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MEDIA TALKING POINTS DISTRIBUTION: CRISIS

Topic: CRISIS MANAGEMENT
Subject: Israel-Iran Conflict

Originating Division: MAD

Version Date: 14/6/2025
Version: 1

Reason for Update: New talking points
Expiry: 14/09/2025

Talking Points

Headline Statements

- Australia is alarmed by the escalation between Israel and Iran, which risks further destabilising an already volatile region.
- Australia urges all parties to prioritise dialogue and diplomacy
 - and to refrain from actions and rhetoric that further exacerbate tensions.
- Airspace is closed in Iran, Israel, Iraq and Jordan
 - Australians in conflict-affected areas should shelter in place, monitor Smartraveller, and follow the advice of local authorities
 - our travel advice for both Iran and Israel is now 'Do Not Travel'.
- Australians in need of emergency consular assistance should contact the Consular Emergency Centre on +61 2 6261 3305.

RECENT DEVELOPMENTS

Geopolitical situation

- Australia is alarmed by the escalation between Israel and Iran, which risks further destabilising an already volatile region.
- Australia urges all parties to prioritise dialogue and diplomacy
 - and to refrain from actions and rhetoric that further exacerbate tensions.

Iran's actions

- Australia urges Iran to show maximum restraint to avoid a broader conflict
 - we condemn missile strikes on populated areas.
- Australia urges all parties with influence to promote de-escalation and restraint.

Iran's nuclear program

- Iran's nuclear and ballistic missile program threatens international peace and security.
- The IAEA Board of Governors has declared that Iran is in breach of its non-proliferation obligations for the first time in almost 20 years [12 June]
 - welcome the IAEA Director-General's readiness to travel to Iran to assess the situation and ensure safety, security and non-proliferation in Iran.
- Australia continues to call on Iran to return to full compliance with its nuclear safeguard obligations
 - and to cooperate fully with the IAEA to provide assurance to the world that Iran is not developing nuclear weapons.

Do Israel's actions violate of international law?

- Not helpful to offer a running legal commentary.
- Australia has urged all parties to prioritise dialogue and diplomacy.

Concerns about regional spillover?

- The security situation in the region is fragile
 - we call on all parties to avoid any action that could exacerbate tensions and threatening peace and security.

Is the US involved?

- On 13 May, Secretary of State Rubio said that the US was not involved in Israel's strikes against Iran.

Consular

- In Iran, airspace is closed and options to leave are limited
 - the Australian Government may not be able to assist with departure
 - Australians in Iran should shelter in place and follow the advice of local authorities in affected areas
 - we continue to advise Australians 'Do Not Travel' to Iran.
- In **Israel and the Occupied Palestinian Territories**, the security situation is concerning
 - air space is now closed
 - Australians should shelter in place in the event of attacks, follow the advice of local authorities and monitor public safety information updates through local media and Israel's National Emergency Portal
 - we've raised our level of advice and now [13 June] advise Australians 'Do Not Travel' to Israel and the Occupied Palestinian Territories
 - this is due to the volatile security situation, armed conflict, civil unrest and terrorism.
- Across the **Middle East**, the security situation could deteriorate without notice
 - Middle East travel advisories have been updated to advise:
 - there may be airspace closures, flight and other travel disruptions
 - Australians should be alert to personal safety risks and avoid protests and demonstrations
 - Australians should subscribe to Smartraveller for updates.
- Australians in need of emergency consular assistance should contact the Consular Emergency Centre on +61 2 6261 3305.

Is Australia evacuating government staff posted in the region?

- We take the safety of Australians overseas very seriously.

- Due to the deteriorating security environment, the Australian Government has offered voluntary departures for dependents of Australian officials posted in Iran, and Israel and the Occupied Palestinian Territories
 - however, due to air space closures departure options are limited.

Are Australian Defence Force members posted in the region safe?

- The Australian Defence Force continually revises force protection measures for its personnel deployed across the Middle East region.
- For operational security reasons, Defence does not comment on the nature of force protection measures.

Any use or disclosure of personal information about individuals and the incidents contained in this background should not be made public. To do so may constitute a breach of the Privacy Act 1988 (Cth).

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MEDIA TALKING POINTS DISTRIBUTION: CRISIS

Topic: CRISIS MANAGEMENT
Subject: Israel-Iran Conflict

Originating Division: MAD

Version Date: 15/6/2025
Version: 2

Reason for Update: New talking points
Expiry: 14/09/2025

Talking Points

Headline Statements

- Australia is *deeply concerned about events unfolding in the Middle East* which risk further destabilising an already volatile region
 - *the security situation continues to deteriorate with further attacks overnight.*
- Australia urges all parties to prioritise dialogue and diplomacy
 - and to refrain from *further* actions and rhetoric that exacerbate tensions.
- *The safety of Australians is our priority*
 - Australians in conflict-affected areas should shelter in place, monitor Smartraveller, and follow the advice of local *media and* authorities
 - our travel advice for Iran and Israel *remains* 'Do Not Travel'.
- *Australian citizens or permanent residents in Iran, Israel or the Occupied Palestinian Territories can now register on the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade's crisis registration portal.*
 - Australians in need of emergency consular assistance should contact the Consular Emergency Centre on +61 2 6261 3305.

RECENT DEVELOPMENTS

Geopolitical situation

- Australia is *deeply concerned about events unfolding in the Middle East* which risk further destabilising an already volatile region
 - *the security situation continues to deteriorate with further attacks overnight.*
- Australia urges all parties to prioritise dialogue and diplomacy
- and refrain from *further* actions and rhetoric that exacerbate tensions.

Iran's actions

- Australia urges Iran to show maximum restraint to avoid a broader conflict

- we condemn missile strikes on populated areas.
- Australia urges all parties with influence to promote de-escalation and restraint.

Iran's nuclear program

- Iran's nuclear and ballistic missile program threatens international peace and security.
- The IAEA Board of Governors has declared that Iran is in breach of its non-proliferation obligations for the first time in almost 20 years [12 June]
 - welcome the IAEA Director-General's readiness to travel to Iran to assess the situation and ensure safety, security and non-proliferation in Iran.
- Australia continues to call on Iran to return to full compliance with its nuclear safeguard obligations
 - and to cooperate fully with the IAEA to provide assurance to the world that Iran is not developing nuclear weapons.

Do Israel's actions violate international law?

- Australia has urged all parties to prioritise dialogue and diplomacy.

Concerns about regional spillover?

- The security situation in the region is fragile
 - we call on all parties to avoid any *further* actions that exacerbate tensions and threaten peace and security.

Is the US involved?

- On 13 June, Secretary of State Rubio said that the US was not involved in Israel's strikes against Iran.

Consular

Iran

- *Following military strikes in **Iran**, Australians in Iran should shelter in place and take the advice of local authorities in affected areas.*
- *The Australian Government may not be able to assist with departure.*
- *We continue to advise Do Not Travel to Iran.*
- *If you're an Australian citizen or permanent resident in Iran, you can now register on the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade's crisis registration portal*
 - *keep your registration details up to date so we can contact you*
 - *we will communicate directly with registered Australians with important updates.*
- *If you need emergency consular assistance, contact the Australian Government's Consular Emergency Centre on +61 2 6261 3305 (if you're overseas) and 1300 555 135 (in Australia).*

Israel and Occupied Palestinian Territories

- *Due to the deteriorating security situation, we now advise Do Not Travel to **Israel** and the **Occupied Palestinian Territories***
 - *there's an increased threat of military and terrorist attacks against Israel*
 - *in an attack or other armed conflict, Australians should take shelter, follow the advice of local authorities and monitor local media and public safety information updates through the National Emergency Portal (in Israel only).*

- *If you're an Australian citizen or permanent resident in Israel and the Occupied Palestinian Territories, you can now register on the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade's crisis registration portal. Keep your registration details up to date so we can contact you*
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Middle East

- *The security situation in the **Middle East** could continue to deteriorate and without notice. Middle East travel advisories have been updated on Smartraveller to advise:*
- *Demonstrations and protest activity may occur and there may be increased risks to Israeli interests in the region.*
- *There may also be airspace closures, flight and other travel disruptions*
- *Australians should be alert to personal safety risks*
 - *Australians should subscribe to Smartraveller for updates.*
- *If you need emergency consular assistance, contact the Australian Government's Consular Emergency Centre on +61 2 6261 3305 (if you're overseas) and 1300 555 135 (in Australia).*

Is Australia evacuating government staff posted in the region?

- *The safety of all Australians is our priority.*
- *Due to the deteriorating security environment, the Australian Government has offered voluntary departures for dependents of Australian officials posted in Iran, and Israel and the Occupied Palestinian Territories*
 - *however, due to air space closures departure options are limited.*

Is Australia providing support to nationals on the ground?

- *The safety of all Australians is our priority.*
- *Airspace remains closed in Iran, Israel, and Iraq.*
- *Australians in Israel or the Occupied Palestinian Territories should follow Home Front Command guideline and monitor public safety information updates through local media and Israel's National Emergency Portal.*

With air closures, are there options to depart Israel and the Occupied Palestinian Territories overland?

- *The safety of all Australians, including our diplomatic staff overseas, is our priority.*
- *There remains an increased threat of military and terrorist attacks against Israel.*
- *Australians in Israel or the Occupied Palestinian Territories should follow Home Front Command guideline and monitor public safety information updates through local media and Israel's National Emergency Portal.*
- *There are reports of individuals leaving Israel overland by one of the three land border crossings to Jordan*
 - *However, the situation remains fluid, involves significant safety risks and can change at short notice.*
- *Opening times can change at short notice and significant travel may be involved.*
- *If you do choose to leave by land, you should check the Smartraveller Travel section for guidance on exit locations and opening times.*

Are Australian Defence Force members posted in the region safe?

