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Thanks all. Will go back to FMO, and will include the formula in your email Mathew. Cheers, Damian

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I support Vanessa's input below. s 33(a)(iii)

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Damian, a couple of changes from me. (Copying ASNO too)

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Many thanks all. Will respond to FMO shortly with the proposed edits below, subject Mathew to any further views from you/ISD (FMO wanted in particular to make sure you agreed with point one). Cheers, Damian

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Hi Damian

Thanks for the chat just now.

As discussed, could you please have DFAT, including our nuclear experts, do a red line review of the lines below as soon as possible this evening.

Note line two is from Grossi's comments.

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Many thanks

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Adviser

Senator the Hon Penny Wong

Leader of the Government in the Senate

Minister for Foreign Affairs

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Talking Points Israel-Iran Conflict - 0600 23 JUNE 25.docx

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Good Evening

Attached at working draft copies of the Sitrep and TPs. The overnight shift will continue to work on these. Final versions will be sent for clearance at 0430hrs as per today's updated clearance schedule.

Cleared copies will be emailed to the FMO at 0515hrs ahead of their publication and release at 0530hrs.

Regards

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Thanks s 22(1)(a)(ii) /Crisis Centre colleagues,

Please find attached MAD's additions/edits/comments to reflect in tomorrow's sitrep. Grateful if, when updating with any further overnight developments, you could please look out for any reporting on tonight's emergency meeting of the UNSC.

Grateful if you could please ensure that key updates included in the revised sitrep (e.g. significant reactions to the US strikes) – together with any further overnight developments – are also reflected in the background to the TPs.

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s 33(a)(iii), s47C

Suggest it would be helpful to clear responses to these possible questions with FMO for use tomorrow.

Thanks for your help,

Kind regards,

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Good morning,

Please find attached the final versions of the Sitrep and TPs for clearance by 0500.

Cleared copies will be emailed to the FMO at 0515hrs ahead of their publication and release at 0530hrs.

Many thanks,

Crisis Centre

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**Australian Government****Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade****MEDIA TALKING POINTS
DISTRIBUTION: CRISIS**

Topic: CRISIS MANAGEMENT
Subject: Israel-Iran Conflict

Originating Division: MAD

Version Date: 23/6/2025
Version: 12

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

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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Media Interest

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

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ANTHONY ALBANESE
PRIME MINISTER OF AUSTRALIA

TRANSCRIPT

E&OE TRANSCRIPT
PRESS CONFERENCE
PARLIAMENT HOUSE, CANBERRA
MONDAY, 23 JUNE 2025

SUBJECT: Middle East Conflict.

ANTHONY ALBANESE, PRIME MINISTER: Good morning. The world has long agreed that Iran cannot be allowed to get a nuclear weapon. And we support action to prevent that. That is what this is. The US action was directed at specific sites central to Iran's nuclear program. We don't want escalation and a full-scale war. We continue to call for dialogue and for diplomacy. As I've said for many days now, we are deeply concerned about any escalation in the region and we want to see diplomacy, dialogue and de-escalation. We've been upfront about the challenge facing the international community – that is, dealing with the threat posed by any Iranian nuclear weapons program and dealing

with the risk of regional escalation. And that's why Australia called upon Iran to come to the table and abandon any nuclear weapons program. Iran didn't come to the table, just as it has repeatedly failed to comply with its international obligations. We urge Iran not to take any further action that could destabilise the region. Happy to take questions.

JOURNALIST: Prime Minister, could you just explain why you've waited until now to explicitly express your support for this action? And is it because you want Australia to remain a non-central player in this conflict?

PRIME MINISTER: Well, we aren't a central player in this conflict, that's just a fact. And what we do is we run an orderly, stable government. But I made comments about this in three countries, over recent days, and my comments today are perfectly consistent with that.

JOURNALIST: Prime Minister, if I could just ask about – there's a concern from the US around retaliatory action when it comes to sleeper cells in the US. That's something that's been well reported over the last few hours. There's a sense that Iran has the capability to attack European-American nationals beyond the US and the Middle East, is also what's being reported. Was this discussed today and what would be your message to Australians who are seeing this sort of thing coming out in terms of any concern about a threat here in Australia?

PRIME MINISTER: Well, precisely why we're calling for a de-escalation. And obviously we are opposed to any action against Australians or, indeed, against anyone else. What we want to see, as President Trump has said, is peace going forward. There's an opportunity for that to occur.

