

ANNEX 1



ASEAN REGIONAL FORUM

**ASEAN Regional Forum (ARF)
Workshop on National Maritime Single Points of Contact
28-29 April 2016**

Objectives and Provisional Agenda

The Philippine's National Coast Watch Council Secretariat, Australian Border Force, and US Pacific Command, will be co-hosting the ASEAN Regional Forum (ARF) Workshop of National Maritime Single Points of Contact on April 2016 at Cebu City, Philippines. This activity is part of the ARF Maritime Security Work Program for the intersessional year 2015-2017.

The event shall feature facilitated discussions that focus on identifying opportunities for enhancement of maritime security within the region through functional cooperation among the national maritime single points of contact.

A. Objectives. The Workshop shall have the following objectives:

1. Promote transparency through the sharing of national best practices and experiences on developing ways and means of addressing maritime security concerns. This shall involve briefings on the national-level experiences in the establishment of either a coordinating body or a directing agency for maritime security operations. This sharing of best practices may provide insights to other countries still in the process of developing national maritime single points of contacts on how to manage the challenges in moving forward with such initiative.

2. Establish working level interaction among the personnel of the region's national maritime single points of contact. As a working level meeting, the participants for the workshop should be senior operational level officers who has policy knowledge and working experience on how their organizations accomplish their tasks. The working level interaction shall focus on how existing organizations within each nation can coordinate and cooperate with their counterparts. The essential requirements for such cross-country coordination will be identified and discussed.

3. Discuss and identify the elements of a future framework of cooperation on maritime security including protocols on information sharing and coordinated response consistent with international law and existing multilateral agreements. This objective is aimed at identifying the essential characteristics and capabilities of a national maritime single points of contact and the requisites for establishing cooperative activities among them.

4. Identify specific activities that provide mutual support in developing capabilities and capacities of national maritime single points of contact for cross-border and multilateral maritime security

operations. The aim of the workshop is to identify concrete and incremental steps to realize the goal of a shared domain awareness within the region.

- B. Participants.** The quality of participants is critical to the success of the event. Following the principle of ASEAN Centrality in the work of the ARF, all ten (10) ASEAN nations' must be represented in the Workshop. Recognizing the inherent differences in the structures and authorities of existing national organizations, it is necessary to identify the focus areas of the discussion. This will allow the member States of ARF to identify among the national points of contact who should be represented during the discussions.

The maritime concerns in the region can either be safety, law enforcement, and economic security issues. Safety issues are addressed by already established procedures and organizations. They operate and coordinate mainly through established Search and Rescue Coordinating Centers. The greater gap in capabilities, capacities, and coordination are found among law enforcement and economic security organizations.

Further recognizing the differences in the mandates, organizational structures, and capabilities of national maritime law enforcement agencies in the region, each national government must identify the most appropriate entities to participate in the workshop. To provide a level of commonality, the delegation should come from or composed of representatives from organizations having a combination of any of the following characteristics:

- a. It is manning and maintaining a 24/7 operational center;
- b. It is vested with the authority to either coordinate or direct inter-agency actions on law enforcement;
- c. It is equipped with mission essential communications systems to maintain a common operating picture; and
- d. Being a law enforcement organization, the required participating agency or coordinating body must have the ability to provide basic operational legal advice.

The organizers are open to assisting the national delegations in identifying the agency/agencies who should be represented for the workshop. Should you require clarification, you may contact:

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27 April 2016 – Co-Chairs Meeting and Arrival of Participants

Arrival Day

DAY 1 – 28 April 2016

- 0800H – 0830H Registration
- 0830H – 0900H Co-Chairs Introduction and Welcome Remarks
- 0900H – 0930H Keynote Remarks by USEC JOSE LUIS M. ALANO
- 0930H – 1000H **GROUP PHOTO AND MORNING BREAK**
- 1000H – 1100H (Plenary) Review of ASEAN Cooperation on Maritime Security
(US to Lead)

This session is intended to provide an overview of existing policy and operational level cooperation within ASEAN on maritime security. The session will take stock of the existing initiatives of different ASEAN bodies dealing with security issues such as the ASEAN Ministerial Meeting on Transnational Crime, ASEAN Defense Ministers' Meeting, ASEAN Maritime Forum, etc.

- 1100H – 1200H (Plenary) Exchange of Views on Maritime Security Cooperation
(AUS to Lead)
- 1200H – 1300H Lunch
- 1300H – 1330H Lead-up to Break-out Group Sessions (PHL to Lead)
- 1330H – 1600H Break-out Session on National Best Practices and Experiences on Addressing Maritime Security Concern

This breakout session will discuss how countries in the region are addressing maritime security concerns at the national level. Participants are encouraged to be prepared to share the mechanisms within their governments to coordinate maritime security operations among national agencies.