- The Australian Defence Force continually revises force protection measures for its personnel deployed across the Middle East region.
- For operational security reasons, Defence does not comment on the nature of force protection measures.

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Subject: Israel-Iran Conflict

Originating Division: MAD

Version Date: 15/6/2025
Version: 3

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Talking Points

Headline Statements

- Australia is *deeply concerned about events unfolding in the Middle East* which risk further destabilising an already volatile region
 - *the security situation continues to deteriorate with further attacks overnight.*
- Australia urges all parties to prioritise dialogue and diplomacy
 - and to refrain from *further* actions and rhetoric that exacerbate tensions.
- *The safety of Australians is our priority*
 - Australians in conflict-affected areas should shelter in place, monitor Smartraveller, and follow the advice of local *media and* authorities
 - our travel advice for Iran and Israel *remains* 'Do Not Travel'.
- *Australian citizens or permanent residents in Iran, Israel or the Occupied Palestinian Territories can now register on the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade's crisis registration portal.*
 - Australians in need of emergency consular assistance should contact the Consular Emergency Centre on +61 2 6261 3305.

RECENT DEVELOPMENTS

Geopolitical situation

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Iran's actions

- Australia urges Iran to show maximum restraint to avoid a broader conflict

- we condemn missile strikes on populated areas.
- Australia urges all parties with influence to promote de-escalation and restraint.

Iran's nuclear program

- Iran's nuclear and ballistic missile program threatens international peace and security.
- The IAEA Board of Governors has declared that Iran is in breach of its non-proliferation obligations for the first time in almost 20 years [12 June]
 - welcome the IAEA Director-General's readiness to travel to Iran to assess the situation and ensure safety, security and non-proliferation in Iran.
- Australia continues to call on Iran to return to full compliance with its nuclear safeguard obligations
 - and to cooperate fully with the IAEA to provide assurance to the world that Iran is not developing nuclear weapons.

Do Israel's actions violate international law?

- Australia has urged all parties to prioritise dialogue and diplomacy.

Concerns about regional spillover?

- The security situation in the region is fragile
 - we call on all parties to avoid any *further* actions that exacerbate tensions and threaten peace and security.

Is the US involved?

- On 13 June, Secretary of State Rubio said that the US was not involved in Israel's strikes against Iran.

Consular

Iran

- *Following military strikes in **Iran**, Australians in Iran should shelter in place and take the advice of local authorities in affected areas.*
- *The Australian Government may not be able to assist with departure.*
- *We continue to advise Do Not Travel to Iran.*
- *If you're an Australian citizen or permanent resident in Iran, you can now register on the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade's crisis registration portal*
 - *keep your registration details up to date so we can contact you*
 - *we will communicate directly with registered Australians with important updates.*
- *If you need emergency consular assistance, contact the Australian Government's Consular Emergency Centre on +61 2 6261 3305 (if you're overseas) and 1300 555 135 (in Australia).*

Israel and Occupied Palestinian Territories

- *Due to the deteriorating security situation, we now advise Do Not Travel to **Israel** and the **Occupied Palestinian Territories***
 - *there's an increased threat of military and terrorist attacks against Israel*
 - *in an attack or other armed conflict, Australians should take shelter, follow the advice of local authorities and monitor local media and public safety information updates through the National Emergency Portal (in Israel only).*

- *If you're an Australian citizen or permanent resident in Israel and the Occupied Palestinian Territories, you can now register on the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade's crisis registration portal. Keep your registration details up to date so we can contact you*
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Middle East

- *The security situation in the **Middle East** could continue to deteriorate and without notice. Middle East travel advisories have been updated on Smartraveller to advise:*
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Is Australia evacuating government staff posted in the region?

- *The safety of all Australians is our priority.*
- *Due to the deteriorating security environment, the Australian Government has offered voluntary departures for dependents of Australian officials posted in Iran, and Israel and the Occupied Palestinian Territories*
 - *however, due to air space closures departure options are limited.*

Is Australia providing support to nationals on the ground?

- *The safety of all Australians is our priority.*
- *Airspace remains closed in Iran, Israel, and Iraq.*
- *Australians in Israel or the Occupied Palestinian Territories should follow Home Front Command guideline and monitor public safety information updates through local media and Israel's National Emergency Portal.*

With air closures, are there options to depart Israel and the Occupied Palestinian Territories overland?

- *The safety of all Australians, including our diplomatic staff overseas, is our priority.*
- *There remains an increased threat of military and terrorist attacks against Israel.*
- *Australians in Israel or the Occupied Palestinian Territories should follow Home Front Command guideline and monitor public safety information updates through local media and Israel's National Emergency Portal.*
- *There are reports of individuals leaving Israel overland by one of the three land border crossings to Jordan*
 - *However, the situation remains fluid, involves significant safety risks and can change at short notice.*
- *Opening times can change at short notice and significant travel may be involved.*
- *If you do choose to leave by land, you should check the Smartraveller Travel section for guidance on exit locations and opening times.*

Are Australian Defence Force members posted in the region safe?

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Handling Notes**Media Interest**

These events have a high level of domestic and international interest.

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Subject: Israel-Iran Conflict

Originating Division: MAD

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Version: 4

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Expiry: 15/09/2025

Talking Points

Headline Statements

- Australia is deeply concerned about *the deteriorating security situation* in the Middle East which risks further destabilising an already volatile region.
- Australia urges all parties to *de-escalate, exercise restraint, and return to dialogue and diplomacy.*
- The safety of Australians is our priority
 - Australians in conflict-affected areas should shelter in place, monitor Smartraveller, and follow the advice of local media and authorities
 - our travel advice for Iran and Israel is 'Do Not Travel'.
- Australian citizens or permanent residents in Iran, Israel or the Occupied Palestinian Territories can now register on the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade's crisis registration portal
 - Australians in need of emergency consular assistance should contact the Consular Emergency Centre on +61 2 6261 3305.

RECENT DEVELOPMENTS

Geopolitical situation

- Australia is deeply concerned about *the deteriorating security situation* in the Middle East which risks further destabilising an already volatile region.
 - There were further attacks in Iran and Israel attacks overnight, *which resulted in civilian casualties and damaged infrastructure.*
- *Foreign Minister Wong has spoken with her Israeli and Iranian counterparts and urged all parties to de-escalate, exercise restraint, and return to dialogue and diplomacy.*

Iran's nuclear program

- Iran's nuclear and ballistic missile program threatens international peace and security.

- On 12 June, the IAEA Board of Governors *found* Iran was in breach of its non-proliferation obligations for the first time in almost 20 years
 - welcome the IAEA Director-General's readiness to travel to Iran to assess the situation and ensure *nuclear* safety and security in Iran.
- Australia continues to call on Iran to return to full compliance with its obligations
 - and to cooperate fully with the IAEA.
- We continue to support a diplomatic solution to resolve international concerns related to Iran's nuclear activities
 - constructive diplomacy and engagement is the only viable path to resolve these concerns without exposing the region to further conflict.

Do Israel's actions violate international law?

- Australia has urged all parties to prioritise dialogue and diplomacy.

Concerns about regional spillover?

- The security situation in the region is fragile
 - we call on all parties to avoid any further actions that exacerbate tensions and threaten peace and security.

Is the US involved?

- On 13 June (AEST), Secretary of State Rubio said that the US was not involved in Israel's strikes against Iran.

CONSULAR

Iran

- Australians in Iran should shelter in place and take the advice of local authorities in affected areas.
- The Australian Government may not be able to assist with departure.
- We continue to advise Do Not Travel to Iran.
- If you're an Australian citizen or permanent resident in Iran, you can now register on the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade's crisis registration portal
 - keep your registration details up to date so we can contact you
 - we will communicate directly with registered Australians with important updates.
- If you need emergency consular assistance, contact the Australian Government's Consular Emergency Centre on +61 2 6261 3305 (if you're overseas) and 1300 555 135 (in Australia).

Israel and Occupied Palestinian Territories

- Due to the deteriorating security situation, we now advise Do Not Travel to Israel and the Occupied Palestinian Territories
- *Australians in Israel or the Occupied Palestinian Territories should follow Home Front Command guideline and monitor public safety information updates through local media and Israel's National Emergency Portal.*
- *There are reports of individuals leaving Israel by one of the three land border crossings to Jordan*
 - *the situation remains fluid, involves significant safety risks and can change at short notice*
 - *you should consider the risks carefully before attempting to leave by any route*
 - *border opening times can change at short notice and wait times at border crossing points could vary widely*

- *if you do choose to leave by land, border crossings from Israel into Jordan may open and close without notice. Visas to enter Jordan are available on arrival but be prepared for delays.*
- *Check the latest public information from local authorities in both Israel and Jordan to ensure border crossings are open.*
- *Airspace is closed in Iran, Israel, and Iraq and there remain intermittent airspace closures in Jordan.*
- *If you're an Australian citizen or permanent resident in Israel and the Occupied Palestinian Territories, you can now register on the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade's crisis registration portal.*
- *Keep your registration details up to date so we can contact you*
 - *we will communicate directly with registered Australians with updates.*
- *If you need emergency consular assistance, contact the Australian Government's Consular Emergency Centre on +61 2 6261 3305 (if you're overseas) and 1300 555 135 (in Australia).*

Middle East

- The security situation in the Middle East could continue to deteriorate without notice. Demonstrations and protest activity may occur
 - *there may also be airspace closures, flight and other travel disruptions.*
- Australians should be alert to personal safety risks
 - *and should subscribe to Smartraveller for updates.*
- If you need emergency consular assistance, contact the Australian Government's Consular Emergency Centre on +61 2 6261 3305 (if you're overseas) and 1300 555 135 (in Australia).

Is Australia evacuating government staff posted in the region?

