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RE (C09000058-TEH): AFGHANISTAN: MILITARY TECHNICAL ARRANGEMENT: CROSS-ACCREDITATION VISIT

Summary

We respond to questions raised in your C09000058-TEH regarding the conclusion of the revised Afghanistan / New Zealand Military Technical Arrangement (MTA) and Arrangement covering the Treatment of Detainees (ATD).

Message

Action

Grateful TEH/WSH remain in contact with each other over the next few days to ascertain the best place to conclude and execute the MTA and ATD documents.

Report

Contact points in Wellington over the weekend are as follows:

- MFAT PSR(IC)3 (LGL) PSR(IC)3 (available although travelling so coverage may be intermittent).
- NZDF PSR(IC)3

(DLS) - PSR(IC)3

(pref) or PSR(IC)3

2 PSR(IC)3 can also receive classified emails over the weekend on his blackberry at PSR(IC)3

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- There is little flexibility on paragraph 7 of the ATD (the death penalty provision). The draft wording is identical to that secured by PSR(C)1 in its Memorandum of Understanding. PSR(C)1 statements suggest the language would be acceptable in a Ministry level arrangement.
- There are few legal requirements for conclusion of the arrangements. Sanders or Ferguson need only fill in the signature block name, title, place, date and signature and their counterparts the same. Each arrangement should be signed in duplicate, with TEH/WSH retaining one copy for LGL and the other copy remaining with the Afghan Government.