Breakout Group 1 (Best Practices and Challenges on Coordinating without Single POCs)	Breakout Group 2 (Best Practices and Challenges on Establishing Single POCs)	Breakout Group 3 (Best Practices, Challenges, and Success Stories on Coordinating Through Single POCs)
Facilitator: US Presentations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Operation Orkim Harmony by MMEA • NMOG, Singapore Experience 	Facilitator: AUS Presentations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Australian Experience • Cambodia Experience • Indonesia Experience 	Facilitator: PHL Presentations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Joint Harbor Operations Center, USCG • PHL Experience

<p>Discussion Questions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How do countries effectively coordinate maritime security operations at the national level? • What are the challenges encountered in coordinating without a single organization? How are these challenges addressed? 	<p>Discussion Questions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How countries succeeded in establishing single points of contact? • How did countries organize their single points of contact? 	<p>Discussion Questions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How countries succeeded in establishing single points of contact? • How did countries organize their single points of contact?
<p>Senior Leaders' Seminar</p> <p><i>"Challenges to Multilateral Maritime Security Cooperation in the Asia-Pacific Region"</i></p>		

- 1600H – 1645H Plenary Presentation
- 1645H – 1700H Wrap-Up of Day 1 Discussions
- 1700H – 1800H Facilitators Meeting and Preparations for Day 2
- 1900H – 2100H Welcome Dinner

DAY 2—29 April 2016

- 0800H – 0830H Registration
- 0830H – 0900H Lead-up to Break-out Group Meetings (AUS to Lead)
- 0900H – 1100H Break-out Group Discussions

This Session shall attempt to discuss and identify the elements of a future framework of cooperation through the existing national constructs. The participants will be grouped based on the presence of national single points of contact and the nature of such organizations – coordinating centers versus directing centers. Another group will discuss the elements of a Single Point of Contact that may be utilized for cross-border cooperation from the perspectives of countries which are yet to organize one. Essential requirements that may be discussed include protocols on information sharing and coordinated response.

A Senior Leaders' Seminar will be devoted to identifying practical approaches to maritime security cooperation particularly on information-sharing and developing domain awareness.

Group 1	Group 2	Group 3	Senior Leaders Seminar
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Facilitator: PHL Coordinating Centers	Facilitator: AUS Directing Centers	Facilitator: US Elements of a Single Points of Contact Presentation: <i>San Diego Law Enforcement Coordinating Center</i>	Practical Approaches to Maritime Security Cooperation in the Region
- Legal framework/ authorities - Challenges/ impediments - Best practices	- Legal framework/ authorities - Challenges/ impediments - Best practices	- Legal framework/ authorities - Mission Essential Capabilities - Basic Capacities	- International conventions on maritime safety and security and requirements for information-sharing - The MSSIS and Seavision

- 1100H – 1145H Plenary Presentations
- 1145H – 1200H Wrap-up of Morning Session
- 1200H – 1300H Lunch
- 1300H – 1330H Lead-up to Break-out Group Meetings *(US to Lead)*
Framework for Building Maritime Domain Awareness
- 1330H – 1600H Breakout Group Discussions

Having learned and identified the requirements for maritime security cooperation in the previous sessions, the next step is to focus on specific and incremental activities realize the goal of a shared awareness of the maritime domain and coordinated law enforcement operations. Prior to the breakout group discussions, a levelling-off briefing will be provided defining the scope of maritime domain awareness. This will enable the participants to have a common framework during the discussions. The goal is to identify what each countries need to develop in order to enable cooperation on information-sharing and coordinated law enforcement operations in the region.

The participants will be grouped based on the functional requirements for maritime security from information collection to response based on the levelling-off brief.

Group 1	Group 2	Group 3	Senior Leaders
Observe, collect, fuse	Analyze and Disseminate	Decide and Act	Site Visit
- Capability requirements - Challenges/	- Capacity requirements - Information sharing protocols	- Coordinated response - Providing basic	The Senior Leaders will be provided with a tour of facilities being built for the National Coast Watch

impediments - Best practices	- Challenges/ impediments - Best practices	operational legal advice	Center and a demonstration of the MSSIS and Seavision.
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1600H – 1645H Plenary Presentations

1645H – 1730H Wrap-up and Closing Ceremonies