- The safety of all Australians is our priority.
- Due to the deteriorating security environment, the Australian Government has offered voluntary departures for dependents of Australian officials posted in Iran, and Israel and the Occupied Palestinian Territories
 - however, due to airspace closures, departure options are limited.

Is Australia providing support to nationals on the ground?

- The safety of all Australians is our priority.
- Airspace remains closed in Iran, Israel, and Iraq, Syria and Lebanon have reopened airspace, and intermittent airspace closures in Jordan continue.
- Australians in Israel or the Occupied Palestinian Territories should follow Home Front Command guideline and monitor public safety information updates through local media and Israel's National Emergency Portal.

Are Australian Defence Force members posted in the region safe?

- The Australian Defence Force continually revises force protection measures for its personnel deployed across the Middle East region.
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Subject: Israel-Iran Conflict

Originating Division: MAD

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Version: 5

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Talking Points

Headline Statements

- Australia is deeply concerned about the deteriorating security situation in the Middle East which risks further destabilising an already volatile region.
- Australia urges all parties to de-escalate, exercise restraint, and return to dialogue and diplomacy.
- The safety of Australians is our priority
 - Australians in conflict-affected areas should shelter in place, monitor Smartraveller, and follow the advice of local media and authorities
 - our travel advice for Iran and Israel is 'Do Not Travel'.
- Australian citizens or permanent residents in Iran, Israel or the Occupied Palestinian Territories can now register on the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade's crisis registration portal
 - Australians in need of emergency consular assistance should contact the Consular Emergency Centre on +61 2 6261 3305.
- *The Australian government is working on a plan for assisted departures if it is safe to do so.*

RECENT DEVELOPMENTS

Geopolitical situation

- Australia is deeply concerned about the deteriorating security situation in the Middle East which risks further destabilising an already volatile region.
 - There were further attacks in Iran and Israel overnight, which resulted in civilian casualties and damaged infrastructure.
- Foreign Minister Wong has spoken with her Israeli and Iranian counterparts and urged all parties to de-escalate, exercise restraint, and return to dialogue and diplomacy.

Iran's nuclear program

- Iran's nuclear and ballistic missile program threatens international peace and security.

- On 12 June, the IAEA Board of Governors found Iran was in breach of its non-proliferation obligations
 - welcome the IAEA Director-General's readiness to travel to Iran to assess the situation and ensure nuclear safety and security in Iran.
- Australia continues to call on Iran to return to full compliance with its obligations
 - and to cooperate fully with the IAEA.
- We continue to support a diplomatic solution to resolve international concerns related to Iran's nuclear activities
 - constructive diplomacy and engagement is the only viable path to resolve these concerns without exposing the region to further conflict.

Extraordinary Meeting of IAEA Board of Governors (16 June)

- *On 16 June at the Extraordinary Meeting of IAEA Board of Governors meeting Australia joined partners in repeating calls on Iran to comply with its safeguards obligations*
 - *and urged all parties to de-escalate, exercise restraint and return to dialogue and diplomacy.*

Do Israel's actions violate international law?

- Australia has urged all parties to prioritise dialogue and diplomacy.
- *Not helpful to offer a running legal commentary.*

Concerns about regional spillover?

- The security situation in the region is fragile
 - we call on all parties to avoid any further actions that exacerbate tensions and threaten peace and security.

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Iran

- We continue to advise Do Not Travel to Iran.
- Australians in Iran should shelter in place and take the advice of local authorities in affected areas.
- *The Australian government is working on a plan for assisted departures if it is safe to do so.*
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Israel and Occupied Palestinian Territories

- We advise Do Not Travel to Israel and the Occupied Palestinian Territories.
- Australians in Israel or the Occupied Palestinian Territories should follow Home Front Command guideline and monitor public safety information updates through local media and Israel's National Emergency Portal.
- *The Australian government is working on a plan for assisted departures if it is safe to do so.*
- Individuals may be able to leave Israel through the three land border crossings to Jordan
 - the situation remains fluid, involves significant safety risks and can change at short notice
 - you should consider the risks carefully before attempting to leave by any route
 - border opening times can change at short notice and wait times at border crossing points could vary widely

- if you do choose to leave by land, border crossings from Israel into Jordan may open and close without notice. Visas to enter Jordan are available on arrival but be prepared for delays.
- check the latest public information from local authorities in both Israel and Jordan to ensure border crossings are open.
- Airspace is closed in Iran, Israel, and Iraq and there remain intermittent airspace closures in Jordan.
- If you're an Australian citizen or permanent resident in Israel and the Occupied Palestinian Territories, you can now register on the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade's crisis registration portal.
- Keep your registration details up to date so we can contact you
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Middle East

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- Australians should be alert to personal safety risks
 - and should subscribe to Smartraveller for updates.
- If you need emergency consular assistance, contact the Australian Government's Consular Emergency Centre on +61 2 6261 3305 (if you're overseas) and 1300 555 135 (in Australia).

Is Australia evacuating government staff posted in the region?

- The safety of all Australians is our priority.
- Due to the deteriorating security environment, the Australian Government has offered voluntary departures for dependents of Australian officials posted in Iran, and Israel and the Occupied Palestinian Territories
 - *some dependents of staff have departed Israel for Jordan*
 - *broader departure options remain limited.*

Is Australia providing support to nationals on the ground?

- The safety of all Australians is our priority.
- Airspace remains closed in Iran, Israel, and Iraq. Syria and Lebanon has reopened airspace. intermittent airspace closures in Jordan continue.
- Australians in Israel or the Occupied Palestinian Territories should follow Home Front Command guideline and monitor public safety information updates through local media and Israel's National Emergency Portal.

Are Australian Defence Force members posted in the region safe?

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MEDIA TALKING POINTS DISTRIBUTION: CRISIS

Topic: CRISIS MANAGEMENT
Subject: Israel-Iran Conflict

Originating Division: MAD

Version Date: 18/6/2025
Version: 6

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Talking Points

Headline Statements

- Australia is deeply concerned about the deteriorating security situation in the Middle East which risks further destabilising an already volatile region.
- Australia urges all parties to de-escalate, exercise restraint, and return to dialogue and diplomacy.
- The safety of Australians is our priority
 - Australians in conflict-affected areas should shelter in place, monitor Smartraveller, and follow the advice of local media and authorities
 - our travel advice for Iran and Israel is 'Do Not Travel'.
- Australian citizens or permanent residents in Iran, Israel or the Occupied Palestinian Territories can now register on the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade's crisis registration portal
 - Australians in need of emergency consular assistance should contact the Consular Emergency Centre on +61 2 6261 3305.
- The Australian Government is working on a plan for assisted departures if it is safe to do so.

RECENT DEVELOPMENTS

Geopolitical situation

- Australia is deeply concerned about the deteriorating security situation in the Middle East which risks further destabilising an already volatile region.
 - There were further attacks in Iran and Israel overnight, which resulted in civilian casualties and damaged infrastructure.
- Foreign Minister Wong has spoken with her Israeli and Iranian counterparts and urged all parties to de-escalate, exercise restraint, and return to dialogue and diplomacy.

Iran's nuclear program

- Iran's nuclear and ballistic missile program threatens international peace and security.

- On 12 June, the IAEA Board of Governors found Iran was in breach of its non-proliferation obligations
 - welcome the IAEA Director-General's readiness to travel to Iran to assess the situation and ensure nuclear safety and security in Iran.
- Australia continues to call on Iran to return to full compliance with its obligations
 - and to cooperate fully with the IAEA.
- We continue to support a diplomatic solution to resolve international concerns related to Iran's nuclear activities
 - constructive diplomacy and engagement is the only viable path to resolve these concerns without exposing the region to further conflict.

Extraordinary Meeting of IAEA Board of Governors (16 June)

- On 16 June at the Extraordinary Meeting of IAEA Board of Governors meeting Australia joined partners in *again calling* on Iran to comply with its safeguards obligations
 - and urged all parties to de-escalate, exercise restraint and return to dialogue and diplomacy.

Calls for Iran's unconditional surrender

- *Australia welcomes the G7 leaders statement, including the protection of civilians, that Iran cannot have a nuclear weapon, and the need for de-escalation*
 - *encourage Israel and Iran to consider all avenues for peace.*

Do Israel's actions violate international law?

- Australia has urged all parties to prioritise dialogue and diplomacy.
- Not helpful to offer a running legal commentary.

Concerns about regional spillover?

- The security situation in the region is fragile
 - we call on all parties to avoid any further actions that exacerbate tensions and threaten peace and security.

CONSULAR

Iran

- We continue to advise Do Not Travel to Iran.
- Australians in Iran should shelter in place and take the advice of local authorities in affected areas.
- The Australian Government is working on a plan for assisted departures if it is safe to do so.
- If you're an Australian citizen or permanent resident in Iran, you can now register on the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade's crisis registration portal
 - keep your registration details up to date so we can contact you
 - we will communicate directly with registered Australians with important updates.
- If you need emergency consular assistance, contact the Australian Government's Consular Emergency Centre on +61 2 6261 3305 (if you're overseas) and 1300 555 135 (in Australia).

Israel and Occupied Palestinian Territories

- We advise Do Not Travel to Israel and the Occupied Palestinian Territories.
- Australians in Israel or the Occupied Palestinian Territories should follow Home Front Command guideline and monitor public safety information updates through local media and Israel's National Emergency Portal.

- The Australian government is working on a plan for assisted departures if it is safe to do so.
- Individuals may be able to leave Israel through the three land border crossings to Jordan
 - the situation remains fluid, involves significant safety risks and can change at short notice
 - you should consider the risks carefully before attempting to leave by any route
 - border opening times can change at short notice and wait times at border crossing points could vary widely
 - if you do choose to leave by land, border crossings from Israel into Jordan may open and close without notice. Visas to enter Jordan are available on arrival but be prepared for delays.
 - check the latest public information from local authorities in both Israel and Jordan to ensure border crossings are open.
- Airspace is closed in Iran, Israel, and Iraq and *Jordan continues to intermittently close its airspace*.
- If you're an Australian citizen or permanent resident in Israel and the Occupied Palestinian Territories, you can now register on the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade's crisis registration portal.
- Keep your registration details up to date so we can contact you
 - we will communicate directly with registered Australians with updates.
- If you need emergency consular assistance, contact the Australian Government's Consular Emergency Centre on +61 2 6261 3305 (if you're overseas) and 1300 555 135 (in Australia).

