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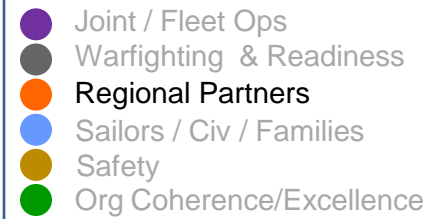
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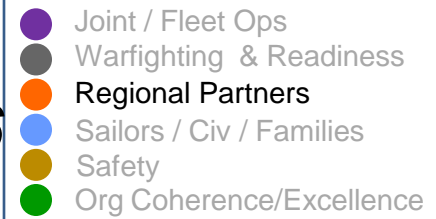
Proposal: Adoption of CUES for National Coastguards



- **CUES was approved by the 14th WPNS (Qingdao, 22-23 Apr 14) and recently adopted by the member nations of the Indian Ocean Naval Symposium (IONS).**
- **The USN proposes the adoption of CUES by National Coast Guards for the following reasons;**
 - Unplanned regional encounters and interaction between National Coast Guards and Navy's are as likely as Navy to Navy encounters;
 - The overall purpose of CUES and the assurance measures for Naval ships are equally applicable to vessels and aircraft of National Coast Guards;
 - The increased need for maritime domain awareness and security is likely to require increased application of Coast Guard assets and therefore increased instances for unplanned encounters at sea between WPNS (and IONS) member and observer nations.



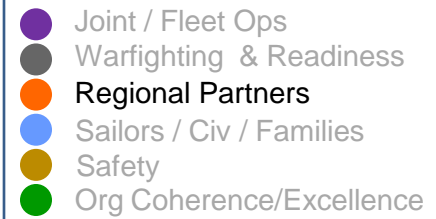
Proposal: Delay MCMEX / DIVEX 2016



- The 14th WPNS determined that the USN would lead the MCMEX / DIVEX for 2016.
- Due to scheduling conflicts caused by RIMPAC 2016, the USN proposes a delay of 12 months to host the MCMEX / DIVEX in Guam in mid 2017.



Proposal: Development of a standing WPNS Coalition Task Group



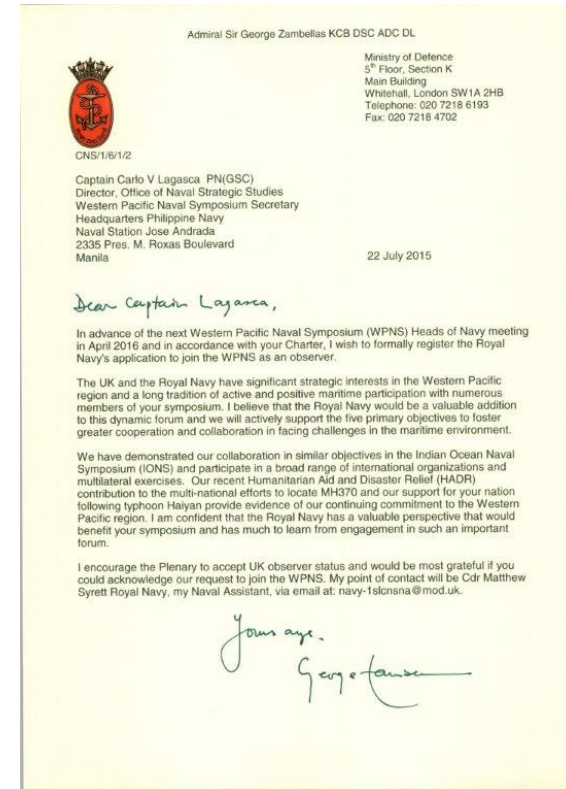
- **In order to increase regional maritime domain awareness and security, the USN proposes the development of a Standing Coalition Task Group.**
- **Discussion Points;**
 - Centralized coordination and information sharing (similar to the ReCAAP arrangement);
 - Rotational Command;
 - Increased interaction, understanding;
 - National assets might include assignment of vessels (Naval – Coast Guard), aircraft (Naval – Coast Guard), personnel and / or MDA product; and
 - The evolution of CUES as the supporting operational doctrine might be prudent in the short term.



Support – United Kingdom WPNS Observer Status

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- The United Kingdom formally requested WPNS Observer Status through the WPNS Secretariat 22 Jul 15.
- The request for Observer status is fully supported by the USN and will be formally addressed by correspondence prior to the 15th WPNS.





Support – United Kingdom WPNS Permanent Observer Status

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Questions