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Partnering with the AFP's International Network

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AFP International Network



Policing in a Global Environment

Global criminal environment today is complex, borderless and fluid.

With criminal groups active at local, national and international levels, investigations and operations are **increasingly likely to have an International context.**

The AFP provides a first point of contact for all overseas law enforcement enquiries via avenues including:

- International Network;
- INTERPOL/EUROPOL; and
- Pacific Transnational Crime Network.



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AFP's International Liaison Network



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International Network Purpose

Primary Purpose

Establish and ensure continuity of relationships.

Key Elements

Brokering **collaboration** with international law enforcement agencies to drive investigations and support bilateral or multi-lateral cooperation.

Collection and **exchange** of **information** and **criminal intelligence** in support of international law enforcement efforts.

Enhancing **capacity** and **capability** of international law enforcement agencies to combat transnational crime.

International Network Themes



International Interaction

Police-to-Police Assistance

Informal processes which allows law enforcement agencies to share information and conduct related operational activities quickly and informally.

INTERPOL/EUROPOL

Provides a mechanism for undertaking routine enquiries that do not require specific police-to-police engagement.

Mutual Assistance

Process of government to government assistance in criminal investigations and prosecutions.

Effectiveness

- AFP, ABF and RAN have an excellent relationship, exchanging information and intelligence - countering people smuggling.
- AFP Intelligence Analyst into CTF150 between Jan-Apr 2016. This identified the value of having law enforcement analyst working with military on operations and intelligence exchange.
- AFP will be embedding an Intelligence Analyst full time into RNIFC from December 2016.
- AFP has been working with RAN to have samples seized from dhows. Analysed and entered into a database in Australia in order we can link seizures made in Australia to these syndicates in the Indian Ocean region and Africa

Effectiveness

- AFP analysis has identified West African organised crime groups targeting Australia
- Opportunities are exchanging information and intelligence on OCG/CT groups involved in trafficking of narcotics but more importantly following the money.