Middle East

- The security situation in the Middle East could continue to deteriorate without notice. Demonstrations and protest activity may occur
 - there may also be airspace closures, flight and other travel disruptions.
- Australians should be alert to personal safety risks
 - and should subscribe to Smartraveller for updates.
- If you need emergency consular assistance, contact the Australian Government's Consular Emergency Centre on +61 2 6261 3305 (if you're overseas) and 1300 555 135 (in Australia).

Is Australia evacuating government staff posted in the region?

- The safety of all Australians is our priority.
- Due to the deteriorating security environment, the Australian Government has offered voluntary departures for dependents of Australian officials posted in Iran, and Israel and the Occupied Palestinian Territories
 - some dependants of staff have departed Israel for Jordan
 - broader departure options remain limited.

Is Australia providing support to nationals on the ground?

- The safety of all Australians is our priority.
- Airspace remains closed in Iran, Israel, and Iraq. Syria and Lebanon has reopened airspace. intermittent airspace closures in Jordan continue.
- Australians in Israel or the Occupied Palestinian Territories should follow Home Front Command guideline and monitor public safety information updates through local media and Israel's National Emergency Portal.

Are Australian Defence Force members posted in the region safe?

- The Australian Defence Force continually revises force protection measures for its personnel deployed across the Middle East region.
- For operational security reasons, Defence does not comment on the nature of force protection measures.

Any use or disclosure of personal information about individuals and the incidents contained in this background should not be made public. To do so may constitute a breach of the Privacy Act 1988 (Cth).

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From: DFAT Talking Points
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MEDIA TALKING POINTS DISTRIBUTION: CRISIS

Topic: CRISIS MANAGEMENT
Subject: Israel-Iran Conflict

Originating Division: MAD

Version Date: 19/6/2025
Version: 7

Reason for Update: New talking points
Expiry: 15/09/2025

Talking Points

Headline Statements

- Australia is deeply concerned about the deteriorating security situation in the Middle East which risks further destabilising an already volatile region.
- *Australia urges all parties to prioritise dialogue and diplomacy*
 - *de-escalation is in the interests of the region.*
- The safety of Australians is our priority
 - Australians in conflict-affected areas should shelter in place, monitor Smartraveller, and follow the advice of local media and authorities
 - our travel advice for Iran and Israel is 'Do Not Travel'.
- Australian citizens or permanent residents in Iran, Israel or the Occupied Palestinian Territories can now register on the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade's crisis registration portal
 - Australians in need of emergency consular assistance should contact the Consular Emergency Centre on +61 2 6261 3305.
- *On 18 June the Australian Government facilitated the movement of 9 people from Tel Aviv to Amman via bus. Another bus is scheduled for 19 June, and we continue to plan for additional assisted departure options.*
- *DFAT is in contact with Australians who have registered on the crisis portal and expressed interest in departing Israel.*

RECENT DEVELOPMENTS

Geopolitical situation

- Australia is deeply concerned about the deteriorating security situation in the Middle East, which risks further destabilising an already volatile region.
- Foreign Minister Wong has spoken with her Israeli and Iranian counterparts and urged all parties to de-escalate, exercise restraint, and return to dialogue and diplomacy.

Iran's nuclear program

- Iran's nuclear and ballistic missile program threatens international peace and security.
- On 12 June, the IAEA Board of Governors found Iran was in breach of its non-proliferation obligations.
- Australia continues to call on Iran to return to full compliance with its obligations
 - and to cooperate fully with the IAEA.
- We continue to support a diplomatic solution to resolve international concerns related to Iran's nuclear activities
 - constructive diplomacy and engagement is the only viable path to resolve these concerns without exposing the region to further conflict.

Australian Government Assisted Departure (As at 0600 19 June)

- *On 18 June the Australian Government facilitated the movement of 9 people from Tel Aviv to Amman via bus*
 - *another bus is scheduled for 19 June*
 - *we are continuing to plan for additional options for assisted departure.*
- *The security situation is fluid and rapidly changing*
 - *there was an opportunity to safely move a group of Australians, and we took it*
 - *this is a continuation of our efforts, not the end*
 - *we'll keep moving quickly, when it's safe to do so, to help Australians to safety.*

Does Australia support President Trump's call for Iran's unconditional surrender?

- Australia welcomes the G7 leaders' statement including *calls for* the protection of civilians, the need for de-escalation and that Iran cannot have a nuclear weapon.
- Encourage Israel and Iran to consider all avenues for peace.

Do Israel's actions violate international law?

- Australia has urged all parties to prioritise dialogue and diplomacy.
- Not helpful to offer a running legal commentary.

Concerns about regional spillover?

- The security situation in the region is fragile
 - we call on all parties to avoid any further actions that exacerbate tensions and threaten peace and security.

CONSULAR

Is Australia providing support to nationals on the ground?

- The safety of all Australians is our priority.
- Airspace remains closed in Iran, Israel, and Iraq. Syria and Lebanon have reopened airspace, and intermittent airspace closures in Jordan continue.
- Australians in Israel or the Occupied Palestinian Territories should follow Home Front Command guideline and monitor public safety information updates through local media and Israel's National Emergency Portal.

Iran

- We continue to advise Do Not Travel to Iran.
- Australians in Iran should shelter in place and take the advice of local authorities in affected areas.
- The Australian Government is working on a plan for assisted departures if it is safe to do so.
- If you're an Australian citizen or permanent resident in Iran, you can now register on the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade's crisis registration portal
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Israel and Occupied Palestinian Territories

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- The Australian Government continues to work on plans for assisted departures as it is safe to do so.
- Individuals may be able to leave Israel through the three land border crossings to Jordan
 - the situation remains fluid, involves significant safety risks and can change at short notice
 - you should consider the risks carefully before attempting to leave by any route
 - border opening times can change at short notice and wait times at border crossing points could vary widely
 - if you do choose to leave by land, border crossings from Israel into Jordan may open and close without notice. Visas to enter Jordan are available on arrival but be prepared for delays.
 - check the latest public information from local authorities in both Israel and Jordan to ensure border crossings are open.
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Is Australia evacuating government staff posted in the region?

- The safety of all Australians is our priority.
- Due to the deteriorating security environment, the Australian Government has offered voluntary departures for dependants of Australian officials posted in Iran, and Israel and the Occupied Palestinian Territories
 - *all* dependants of staff have departed Israel for Jordan
 - *some dependants of staff have departed Iran for Azerbaijan*
 - broader departure options remain limited.

Are Australian Defence Force members posted in the region safe?

- The Australian Defence Force continually revises force protection measures for its personnel deployed across the Middle East region.
- For operational security reasons, Defence does not comment on the nature of force protection measures.

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MEDIA TALKING POINTS DISTRIBUTION: CRISIS

Topic: CRISIS MANAGEMENT
Subject: Israel-Iran Conflict

Originating Division: MAD

Version Date: 20/6/2025
Version: 8

Reason for Update: New talking points
Expiry: 15/09/2025

Talking Points

Headline Statements

- Australia is deeply concerned about the deteriorating security situation in the Middle East which risks further destabilising an already volatile region.
- Australia urges all parties to prioritise dialogue and diplomacy
 - de-escalation is in the interests of the region.
- The safety of Australians is our priority
 - Australians in conflict-affected areas should shelter in place, monitor Smartraveller, and follow the advice of local media and authorities
 - our travel advice for Iran and Israel is 'Do Not Travel'.
- Australian citizens or permanent residents in Iran, Israel or the Occupied Palestinian Territories can now register on the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade's crisis registration portal
 - Australians in need of emergency consular assistance should contact the Consular Emergency Centre on +61 2 6261 3305.
- *The Australian Government has facilitated two bus movements from Tel Aviv to Amman to support the assist departure of*
 - *eight Australians from Tel Aviv to Amman via a bus on 18 June 2025, and*
 - *39 people from Tel Aviv to Amman via a bus on 19 June 2025*
 - *the majority of whom had booked onward flights*
- *We continue to plan for additional assisted departures.*
- DFAT is in contact with Australians who have registered on the crisis portal and expressed interest in departing Israel.

RECENT DEVELOPMENTS

Geopolitical situation

- Australia is deeply concerned about the deteriorating security situation in the Middle East, which risks further destabilising an already volatile region.

- Foreign Minister Wong has spoken with her Israeli and Iranian counterparts and urged all parties to de-escalate, exercise restraint, and return to dialogue and diplomacy.

Iran's nuclear program

- Iran's nuclear and ballistic missile program threatens international peace and security
 - *We urge Iran to discontinue any nuclear program and return to talks.*
- On 12 June, the IAEA Board of Governors found Iran was in breach of its non-proliferation obligations.
- Australia continues to call on Iran to return to full compliance with its obligations
 - and to cooperate fully with the IAEA.

Australian Government Assisted Departure (As at 0600 20 June)

- *The Australian Government has facilitated two bus movements from Tel Aviv to Amman to support the assist departure of*
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 - *39 people from Tel Aviv to Amman via a bus on 19 June 2025*
 - *the majority of whom had booked onward flights*
- *We continue to plan for additional assisted departures.*

Why are numbers on the buses so low?

- The security situation is fluid and rapidly changing
 - there was an opportunity to safely move a group of Australians, and we took it
 - this is a continuation of our efforts, not the end
 - we'll keep moving quickly, when it's safe to do so, to help Australians to safety.