PENNY WONG, MINISTER FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS: Thank you, Prime Minister. I'll just add to that. Obviously there are always risks, not only from escalation in the region, but also potential for risk more broadly. I indicated publicly this morning that I have asked my Department to consider whether there are any – if there's any alteration to travel advice more generally, which we will obviously make sure is up to –

JOURNALIST: Was that discussed at the National Security Committee?

PRIME MINISTER: We don't talk about what we discuss at NSC.

JOURNALIST: Prime Minister, can you confirm or provide any details to whether Australia has provided any military support via our bases in the region or indeed any signals support via our joint facilities here in Australia?

PRIME MINISTER: Well, we don't talk about intelligence matters, but we confirm, of course, that this was a unilateral action by the United States.

JOURNALIST: Prime Minister, what intelligence has been shared with your Government about whether Iran was imminently at the point of having a nuclear weapon? And following on from Jane's question –

PRIME MINISTER: Refer to previous answers.

JOURNALIST: You're a Government that talks about transparency and talks about being upfront with the Australian people. So, was a facility like Pine Gap used in this attack? Was information that's been garnered there used as part of this attack on Iran?

PRIME MINISTER: We are upfront, but we don't talk about intelligence, obviously. But we've made very clear this was unilateral action taken by the United States.

JOURNALIST: Prime Minister, Foreign Minister, just to return to the first question – why did it take 24 hours for Australia to express unequivocal support for this action by its closest ally? And what does this say about our relationship with the US under your Government?

PRIME MINISTER: We issued a statement yesterday.

JOURNALIST: Prime Minister, is Australia reviewing its terror threat level in the wake of what's been happening? And again, was there any discussions or is there any concerns surrounding potential sleeper cells within this country?

PRIME MINISTER: Look, we are constantly under a position where the ASIO Director-General and our security intelligence agencies are constantly engaged in monitoring. There's been no change in any of the advice that has been issued.

JOURNALIST: Prime Minister, PM Starmer noted that his Government was given prior warning of the US action in Iran, I think quite shortly before it took place, but he was given warning. Was ours?

PRIME MINISTER: The UK has been one of the countries that's been at the negotiating table with Iran for many years on its nuclear weapons program.

JOURNALIST: Just to follow up. So, was your Government briefed prior to the attack?

PRIME MINISTER: This was unilateral action taken by the United States.

JOURNALIST: PM, you weren't briefed, is that the –?

PRIME MINISTER: This was unilateral action taken by the United States.

JOURNALIST: Prime Minister, have you spoken to President Donald Trump since the G7 summit?

PRIME MINISTER: No.

JOURNALIST: Prime Minister, you talk about Tehran coming back to the negotiating table. They were in discussions with the US 10 days ago, Israel attacked it. It actually bombed its chief negotiator. Regardless of what you think about the regime, what incentive – hasn't this blown Tehran's trust in the negotiation process? And Minister Wong, you were asked this morning whether you think these – whether Australia believes these attacks are legal under international law. Can we clarify, do you believe they were legal under international law?

PRIME MINISTER: Well, Iran has an interest, an interest very clearly as well, I believe, in ensuring that there is not an escalation in the region and that is the incentive that they have. The United States have made clear their position and we continue to call for dialogue. Had Iran complied with the very reasonable requests that were made, including by the IAEA, then circumstances would have been different.

JOURNALIST: PM, last year when there were strikes on the Houthis in Yemen, the Government did confirm that Australian resources were part of those strikes, that we refuelled jets and so forth. Are you saying there was absolutely no Australian involvement whatsoever – refuelling jets and nothing whatsoever?

PRIME MINISTER: Well, I can't be clearer than this was unilateral action taken by the United States.

JOURNALIST: Senator Wong, on your decision to withdraw our staff in the embassy in Tehran. Was that consequent out of fear for their safety, as in, were they hit by a bomb or was it their safety that there might be reprisals on the ground in Tehran against US citizens and their allies?

MINISTER WONG: Thanks, Phil. Obviously, that was a difficult decision to make. We've

had to do it previously, the previous Government had to do it in Kyiv and in other parts of the world. It occurs from time to time. But I would say we were very conscious of the history in Iran, which I think is – people well know. And the advice to me, which I discussed with the Prime Minister and the Deputy Prime Minister, was to ensure we got our people out. Obviously, the situation in Iran is very distressing for Australians. We have over – I think it's over 3,000 Australians and their families who have registered with us as seeking to leave and obviously airspace remains closed. We have deployed people to the Azerbaijani border in the event that more Australians are able to exit through that border.

