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Presentation outline

- ❖ The Australian Government's approach
- ❖ The role of the OTS
- ❖ Extension of Australia's maritime security regime

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The National Transport Security Strategy

- ❖ Transport security is essential to maintain confidence in the transport system
- ❖ Transport security is a shared goal and a shared responsibility
- ❖ Intelligence and threat information play a key role in transport security



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The National Transport Security Strategy

- ❖ Transport security costs are primarily the responsibility of the provider of transport services
- ❖ Transport security measures developed and implemented following a risk assessment



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Common approach to transport security


- ❖ The Government takes a common approach to transport security, regardless of the mode of transport
- ❖ Threat context statement
- ❖ Risk assessment
- ❖ Security plan



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- ❖ OTS was established in order to implement the expanded aviation compliance and enforcement regime
- ❖ OTS regulates Australian transport security, and advises Government on transport security
- ❖ Outcome: a transport system more secure against terrorism and unlawful acts
- ❖ Our focus is preventive transport security

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Australian ISPS Code Compliance

- ❖ Australia has been fully compliant with the ISPS Code since its commencement on 1 July 2004
- ❖ There are currently 250 ship and maritime security plans in force in Australia
- ❖ Since 1 July 2004
 - ❑ There have been 9687 ship visits to Australia
 - ❑ Almost all have possessed a valid International Ship Security Certificate (ISSC)
 - ❑ Six ships have been issued with control directions to address non-possession of a valid ISSC
- ❖ Australia has extended the ISPS regime to interstate vessels and the ports that handle them

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Beyond ISPS

- ❖ Continual review of maritime security is undertaken
 - ❑ Secretaries' Committee on National Security (SCNS) assessment of maritime security policy settings
 - ❑ Taskforce on Offshore Maritime Security
 - ❑ Industry consultation
 - ❑ Feedback from audit and compliance

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Transport of high consequence dangerous goods

- ❖ Nationally consistent approach
- ❖ Legislation review and gap analysis
- ❖ National Transport Commission work to develop model legislation
- ❖ Safety and security outcomes can conflict



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Strengthening Australia's offshore security

- ❖ Clear delineation of responsibilities for offshore and in port security
- ❖ Offshore facilities to be included in the MTSA
- ❖ Joint Offshore Protection Command
- ❖ Australian Maritime Identification System
- ❖ Augmented patrols for oil and gas fields in the Timor Sea and North West Shelf

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Global focus

- ❖ Maritime security is a global issue
- ❖ Implementation of transport security can't focus solely on Australia
- ❖ Must address risk transfer
- ❖ Pushing borders out

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International maritime issues

- ❖ Reviewing maritime security and ISPS
- ❖ ISPS compliance quality assurance issues
 - ❑ Need confidence that reported compliance is real
 - ❑ Compliance verification mechanisms must be transparent
- ❖ A focus on security regulation
- ❖ Proposed amendments to SUA

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Transport security in our region

- ❖ To aid development of effective transport security
 - ❑ OTS has deployed officers to South-East Asian based in Jakarta and Manila
 - ❑ OTS has dedicated liaison officers conducting assistance missions in the Pacific
 - ❑ OTS is running training programmes to better equip transport security authorities in the region
 - ❑ OTS is working closely with the Philippines Office of Transportation Security to enhance IMO ISPS Compliance

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Future work

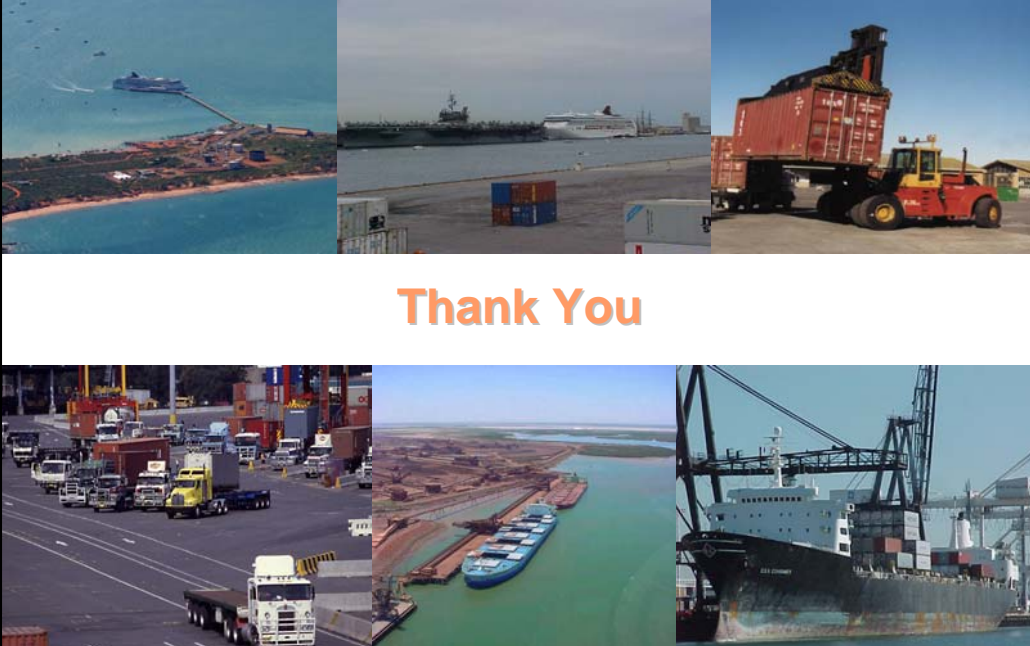
- ❖ Ships and ports
 - ❑ Security for non-SOLAS vessels
- ❖ Crew and passengers
 - ❑ Identity
 - ❑ ILO Convention 185
 - ❑ Training
- ❖ Cargo
 - ❑ High consequence dangerous goods

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International maritime governance

- ❖ Working with IMO on compliance and verification
- ❖ Sharing of intelligence and information
- ❖ Coordination of capability development
- ❖ IMO broadening its focus to include ports
- ❖ Recognising that security is on the agenda

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