Does Australia support President Trump's call for Iran's unconditional surrender?

- Australia welcomes the G7 leaders' statement including *calls for* the protection of civilians, the need for de-escalation and that Iran cannot have a nuclear weapon.
- Encourage Israel and Iran to consider all avenues for peace.

Do Israel's actions violate international law?

- Australia has urged all parties to prioritise dialogue and diplomacy.
- Not helpful to offer a running legal commentary.

Concerns about regional spillover?

- The security situation in the region is fragile
 - we call on all parties to avoid any further actions that exacerbate tensions and threaten peace and security.

CONSULAR

Is Australia providing support to nationals on the ground?

- Yes, the safety of all Australians is our priority.
- The Airspace remains closed in Iran, Israel, and Iraq. Syria and Lebanon have reopened airspace, and intermittent airspace closures in Jordan continue.

- *If you're an Australian citizen or permanent resident in Iran, Israel or the Occupied Palestinian Territories, you can register on the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade's crisis registration portal*
 - *we will communicate directly with registered Australians with important updates.*

Iran

- We continue to advise Do Not Travel to Iran.
- Australians in Iran should shelter in place and take the advice of local authorities in affected.
- *The Australian Government has directed the departure of Australian officials from the Australian Embassy in Tehran due to the volatile security situation*
 - *Our Embassy and operations in Tehran are now closed*
 - *We urge Australians who want to leave Iran to do so now, if it is safe, otherwise shelter in place.*
- DFAT travel advice currently states:
 - *If you intend to travel by land into a neighbouring country, check the latest public information from local authorities in Iran and your destination on visa and border arrangements. Borders may close without notice.*
 - *You should consider the risks carefully before attempting to leave by any route and you should make your own assessment whether it's safe for you to travel in current circumstances. This includes considering the security situation and the potential risks involved.*
 - *If you are not confident in the safety and reliability of any departure option, shelter in place and follow the advice of local authorities. Transport routes may be disrupted. Roads may be crowded and exposed to security risks such a military action, rocket attacks and terrorism, as may border crossings.*
Iran's borders with neighbouring countries may have restrictions for foreign nationals and may close at short notice. Check the travel advice for your destination including visa requirements.
- If you're an Australian citizen or permanent resident in Iran, you can now register on the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade's crisis registration portal
 - keep your registration details up to date so we can contact you
 - we will communicate directly with registered Australians with important updates.
- If you need emergency consular assistance, contact the Australian Government's Consular Emergency Centre on +61 2 62613305 (if you're overseas) and 1300 555 135 (in Australia).

Israel and Occupied Palestinian Territories

- We advise Do Not Travel to Israel and the Occupied Palestinian Territories.
- Australians in Israel or the Occupied Palestinian Territories should follow Home Front Command guideline and monitor public safety information updates through local media and Israel's National Emergency Portal.
- The Australian Government continues to work on plans for assisted departures as it is safe to do so.
- Individuals may be able to leave Israel through the three land border crossings to Jordan
 - *you'll need a visa to visit Jordan*
 - *the situation remains fluid, involves significant safety risks and can change at short notice*
 - *you should consider the risks carefully before attempting to leave by any route*
 - *border opening times can change at short notice and wait times at border crossing points could vary widely*
 - *if you do choose to leave by land, border crossings from Israel into Jordan may open and close without notice. Visas to enter Jordan are available on arrival but be prepared for delays.*
 - *check the latest public information from local authorities in both Israel and Jordan to ensure border crossings are open.*

- If you're an Australian citizen or permanent resident in Israel and the Occupied Palestinian Territories, you can now register on the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade's crisis registration portal.
- Keep your registration details up to date so we can contact you
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Is Australia evacuating government staff posted in Tehran?

- The safety of all Australians is our priority.
- *The Australian Government has directed the departure of Australian officials from the Australian Embassy in Tehran due to the volatile security situation*
 - *Our Embassy and operations in Tehran are now closed*

Where will the Australian Ambassador to Iran be based?

- *The Ambassador is continuing his work to support Australians and Australian interests.*
- *As you'd appreciate, the security situation is rapidly evolving.*
- *DFAT is working to locate the Ambassador at an existing nearby Post.*

Why has this decision been taken?

- *This decision based on advice about the deteriorating security environment in Iran.*
- *The government has a responsibility to ensure the safety of its staff.*
- *Iran remains a Do Not Travel location*
 - *the Government continues to have limited ability to assist with departures*
 - *our advice remains to monitor local developments, leave if it is safe to do so, or if not, shelter in place*
- *DFAT will continue to support Australians in Iran with updates to travel advice, and maintain direct contact with Australian citizens who have registered for information*
 - *if you need emergency consular assistance, contact the Australian Government's Consular Emergency Centre on +61 2 6261 3305 (if you're overseas) and 1300 555 135 (in Australia).*

Locally Engaged Staff?

- *We are concerned for the welfare of locally engaged staff and remain in close communication.*
- *As was the case when the previous government temporarily closed our embassy in Kyiv, our local staff continue to be employed, supported and remunerated by the Australian Government.*

Are Australian Defence Force members posted in the region safe?

- The Australian Defence Force continually revises force protection measures for its personnel deployed across the Middle East region.
- For operational security reasons, Defence does not comment on the nature of force protection measures.

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MEDIA TALKING POINTS DISTRIBUTION: CRISIS

Topic: CRISIS MANAGEMENT
Subject: Israel-Iran Conflict

Originating Division: MAD

Version Date: 21/6/2025
Version: 9

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Expiry: 15/09/2025

Talking Points

Headline Statements

- Australia is deeply concerned about the deteriorating security situation in the Middle East which risks further destabilising an already volatile region.
- Australia urges all parties to prioritise *de-escalation*, dialogue and diplomacy.
- The safety of Australians is our priority
 - Australians in conflict-affected areas should shelter in place, monitor Smartraveller, and follow the advice of local media and authorities
 - our travel advice for Iran and Israel is 'Do Not Travel'.
- Australian citizens or permanent residents in Iran, Israel or the Occupied Palestinian Territories can register on the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade's Crisis Registration Portal
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 - Australians in need of emergency consular assistance should contact the Consular Emergency Centre on +61 2 6261 3305.
- The Australian Government has facilitated two bus movements from Tel Aviv to Amman to assist the departure of
 - 8 Australians on 18 June 2025, and
 - 39 Australians and family members on 19 June 2025
 - the majority of whom had booked onward flights.
- We continue to plan for additional assisted departures *from Sunday, subject to conditions on the ground.*
- *The Australian Government has directed the departure of all Australian officials and dependants and suspended operations at our Embassy in Tehran.*

RECENT DEVELOPMENTS

Geopolitical situation

- Australia is deeply concerned about the deteriorating security situation in the Middle East, which risks further destabilising an already volatile region.
- Foreign Minister Wong has spoken with her Israeli and Iranian counterparts and urged all parties to de-escalate, exercise restraint, and return to dialogue and diplomacy.

Iran's nuclear program

- Iran's nuclear and ballistic missile program threatens international peace and security
 - we urge Iran to stop any nuclear weapons program and return to talks.
- On 12 June, the IAEA Board of Governors found Iran was in breach of its non-proliferation obligations.
- Australia continues to call on Iran to return to full compliance with its obligations
 - and to cooperate fully with the IAEA.

Australian Government Assisted Departure (as at 0600 [AEST] 21 June)

- The Australian Government has facilitated two bus movements from Tel Aviv to Amman to support the assisted departure of
 - 8 Australians on 18 June 2025; and
 - 39 Australians and their family on 19 June 2025
 - the majority of whom had booked onward flights.
- We continue to plan for additional assisted departures *from Sunday, pending conditions on the ground*.

Why are numbers on the buses so low?

- The security situation is fluid and rapidly changing
 - there were opportunities to safely move groups of Australians, which we took
 - we'll keep moving quickly, when it's safe to do so, to help Australians to safety.

Does Australia support President Trump's call for Iran's unconditional surrender?

- Australia welcomes the G7 leaders' statement including calls for the protection of civilians, the need for de-escalation and that Iran cannot have a nuclear weapon.
- Encourage Israel and Iran to consider all avenues for peace.

Do Israel's actions violate international law?

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Concerns about regional spillover?

- The security situation in the region is fragile
 - we call on all parties to avoid any further actions that exacerbate tensions and threaten peace and security.

CONSULAR

Is Australia providing support to nationals on the ground?

- Yes, the safety of all Australians is our priority.
- The airspace remains closed in Iran, Israel, *Lebanon* and Iraq. Syria has reopened airspace.

- If you're an Australian citizen or permanent resident in Iran, Israel or the Occupied Palestinian Territories, you can register on the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade's crisis registration portal
 - we communicate directly with registered Australians to provide important updates.

Israel and Occupied Palestinian Territories

- We advise Do Not Travel to Israel and the Occupied Palestinian Territories.
- Australians in Israel or the Occupied Palestinian Territories should follow Home Front Command guideline and monitor public safety information updates through local media and Israel's National Emergency Portal.
- The Australian Government continues to work on plans for assisted departures as it is safe to do so.
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Iran

- We continue to advise Do Not Travel to Iran.
- We urge Australians who want to leave Iran to do so now, if it is safe. *Those who are unable to, or do not wish to leave, are advised to shelter in place*
- The Australian Government has directed the departure of all Australian officials *and dependants* from the Australian Embassy in Tehran due to the volatile security situation.
 - our Embassy operations in Tehran *have been suspended*
 - *Australia's Ambassador to Iran will remain in the region to support the Australian Government's response to the crisis*
 - *DFAT is deploying consular staff to border crossings in Azerbaijan, Armenia and Turkmenistan to support Australians departing Iran.*
- DFAT travel advice currently states:
 - if you intend to travel by land into a neighbouring country, check the latest public information from local authorities in Iran and your destination on visa and border arrangements. Borders may close without notice.
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Is Australia evacuating government staff posted in Tehran?