JOURNALIST: Just on the premise of the US attack – you support the US attack, but do you support the premise of the US attack, which is that Iran was imminently close to having nuclear weapons? And if so, what intelligence on that have you seen?

PRIME MINISTER: Well, the information has been clear that Iran has sought to increase the grade, which had been, you know – there's no other explanation for it to reach 60 other than engaging in a program that wasn't about civilian nuclear power. And that was clear. It was also very clear over a period of time and as early as a week ago, of course, at the G7, when President Trump left the G7, made it clear that Iran had an opportunity to comply. They chose not to. And there have been consequences of that. Thanks very much.

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OFFICIAL: SENSITIVE**ISRAEL-IRAN CONFLICT: DFAT (CRISIS CENTRE) SITREP V11
AS AT 0600 24 JUNE 2025****KEY UPDATES**

1. Military strikes by Iran and Israel continued for an 11th consecutive day.
2. The planned assisted departure flight from Tel Aviv to Dubai on 23 June was cancelled. Options are being explored for departures from 24 June onwards.
3. Israeli authorities approved the resumption of limited operations at Tel Aviv's Ben Gurion International Airport from Monday 23 June (local time).
4. Airspace in Iran and Iraq remains closed. Airspace in Jordan and Lebanon is open with limited flights.

SITUATION UPDATE

- Iran and Israel's military strikes continued for a 11th consecutive day.
- The IDF reportedly carried out strikes on Iranian military sites in Kermanshah, Shahroud, Hamedan and Tehran; 6 airports, destroying 15 fighter aircraft and helicopters; and struck Iran's infamous Evin Prison.
- Recent IDF strikes have targeted the main road to Fordow nuclear facility, Basij headquarters, IRGC command centres, a Red Crescent Society building, the Tehran Power Distribution company, and the entrance of the Evin Prison in Tehran. ([Times of Israel](#)).
- Iran launched 4 waves of missile attacks on Israel ([Times of Israel](#)).
- Actively monitoring potential lines of Iranian retaliation; terrorist activity, reprisal attacks on US targets and actions in the Strait of Hormuz ([CNN](#), [Politico](#)).
- IAEA chief Rafael Grossi said earlier that US bombing had likely caused 'very significant' damage to underground enrichment facilities at Fordow. He said the IAEA was standing-by ready to inspect the facility along with Natanz and Isfahan 'when agreed with Iran.' ([IAEA](#))
- On Monday 23 June, [Prime Minister Anthony Albanese](#) expressed support for action to prevent Iran being allowed to get a nuclear weapon. He called on Iran "to come to the table and abandon any nuclear weapons program".

- Foreign Minister Penny Wong also said Australia supported action to prevent Iran acquiring a nuclear weapon while emphasising the need for de-escalation and urging Iran “to come back to the negotiating table and engage in diplomacy” (Reuters).
 - FM Wong also outlined efforts to assist Australians stranded in the region amid closed airspace and rising risks.
- US President Donald Trump said “monumental damage was done to all nuclear sites in Iran” while confirming the safe return of the US Air Force bomber pilots to the US.
 - He added “[...] if the current Iranian regime is unable to make Iran great again, why wouldn’t there be a Regime change?”.
- Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu said Israel is close to meeting its goals in Iran, adding that “when the objectives are achieved, then the operation is complete and the fighting will stop” (Reuters).
- During a meeting of the UN Security Council in New York on Sunday (local time), Russia, China and Pakistan called for a resolution seeking an immediate and unconditional ceasefire in the Middle East (Al Jazeera, Reuters).
 - UN Secretary-General António Guterres said US strikes on Iran constituted “a perilous turn in a region already reeling” and called for an end to “another cycle of destruction” (UN News).
 - IAEA Director General Rafael Grossi said attacks on Iranian nuclear sites put the global nuclear non-proliferation regime “on the line” and “could result in radioactive releases with grave consequences within and beyond the boundaries of the state which has been attacked”.
- The IAEA said that, as of now, there have been no reports of increased off-site radiation levels following the earlier US strikes on Fordow, Esfahan and Natanz.
- UK Prime Minister Keir Starmer spoke with President Trump to stress the need for de-escalation, warning of regional and global risks. He reaffirmed the UK’s stance against Iran developing nuclear weapons (BBC).

- Iran's Foreign Minister Seyed Abbas Araqchi arrived in Moscow to meet Russia's President Putin (NYT).

AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT RESPONSE

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IRAN RESPONSE

- Foreign Ministry spokesperson Baghaei said Iran had 'specific expectations' of Russia within the framework of their Comprehensive Strategic Partnership. ([Reuters](#))
- UN Ambassador Bahreini accused the US of 'waging war' and criticised 'the silence, double standards, and complicity of international organisations and some Western countries'. He said the Iranian military would decide on the 'timing, nature and scale' of its 'proportionate' response. ([Al Jazeera](#))
- The Iranian parliament voted to block the Strait of Hormuz, with a final decision resting with Iran's Supreme National Security Council. ([Politico](#))

UNITED STATES RESPONSE

- The [US Embassy in Qatar](#) posted an alert on its website advising American citizens to shelter in place until further notice.
- President Trump [reiterated](#) that 'monumental damage was done to all nuclear sites in Iran'; and asked 'if the current Iranian regime is unable to make Iran great again, why wouldn't there be a Regime change?'.
- At the 22 June UNSC meeting, the US defended its military operation to end the Iranian nuclear threat and warned that 'any Iranian attack – direct or indirect – against Americans or American bases will be met with devastating retaliation.'

OTHER INTERNATIONAL RESPONSES

- President Putin condemned the US strikes as 'absolutely unprovoked aggressions', and told Iranian FM Araghchi, in televised comments, that Russia was 'making efforts to assist the Iranian people' but did not elaborate on what this assistance might look like. ([Times of Israel](#)) (Reuters)
- UK PM Starmer said he had [spoken](#) with President Trump to stress the need for de-escalation, warning of regional and global risks, but said Iran developing a nuclear weapon was 'the greatest threat' to regional stability .
- French President Macron posted that 'engaging in dialogue' and securing Iran's commitment 'to renounce nuclear weapons' was 'the only path to peace and security for all'; French FM Barrot said Iranians had to 'choose for themselves the time and circumstances to change the regime and 'it would be illusory and dangerous to think that such a change can be provoked by force and bombs'.
- German Chancellor Merz said 'there is no reason to criticize what America did at the weekend. Yes, it is not without risk. But leaving things as they were was not an option either'.
- Canadian Prime Minister Carney posted that, while US military action was 'designed to alleviate' the threat of Iran developing a nuclear weapon, 'the situation in the Middle East remains highly volatile'.
- E3 Leaders (UK, France, Germany) published a declaration calling upon Iran to 'engage in negotiations' and urging it 'not to take any further action that could destabilise the region'. The E3 said they would 'continue our joint diplomatic efforts to defuse tensions and ensure the conflict does not intensify and spread further'.

SECURITY UPDATES

- The US embassy in Qatar [issued](#) a security alert to US citizens recommending they 'shelter in place until further notice'. The UK [updated](#) its own travel advice for Qatar to relay the US alert.
- A number of airlines announced suspension of flights through the region ([Reuters](#))
 - Finnair suspended flights to Doha and [cancelled](#) all flights till 30 June, including 1 flight on 1 July.
 - Singapore Airlines [cancelled](#) flights to Dubai through to 25 June.
 - Air Astana [cancelled](#) flights to Dubai and Doha for 24 June.

- The Joint Maritime Information Centre (JMIC) released an [advisory note](#) assessing elevated threat and risk for shipping in the Strait of Hormuz and broader Middle East. JMIC recommended the shipping industry remain vigilant as higher levels of electronic interference continue to be experienced.
- A Smartraveller alert on the Global impacts of conflict was [issued](#) 23 June, warning conflict in the Middle East could impact safety and security globally.
- The US State Department issued a worldwide [security alert](#) advising its citizens overseas to exercise increased caution due to potential demonstrations against US citizens and interests abroad.
- Israeli authorities approved the resumption of limited operations at Tel Aviv's Ben Gurion International Airport ([Times of Israel](#)), with Israel's national carrier El Al [announcing](#) limited outbound flights from Monday 23 June 2025 (local time).
- Airspace in Iran and Iraq remains closed. Airspace in Jordan and Lebanon is open with limited flights.
- New Zealand's Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade said it may assist citizens of Pacific Island nations stranded in Iran or Israel "where feasible" ([RNZ](#)).
- Various Gulf Arab countries hosting US military bases issued a series of statements expressing dismay over the US attack and calling for de-escalation and restraint ([NYT](#)).
- The Australian Embassy in Tel Aviv remains closed to the public.

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