am – Session C-5: Building boats for ever faster response – How quick can we make them, and where is the threshold in terms of shock and ergonomic factors?

Speaker: Dr Johan Ullman, CEO, Ullman Dynamics

12.00pm - Session C-6: Q&A's/Panel Discussion

12.15pm – Stream Close and Symposium Wrap Up



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