- The safety of all Australians is our priority.
- The Australian Government has directed the departure of all Australian officials and dependants from the Australian Embassy in Tehran due to the *deteriorating security environment in Iran*
 - our Embassy operations in Tehran *have been temporarily suspended*.

Where will the Australian Ambassador to Iran be based?

- *Australia's Ambassador to Iran will remain in the region to support the Australian Government's response to the crisis.*
- DFAT is working to locate the Ambassador at an existing nearby Post.

Why has this decision been taken?

- This decision was based on advice about the deteriorating security environment in Iran.
- The government has a responsibility to ensure the safety of its staff.
- Iran remains a Do Not Travel location
 - the Government continues to have limited ability to assist with departures
 - our advice remains to monitor local developments, leave if it is safe to do so, or if not, shelter in place
- DFAT will continue to support Australians in Iran with updates to travel advice, and maintain direct contact with Australian citizens who have registered for information
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Subject: Israel-Iran Conflict

Originating Division: MAD

Version Date: 22/6/2025
Version: 10

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Talking Points

Headline Statements

- *The safety of Australians is our priority.*
 - *We understand this is a distressing time.*
- *We continue to support Australians leaving Israel by land border crossing to Jordan.*
 - *Two more buses will depart later today [Sunday], subject to conditions on the ground.*
- *We are aware of reports that airspace in Israel may soon reopen.*
 - *We've been planning for this.*
 - *And will contact registered Australians around our plans for assisted departure.*
 - *It's important to understand conditions on the ground can change with little notice.*
- *The security and operational situation in Iran is more complex.*
 - *Which means our ability to assist Australians to depart Iran is limited.*
- *We urge Australians who want to leave Iran to do so now, if it is safe.*
 - *Those who are unable to or do not wish to leave, are advised to shelter in place.*
 - *If you can get to Azerbaijan, DFAT has consular staff at the border ready to support you.*
- *We continue to communicate directly with Australians who have registered with DFAT about specific travel information and important updates.*
- Australian citizens or permanent residents in Iran, Israel or the Occupied Palestinian Territories can register on the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade's Crisis Registration Portal
 - Australians in need of emergency consular assistance should contact the Consular Emergency Centre on +61 2 6261 3305.
- *All of the latest information updates are being posted on the Smartraveller website.*
- Australia is deeply concerned about the deteriorating security situation in the Middle East which risks further destabilising an already volatile region.

- Australia urges all parties to prioritise de-escalation, dialogue and diplomacy.

RECENT DEVELOPMENTS

Geopolitical situation

- Australia is deeply concerned about the deteriorating security situation in the Middle East, which risks further destabilising an already volatile region.
- Foreign Minister Wong has spoken with her Israeli and Iranian counterparts and urged all parties to de-escalate, exercise restraint, and return to dialogue and diplomacy.

Iran's nuclear program

- Iran's nuclear and ballistic missile program threatens international peace and security
 - we urge Iran to stop any nuclear weapons program and return to talks.
- On 12 June, the IAEA Board of Governors found Iran was in breach of its non-proliferation obligations.
- Australia continues to call on Iran to return to full compliance with its obligations
 - and to cooperate fully with the IAEA.

Australian Government Assisted Departure (as at 0600 [AEST] 22 June)

- The Australian Government has facilitated two bus movements from Tel Aviv to Amman to support the assisted departure of
 - 8 Australians on 18 June 2025; and
 - 39 Australians and their family on 19 June 2025
 - the majority of whom had booked onward flights.
- *We continue to support Australians leaving by land border crossing to Jordan with two additional assisted departures on Sunday, subject to conditions on the ground.*
- *We are aware of reports that airspace in Israel may soon reopen.*
 - *If that happens, we are preparing to assist Australians to depart Israel by air.*

Why are numbers on the buses so low?

- The security situation is fluid and rapidly changing
 - there were opportunities to safely move groups of Australians, which we took
 - we'll keep moving quickly, when it's safe to do so, to help Australians to safety.

Does Australia support President Trump's call for Iran's unconditional surrender?

- Australia welcomes the G7 leaders' statement including calls for the protection of civilians, the need for de-escalation and that Iran cannot have a nuclear weapon.
- Encourage Israel and Iran to consider all avenues for peace.

Do Israel's actions violate international law?

- Australia has urged all parties to prioritise dialogue and diplomacy.
- Not helpful to offer a running legal commentary.

Concerns about regional spillover?

- The security situation in the region is fragile
 - we call on all parties to avoid any further actions that exacerbate tensions and threaten peace and security.

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Is Australia providing support to nationals on the ground?

- Yes, the safety of all Australians is our priority.
- The airspace remains closed in Iran, Israel and Iraq. *Airspace in Jordan and Lebanon is partially open.*
 - *Amman's Queen Alia International Airport and Beirut's Rafic Hariri International Airport are both open with limited flights arriving and departing*
 - *31 per cent of departure flights from Queen Alia International airport are cancelled.*
- *We are aware of reports that airspace in Israel may soon reopen.*
 - *If that happens, we are preparing to assist Australians to depart Israel by air.*
- If you're an Australian citizen or permanent resident in Iran, Israel or the Occupied Palestinian Territories, you can register on the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade's crisis registration portal
 - we communicate directly with registered Australians to provide important updates.

Israel and Occupied Palestinian Territories

- We advise Do Not Travel to Israel and the Occupied Palestinian Territories.
- Australians in Israel or the Occupied Palestinian Territories should follow Home Front Command guideline and monitor public safety information updates through local media and Israel's National Emergency Portal.
- The Australian Government continues to work on plans for assisted departures as it is safe to do so.
- Individuals may be able to leave Israel through the three land border crossings to Jordan
 - you'll need a visa to visit Jordan
 - the situation remains fluid, involves significant safety risks and can change at short notice
 - you should consider the risks carefully before attempting to leave by any route
 - border opening times can change at short notice and wait times at border crossing points could vary widely
 - if you do choose to leave by land, border crossings from Israel into Jordan may open and close without notice. Visas to enter Jordan are available on arrival but be prepared for delays.
 - check the latest public information from local authorities in both Israel and Jordan to ensure border crossings are open.

- If you're an Australian citizen or permanent resident in Israel and the Occupied Palestinian Territories, you can register on the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade's crisis registration portal.
- Keep your registration details up to date so we can contact you
 - we communicate directly with registered Australians to provide important updates.
- If you need emergency consular assistance, contact the Australian Government's Consular Emergency Centre on +61 2 6261 3305 (if you're overseas) and 1300 555 135 (in Australia).

Iran

- We continue to advise Do Not Travel to Iran.
- We urge Australians who want to leave Iran to do so now, if it is safe. Those who are unable to, or do not wish to leave, are advised to shelter in place
- The Australian Government has directed the departure of all Australian officials and dependants from the Australian Embassy in Tehran due to the volatile security situation.
 - our Embassy operations in Tehran have been *temporarily* suspended
 - Australia's Ambassador to Iran will remain in the region to support the Australian Government's response to the crisis
 - *DFAT has consular staff in Azerbaijan, including at its border crossing, to support Australians leaving Iran.*
- DFAT travel advice currently states:
 - if you intend to travel by land into a neighbouring country, check the latest public information from local authorities in Iran and your destination on visa and border arrangements. Borders may close without notice.
 - you should consider the risks carefully before attempting to leave by any route and you should make your own assessment whether it's safe for you to travel in current circumstances. This includes considering the security situation and the potential risks involved.
 - if you are not confident in the safety and reliability of any departure option, shelter in place and follow the advice of local authorities. Transport routes may be disrupted. Roads may be crowded and exposed to security risks such a military action, rocket attacks and terrorism, as may border crossings.
 - Iran's borders with neighbouring countries may have restrictions for foreign nationals and may close at short notice. Check the travel advice for your destination including visa requirements.
- If you're an Australian citizen or permanent resident in Iran, you can register on the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade's crisis registration portal
 - keep your registration details up to date so we can contact you
 - we will communicate directly with registered Australians to provide important updates.
- If you need emergency consular assistance, contact the Australian Government's Consular Emergency Centre on +61 2 62613305 (if you're overseas) and 1300 555 135 (in Australia).

Why did the **government** evacuate its **staff posted in Tehran**?

- The safety of all Australians is our priority.
- The Australian Government has directed the departure of all Australian officials and dependants from the Australian Embassy in Tehran due to the deteriorating security environment in Iran
 - our Embassy operations in Tehran have been temporarily suspended.

Where will the Australian Ambassador to Iran be based?

- Australia's Ambassador to Iran will remain in the region to support the Australian Government's response to the crisis.
- *The Ambassador has relocated to an existing nearby Post.*

Why has this decision been taken?

- This decision was based on advice about the deteriorating security environment in Iran.
- The government has a responsibility to ensure the safety of its staff.
- Iran remains a Do Not Travel location
 - the Government continues to have limited ability to assist with departures.
 - our advice remains to monitor local developments, leave if it is safe to do so, or if not, shelter in place .
- DFAT will continue to support Australians in Iran with updates to travel advice, and maintain direct contact with Australian citizens who have registered for information
 - if you need emergency consular assistance, contact the Australian Government's Consular Emergency Centre on +61 2 6261 3305 (if you're overseas) and 1300 555 135 (in Australia).

What about Locally Engaged Staff?

- We are concerned for the welfare of Locally Engaged Staff and remain in close communication.
- As was the case when the previous government temporarily closed our embassy in Kyiv, our local staff continue to be employed, supported and remunerated by the Australian Government.

Are Australian Defence Force members posted in the region safe?

- The Australian Defence Force continually revises force protection measures for its personnel deployed across the Middle East region.
- For operational security reasons, Defence does not comment on the nature of force protection measures.

