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Potential Maritime Security Risks: Regulations, Concerns and practicalities

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a. Context

- Port of Melbourne Australia's busiest container port
- Expected \$5 billion to \$6billion LT lease
- 2013, Port Botany: \$4.31 b
- 2010, Port of Brisbane 99 years in 2010: \$2.3 b
- 2015, public dividend \$43.7 m
- \$1.6b expansion Webb Dock 2020-2030



b. Port of Melbourne

- Port of Melbourne Corporation (PoMC) I July 2003
- Port Services Act 1995 (Vic) are to:
- manage and develop the port in an economically, socially and environmentally sustainable manner;
- ensure essential port services are available and cost effective;
- ensure effective integration of the port with other systems of infrastructure in the state;
- facilitate sustainable trade growth;
- manage the channels in the port for use on a fair and equitable basis



c. Victorian Ports Strategic Framework

- Framework Direction I: Building on existing capabilities and competitive strengths;
- Framework Direction2: Anticipating and planning for future land, access and infrastructure needs
- Framework Direction 3: Providing the right regulatory and institutional settings for a sustainable port system

c. Strategic Framework

- Russell Report: The next wave of Port Reform in Victoria 2001 (Victorian Government)
- Port Services Art 1995(Vic)
- 2004 Victorian Ports Strategic Framework (Victorian Government)
- Growing Victoria Together (Victorian Government);
- Port of Melbourne Land Use Plan 2002(PoMC);
- PoMC Corporate Plan (PoMC);
- Melbourne 2030 (Victorian Government);
- Linking Victoria (Victorian Government);
- Victorian Coastal Strategy (Victorian Government);
- The Cruise Ship Strategy Destination Victoria 2002-05 (Victorian Government);
- AusLink White Paper 2004 (Commonwealth Government);
- Draft Victorian Freight and Logistics Strategy (Victorian Government);
- Meeting our Transport Challenges (Victorian Government)



d. Port Security

- New public management (Charih and Rouillard, 1997)
- Information technology
- Transparency of Government operation
- Organisational framework including industry, human resources, financial sector, market, technology, economic-culturalsocial and international factors (Daft, 1998)

e. Port Security Measures

- Port Operators
- Maritime Transport and Offshore Facilities Security Act 2003 (MTOFSA) :
- scheduling;
- general security;
- arranging and holding port-wide security committee meetings;
- berthage;
- anchorage; and
- Wharfage.



e. Port Security Measures

- Port Security Zones
- Proposing the establishment of a security zone

Encouraging Industry Operators to consider risk

- August 2015, the Maritime Security Guard (MSG) under the Maritime Transport and Offshore Facilities Security Act 2003 (MTOFSA)
- Maritime Transport and Offshore Facilities Security Regulations 2003 (MTOFSR): minimum competence.

- Request people to produce identification and state reasons for being in maritime security zones;
- Restrain and detain people;
- Remove unauthorised people from maritime security zones if they do not leave when requested to do so; and
- Remove unauthorised vehicles and vessels from maritime security zones if a guard is unable to have the vehicles or vessels removed by persons in control of them.

The person:

- must hold at least a Certificate II in Security Operations that is in force; or
- must hold a certificate or qualification that is in force and that is equivalent to at least Certificate II in Security Operations (for example, a Certificate II in Security (Guarding); or
- must have undergone training and acquired experience while working as a security guard that is sufficient to satisfy the requirements for obtaining a security guard license in the state or territory where the person intends to work as a maritime security guard (the relevant state or territory);
- the person must hold a licence to work as a security guard, being a licence that was issued or recognised by the relevant State or Territory and that is in force;
- the person must have a working knowledge of the MTOFSA and MTOFSR. Including knowledge about how to restrain and detain persons in accordance with section 163 of the MTOFSA.

Compliance

MSGs perform a range of roles, including but not limited to:

- Access control;
- Controlling embarkation of people, baggage and cargo;
- Monitoring of restricted areas (including Maritime Security Zones (MSZs));
- Provision of security services including patrols;
- Supervision of cargo and ship stores;
- Screening passengers, baggage and cargo;
- Checking of documentation (including identity documents); and
- Monitoring of closed circuit television

- MSGs have powers to:
- Request that people produce identification and state reasons for being in an MSZ;
- Restrain and detain people;
- Request that a person leave an MSZ, if the MSG reasonably suspects they are in the MSZ without authorisation;
- Remove unauthorised people from an MSZ if they do not leave when requested to do so; and
- Remove unauthorised vehicles and vessels from an MSZ if the guard is unable to have the vehicles or vessels removed by persons in control of them.
- Limitations on maritime security powers
- Power to detain reasonable suspect must not use more force than that is necessary and reasonable

powers by MSGs

 be in line with the standard operating procedures (SOPs) as specified by the port facility / port operator authority

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