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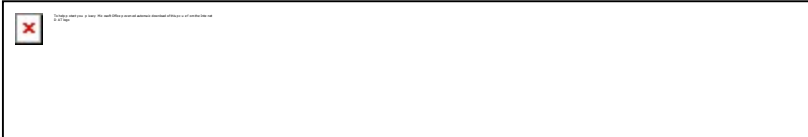
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Subject: Israel-Iran Conflict

Originating Division: MAD

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Talking Points

Reactions to US strikes on Iran's nuclear sites

- *We have been clear that Iran's nuclear program is a threat to global peace and security, and the security of the region.*
- *We note the US President's statement that now is the time for peace.*
- *The security situation in the region is highly volatile.*
- *We continue to call for de-escalation, dialogue and diplomacy.*

Risk of regional escalation and safety of Australians

- *Australia is deeply concerned about the deteriorating security situation in the Middle East which risks further destabilising an already volatile region.*
- *The safety of Australians is our priority.*
- *Australians in conflict-affected areas should monitor Smartraveller and follow the advice of local media and authorities.*
- *Australians in need of emergency consular assistance should contact the Consular Emergency Centre on +61 2 6261 3305.*

What does this mean for Australians wanting to depart the region?

- *The situation on the ground is rapidly changing.*
- *As we have said, assisted departures are subject to conditions on the ground.*
- *The current security situation means land departures from Israel are paused.*
 - *We are in direct contact with Australians seeking to depart and will provide support to those who had expressed interest in doing so today.*
 - *Airspace remains closed.*
- *We urge Australians who want to leave Iran to do so now, if it is safe.*
 - *Those who are unable to or do not wish to leave, are advised to shelter in place.*
 - *If you can get to Azerbaijan, DFAT has consular staff at the border ready to support you.*

- *We continue to plan for assisted departures, when it is safe to do so.*

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Handling Notes

Media Interest

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Subject: Israel-Iran Conflict

Originating Division: MAD

Version Date: 23/6/2025
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Reason for Update: Updated talking points
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Talking Points

Reactions to US strikes on Iran's nuclear sites

- We have been clear that Iran's nuclear program is a threat to global peace and security, and the security of the region.
- We note the US President's statement that now is the time for peace.
- The security situation in the region is highly volatile.
- We continue to call for de-escalation, dialogue and diplomacy.

Risk of regional escalation and safety of Australians

- Australia is deeply concerned about the deteriorating security situation in the Middle East which risks further destabilising an already volatile region.
- The safety of Australians is our priority.
- Australians in conflict-affected areas should monitor Smartraveller and follow the advice of local media and authorities.
- *We continue to communicate directly with Australians who have registered with DFAT about specific travel information and important updates.*
- Australians in need of emergency consular assistance should contact the Consular Emergency Centre on +61 2 6261 3305.

What does this mean for Australians wanting to depart the region?

- The situation on the ground is rapidly changing.
- As we have said, assisted departures are subject to conditions on the ground.
- *On 22 June, Israel provided clearance for an ADF aircraft to land in Tel Aviv on 23 June to evacuate Australians.*
 - *We have contacted registered Australians to seek their interest in an assisted departure flight to Dubai as early as the morning of 23 June.*
 - *The volatility of the situation means the flight could change or be cancelled at short notice.*
 - *We are planning further flights depending both on demand and the latest security situation.*
- *Due to the deteriorating security situation, we did not proceed with overland assisted departures scheduled for Sunday 22 June.*
 - *We intend to resume overland assisted departures to Jordan with a charter flight to Dubai as soon as it is safe to do so.*
- We urge Australians who want to leave Iran to do so now, if it is safe.
 - Those who are unable to or do not wish to leave, are advised to shelter in place.
 - If you can get to Azerbaijan, DFAT has consular staff at the border ready to support you.

If raised:

Has the US declared war against Iran?

- *President Trump has called for peace and for Iran to return to negotiations.*
- *Vice President Vance said the US is not at war with Iran, it is at war with Iran's nuclear program.*
- *I understand the last time the US Congress formally declared war was in World War II.*

Were the US strikes a breach of international or US law?

- *I'm not going to comment on US domestic matters.*
- *We have been clear that Iran's nuclear program is a threat to global peace and security, and the security of the region.*

Would Australia join the US if the situation escalated into a broader regional conflict?

- *We continue to call for de-escalation, dialogue and diplomacy.*
- *I agree with President Trump's statement that now is the time for peace.*

How can Australia continue to partner with the US?

- *Australia and the United States have a longstanding alliance, bound by a history of bipartisan cooperation.*
- *Our partnership has delivered mutual benefit for over 70 years and will continue to do so.*

Was Australia aware of the US' plans to strike the nuclear sites?

- *Questions about US operational plans should be directed to the US Government.*

If pressed:

- *President Trump made no secret of US contingency planning.*
- *We would not expect to be consulted as Australia did not contribute to the US' actions.*

Will Australia contribute to a US military intervention?

- *We will not engage in hypotheticals.*

Have the US strikes on the nuclear sites created a nuclear contamination risk?

- *Australian Government agencies are closely monitoring the situation. Early indications are that off-site radiological consequences from these strikes would not be significant.*
- *The IAEA will play a critical role in assessing radiological and nuclear contamination risks and implications.*

If pressed:

- *Radiological risk within the region is assessed to be low.*

Do the US strikes on Iran's nuclear sites breach international law?

- *Australia has been clear that Iran's nuclear weapons program is a threat to global peace and security, and the security of the region.*
- *Australia continues to urge all parties to prioritise de-escalation, dialogue and diplomacy.*

If pressed:

- *Not here to provide legal analysis.*
- *Australia's focus and priority is the safety of Australians.*

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Subject: Israel-Iran Conflict

Originating Division: MAD

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Reason for Update: Updated talking points
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Talking Points

Reactions to Iran's strikes on US Bases in Iraq and Qatar

- *Australia condemns the attack on US air bases*
- *There are no reports of Australian casualties*
- *We again call for de-escalation, dialogue and diplomacy.*

Are Australian Defence Force members posted in the region safe?

- *The Australian Defence Force continually revises force protection measures for its personnel deployed across the Middle East region.*
- *For operational security reasons, Defence does not comment on the nature of force protection measures.*

What does this mean for Australians wanting to depart the region?

- The situation on the ground is rapidly changing.
- *Subject to conditions on the ground, and airspace being open, we are continuing to plan for assisted departures from Israel by land and air*
 - *and are communicating these plans directly to Australians who wish to depart.*
 - *Plans may change at short notice.*
- *When we have those opportunities, we plan to take them.*
- We urge Australians who want to leave Iran to do so now, if it is safe.
 - Those who are unable to or do not wish to leave, are advised to shelter in place.
 - If you can get to Azerbaijan, DFAT has consular staff at the border ready to support you.

Reactions to US strikes on Iran's nuclear sites

- *The US action was directed at specific sites central to Iran's nuclear program*
 - we continue to call for de-escalation, dialogue and diplomacy.
- We have been clear that Iran's nuclear program is a threat to global peace and security, and the security of the region.
- The security situation in the region *remains* highly volatile.

If pressed on US action: *We support action to prevent Iran from being allowed to get a nuclear weapon.*

Risk of regional escalation and safety of Australians

- Australia *continues to be* deeply concerned about the deteriorating security situation in the Middle East which risks further destabilising an already volatile region.
- The safety of Australians is our priority.
- Australians in conflict-affected areas should monitor Smartraveller and follow the advice of local media and authorities.
- We continue to communicate directly with Australians who have registered with DFAT about specific travel information and important updates.
- Australians in need of emergency consular assistance should contact the Consular Emergency Centre on +61 2 6261 3305.

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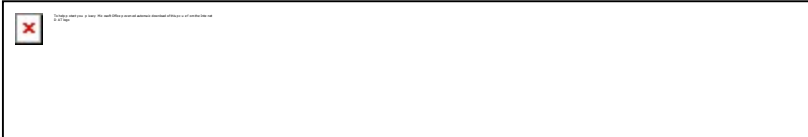
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Subject: Israel-Iran Conflict

Originating Division: MAD

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Version: 18

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Talking Points

Assisted departures

- *Australia facilitated the assisted departure of 118 Australians and their immediate family members, and one New Zealand Citizen from Tel Aviv on 24 June*
 - *the flight landed safely in Dubai at 6.38pm (local time) on 24 June (12:38am on 25 June AEST).*
- *Subject to conditions on the ground, and airspace being open, we continue to plan for assisted departures from Israel*
 - *we are communicating these plans directly to Australians who wish to depart*
 - *plans may change at short notice*
 - *when we have opportunities, we intend to take them.*
- *We urge Australians who want to leave Iran to do so now, if it is safe*
 - *those who are unable to or do not wish to leave, are advised to shelter in place*
 - *if you can get to Azerbaijan, DFAT has consular staff at the border ready to support you.*

Announcement of a ceasefire between Israel and Iran

- *Australia welcomes President Trump's announcement of a ceasefire between Israel and Iran.*
- *We have consistently called for dialogue, diplomacy and de-escalation.*

Are Australian Defence Force members posted in the region safe?

- The Australian Defence Force continually revises force protection measures for its personnel deployed across the Middle East region.
- For operational security reasons, Defence does not comment on the nature of force protection measures.

Risk of regional escalation and safety of Australians

- Australia continues to be deeply concerned about the security situation in the Middle East which risks further destabilising an already volatile region.
- The safety of Australians is our priority.
- Australians in conflict-affected areas should monitor Smartraveller and follow the advice of local media and authorities.
- We continue to communicate directly with Australians who have registered with DFAT about specific travel information and important updates.
- Australians in need of emergency consular assistance should contact the Consular Emergency Centre on +61 2 6261 3305.

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BRIEF FOR MINISTER FOR FOREIGN MINISTER FOR VISIT TO THE UNITED STATES



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MEDIA BRIEF

If raised

<i>US strikes on Iran's nuclear sites</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As the Prime Minister has said, the world has long agreed Iran cannot be allowed to develop a nuclear weapon <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ and we support action to prevent that. • We continue to call for de-escalation, dialogue and diplomacy. <p>s 33(a)(iii), s 47E(d)</p>
<i>Israel-Iran conflict</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Australia is deeply concerned about the security situation in the Middle East and the risk of further conflict. • We welcomed President Trump's announcement of a ceasefire between Israel and Iran. • Iran must come back to the negotiating table to address concerns about its nuclear program <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ this is in the interests of the Iranian people and the people of the region • Australia has been clear that Iran's nuclear and ballistic missile programs pose a threat to international security. • We will continue to urge Israel and Iran to prioritise a diplomatic solution that restores regional stability and provides assurance that Iran can never develop a nuclear weapon.

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Good evening

Please find attached the meeting brief for the Foreign Minister's call with US Secretary of State Marco Rubio, as cleared by Deputy Secretary Lawson.

Thank you for your assistance, please let us know if you require anything further. We will also progress via PDMS.

Warm regards

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Hi Dougal,

A meeting brief for the FM-Secretary Rubio call has been tasked in s 22(1)(a)(ii)

Grateful if this brief could come through to FMO by COB today. Please email to s 22(1)(a)(ii) @dfat.gov.au and s 22(1)(a)(ii)

Kind regards,
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Senator the Hon Penny Wong

Meeting with US Secretary of State, Marco Rubio

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Israel-Hamas Conflict Talking Points:

- Indo-Pacific countries, especially in Southeast Asia, are horrified by the destruction in Gaza – for many, the humanitarian crisis overshadows other issues in the Middle East region.
- Allowing the crisis in Gaza to deepen with apparent impunity undermines our messaging about the rule of law – our adversaries use this to accuse us of double standards.
- While each of our countries has its own perspective on the Hamas-Israel war, we must find common ground in the desire for long-term security for both Israelis and Palestinians, and stability in the broader region.

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Israel – Iran Conflict Talking Points:

- We welcome the ceasefire, but remain deeply concerned about the potential for continued Iran-Israel conflict.
- We recognise the clear threat to international peace and security that Iran's nuclear and ballistic missile programs present.
- Australia has been clear that Iran cannot be allowed to develop a nuclear weapon
 - we support action to prevent that from occurring.
- As President Trump has said, it is now time for peace
 - we continue to urge Iran to come to the table and abandon any nuclear weapons program
 - and urge de-escalation, diplomacy and dialogue, which is in the interests of the region.
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Subject: Request for clearance - CTBT & CD Statements [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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Dear s 22(1)(a)(ii)

As discussed, please find attached updated statements for the CTBT PrepCom and CD plenary, which take into account the cease-fire announcement and the media lines attributable to the PM.

s 47E(d)

We'd welcome your views by 5pm today.

Kind regards,
s 22(1)(a)(ii)

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s 47C(1), s 47E(d)

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6pm (AEST) on Monday

s 22(1)(a)(ii)

An update overnight from Vienna on today's extraordinary Board meeting and a small **update to the draft statement**.

1. We have made **minor updates to the draft statement (attached)** – para one. s 47C(1)
2. s 33(a)(iii), s 47C(1)

s 33(a)(iii)

3.

4.

5.

s 33(a)(iii)

Happy to discuss.

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Hi ^{s 22(1)(a)(ii)}

s 22(1)(a)(ii)

For context, pls see also the attached reporting s 22(1)(a)(ii)

s 33(a)(iii)

s 33(a)(iii)

Happy to discuss

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Subject: s 47E(d)

Hi s 22(1)(a)(ii)

For visibility.

s 33(a)(iii)

Regards,

s 22(1)(a)(ii)

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Colleagues,

FYI.

s 33(a)(iii)

I noted his representation without comment.

s 22(1)(a)(ii)

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Thanks Anna. The DHOM has been conveying similar msgs to Damian (MAB) and s 22(1)(a)(ii) (ISD)

FYI the below ISD colleagues.

Cheers,

s 22(1)(a)(ii)

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s 22(1)(a)(ii)

Vanessa

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s 33(a)(iii)

s 22(1)(a)(ii)

Best

s 22(1)(a)(ii)

As you may have seen from media reporting already, s 33(a)(iii) sponsored resolution finding Iran in non-compliance with its NPT safeguards obligations was adopted by the IAEA Board this morning.

The vote was s 33(a)(iii)

Full reporting and analysis to follow by cable.

Best regards,

s 22(1)(a)(ii)

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Subject: RE: Draft tweets - IAEA Board resolution [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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s 22(1)(a)(ii)

Your language is fine:

s 47C(1)

s 47C(1)

Thanks

Mat

Mathew Fox

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Subject: Draft tweets - IAEA Board resolution [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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s 22(1)(a)(ii) Anna, s 22(1)(a)(ii)

As requested, here are two draft tweets in relation to the IAEA Board resolution on Iran.

s 47C(1)

We have consulted these with Strategic Comms Division, MAD, LGD, ASNO, DND and Vienna Post. I am separately running them past US Branch in parallel.

Post has also provided a picture of Ian Biggs at the Board if you want to use it.

s 22(1)(a)(ii)

Please let us know whether you need anything further.

Thanks

Mat

Mathew Fox

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Subject: Iran - Supplementary materials on IAEA dynamics

s 22(1)(a)(ii) and Anna,

Attached brief on the IAEA resolution and dynamics, and cable from Vienna has been provided to PMC by the crisis centre for the travelling party. (This followed a request from the Secretary this morning.)

Separately, a heads up there is an extraordinary IAEA Board meeting s 33(a)(iii) for Monday 16 June. We will work closely with Vienna and agencies on a statement and our approach. Will need to clear through you as well. No sign of this yet – but a resolution also a possibility.

Vanessa

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IAEA vote – 12 June

- For the first time since 2005, on 12 June (one day before Israel's strikes on Iran), the IAEA Board of Governors adopted a resolution finding Iran non-compliant with its NPT safeguards obligations based on the IAEA Director-General's report of 31 May
 - sponsored by the s 33(a)(iii) the resolution passed with s 33(a)(iii)
 - the resolution followed a November 2024 Board resolution which mandated the IAEA Director General prepare a comprehensive assessment on the presence or use of undeclared nuclear materials in Iran
 - the 12 June resolution deferred reporting Iran's non-compliance to the Security Council, giving Iran a final opportunity to cooperate with the IAEA. It also stressed support for a diplomatic solution, including the US-Iran talks.
- On 13 June, IAEA Director General Grossi advised the Board the Agency was in contact with Iranian authorities to assess impacts on nuclear safety and security following Israel's attacks, stressed that nuclear facilities must never be attacked, called for maximum restraint and avoidance of escalation and expressed his willingness to travel to Iran at the earliest opportunity. Grossi briefed the UN Security Council in similar terms the same day.
- An extraordinary Board meeting is scheduled for Monday 16 June, s 33(a)(iii)

Background

The resolution was adopted s 33(a)(iii)

Iran is not currently a

Board member – so cannot vote on resolutions.

The resolution highlighted 'Iran's many failures to uphold its obligations since 2019 to provide the Agency with full and timely cooperation regarding undeclared nuclear material and activities...in Iran', s 33(a)(iii). It deferred reporting Iran's non-compliance to the UN Security Council and stressed support for a diplomatic solution, including the US-Iran talks.

s 33(a)(iii)

s 33(a)(iii)

There have been 19 IAEA resolutions on Iran since 2003. Iran issues are usually discussed under two agenda items at Board meetings – one on Iran’s NPT safeguards, and one on the Joint Comprehensive Program of Action (JCPOA). The DG usually issues separate reports for each item. The NPT report issued on 31 May was more detailed than usual, to deliver on the Board’s request in the November 2024 resolution.

Australia delivered a national statement and joined a CANZ statement under the item, which stressed the seriousness of Iran’s safeguards issues and the need to uphold the integrity of the non-proliferation regime. s 33(a)(iii)

DG Grossi’s 13 June statement to the Board and subsequent briefing to the UN Security Council noted the Agency was in contact with Iranian authorities to assess impacts on nuclear safety and security, described the development as ‘deeply concerning’ and underlined that nuclear facilities must never be attacked. He called on all parties to exercise maximum restraint and avoid escalation. The safety of Agency staff remained of paramount importance, and actions were being taken to ensure that safeguards inspectors were not harmed. The Agency stood ready to engage on nuclear safety and security and to support dialogue and diplomacy; Grossi expressed willingness to travel to Iran at the earliest opportunity.

As s 33(a)(iii)

Australia’s statement reiterated the threat posed by Iran’s nuclear and ballistic missile program and the importance of Iran returning to compliance with its NPT safeguards obligations, while urging the parties to prioritise dialogue and diplomacy.

s 33(a)(iii)

s 33(a)(iii) the IAEA Board will reconvene for a special session on this topic on **Monday 16 June at 10am (6pm Canberra).**

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Subject: June IAEA Board of Governors meeting: Day 5 AOB [SEC=OFFICIAL:Sensitive]

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Dear colleagues

As you'd appreciate, today's meeting of the IAEA Board was almost entirely focused on Israel's strikes on Iran that took place in the early hours of this morning. A detailed readout of that discussion will be s 47E(d) later tonight s 33(a)(iii)

A special meeting of the Board will be convened on Monday 16 June, following a request from the s 33(a)(iii)

s 22(1)(a)(ii)

Detailed reporting on the regular session of the June Board will follow next week.

Best regards

Safeguards team

s 22(1)(a)(ii)

Counsellor, Australian Embassy and Permanent Mission to the UN, Vienna

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