

**From:** PSR(sen)1, PSR(IC)3  
**Sent:** Wed, 8 Sep 2010 08:04:59 +1200  
**To:** PSR(sen)1, PSR(IC)3  
HQNZDF.ADSF  
**Cc:** WAATEA.SNO  
**Subject:** RE: [EXTERNAL RELEASE EXTERNAL RELEASE] External Release: Info/Updates

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Team – For your SA only. No further distr at this time.

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**From:** WAATEA.SNO (LTCOL Parsons)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 8 September 2010 7:12 a.m.  
**To:** SWAN - HQNZDF.DDSO; SWAN - HQNZDF.DSO (Colonel Kelly)  
**Cc:** @XO  
**Subject:** RE: [EXTERNAL RELEASE] External Release: Info/Updates

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Today I have sighted the Accident Investigation Team's (AIT) conclusion into the claims of civ cas in BAGLAN. IJC wasn't willing to release the report to us, so I can not fwd a copy. However, **it categorically clears both gnd and air c/s of any allegations.** It states that having reviewed the evidence there is no way that civ cas could have occurred. We already knew we were without fault, but the AWT have now also been cleared which is good news.

You may recall it was claimed that two females were injured and in hospital. When the AIT asked to see these persons, the district governor admitted that they were in fact military aged males. NFTR.

The other alleged civ cas were reputed to be the 'sisters' of KALTA (B1) and NEMUTULLAH (B2). PSR(S)1, PSR(S)2, PSR(S)3 have not heard from either man in two in two weeks whereas a number of their associates are back PSR(S)2, PSR(S)3. Moreover, it is improbable that B1 and B2's sisters would have been armed and manoeuvring around the mountains in the middle of the night – the usage of 'sister' may have in fact been INS veiled speech to describe B1 and B2. In the absence of corroboration, there is no way to be sure at this point if B1 and B2 have been KIA, so we will continue to monitor. At the very least they have been disrupted.

Chris

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**From:** HQNZDF.DDSO [mailto:PSR(sen)1, PSR(IC)3]  
**Sent:** Sunday, 5 September 2010 12:07 p.m.  
**To:** WAATEA.SNO  
**Cc:** @XO  
**Subject:** RE: External Release: Info/Updates

Gents

I sent the message (below) to you last Thu, and once I had logged off the system came back and told me it couldn't send it to you. Helpful!!

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CDF is briefing the Minister tomorrow morning at 0830 on a few issues (not related to WAATEA) however the issue of the CIVCAS Report may come up. I briefed CDF's PSO on Saturday that there was no new updates and that if they did not hear anything from me by first thing Monday that he should take it that there is nothing new at all.

I will also drop you a message on DIXS in case this one does not make it through - similarly, if there is anything that you think CDF should be aware of ahead of that brief then drop it to me via this means with a 'heads up' via DIXS or phone.

I am out of the building on a course tomorrow (Mon) through to EOP Wednesday. I will keep a close eye on the BBerry/phone and <sup>PSR(sen)</sup> can get hold of me easily if there is a need. I will be in to prep Tuesdays CDF brief on Monday night our time and will put in any final info that comes from you over Tue night (our time) in first thing on Tue. I will brief it at 0830 as normal.

Hope the hand-over is going well.

Cheers

Karl

Lt Col K.B (Karl Cummins)

DDSO

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**From:** HQNZDF.DDSO  
**Sent:** Thursday, 2 September 2010 12:39 p.m.  
**To:** WAATEA.SNO  
**Cc:** HQNZDF.ADSF; NZSAS.XO; HQNZDF.DSO  
**Subject:** RE: [~~ISAF SECRET~~] External Release: **PSR(S)2, PSR(S)3**

Rian/Chris

Just spoke to <sup>PSR(sen)</sup> re repatriation of <sup>PSR(sen)</sup> is expecting a decision today, although this is not guaranteed. <sup>PSR(sen)</sup> thinks the decision is leaning toward AME, however discussions are ongoing between NZDF and the provider to work out the best COA. <sup>PSR(sen)</sup> will let DSO and yourselves know when we have a clear decision. That said, DSO will take this to VCDF/CDF if we are not happy with the outcome.

As outlined by DSO below, should anything, including the report on CIVCAS (noting this may not come through at all if ISAF do not release it) transpire that needs to be briefed to CDF/VCDF up until next Wed evening NZ time, then drop it to me on **PSR(S)2, PSR(S)3** If you could also alert me via DIXS/phone as well then that will speed things up.

As far as any material that will need to be briefed in the CDF brief next Tue, I will prepare this on Mon evening our time/Mon a.m. your time.

Standing by.

Karl

Lt Col K.B (Karl) Cummins  
DDSO

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**From:** HQNZDF.DSO (Colonel Kelly)  
**Sent:** Thursday, 2 September 2010 8:17 a.m.  
**To:** WAATEA.SNO (LTCOL McKinstry)  
**Cc:** HQNZDF.DDSO; HQNZDF.ADSF; NZSAS.XO  
**Subject:** RE: ~~[ISAF SECRET]~~ External Release: PSR(S)2, PSR(S)3

**Importance:** High

Cheers.

Army really appreciated the efforts of utilising the NZLAV and getting hold of the two GMGs. I am certain <sup>PSR(S)2</sup> did as well.

I am heading away tomorrow on leave for a week and will be down in Wanaka (reliving the old mountain troop days), Karl is holding the fort here in Wgtn so it would be best to ensure all emails are sent to Karl (on <sup>PSR(S)2, PSR(S)3</sup>) and <sup>PSR(S)2, PSR(S)3</sup> to ensure they are cleared in a timely manner and brought to the attention of the CDF/VCDF/COMJ. Karl will also be working out of RL on Fri.

For next week:

Karl will prep the brief on Mon and will present to CDF on Tue.

If the CIVCAS assessment report comes in, there is a degree of urgency around this and it will need to be staffed quickly through HQNZDF and JFNZ then across the road to PM, MFA and MinDef. Could you call ahead of time and let us know it is on the wire, this will ensure we clear it promptly.

I will remain contactable at all times via cell ph and will have the sectera with me as well. If need be I can cut and run to get back to Wgtn for an emergency.

Have a safe journey home and look forward to catching up over lunch on the 16th.

Regards to Chris

Cheers

PK

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**From:** WAATEA.SNO [mailto:<sup>PSR(S)2, PSR(S)3</sup>]  
**Sent:** Thursday, 2 September 2010 4:05 a.m.  
**Subject:** ~~[ISAF SECRET]~~ External Release: PSR(S)2, PSR(S)3

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Hi Boss

PSR(S)2, PSR(S)3

Discussion  
of unrelated  
operation  
outside ToR

In other News <sup>PSR(sen)1, PSR(IC)3</sup> has arrived today, our handover starts tomorrow. <sup>PSR(sen)1, PSR(IC)</sup> and <sup>PSR(sen)1, PSR(IC)</sup> are due in theatre tomorrow. Also of note the LAV's have returned from the route recce task to Bamyan. We also conducted a drop off and train the trainer activity for the 2 x 40mm GMG, so that task is put to bed.

Rian

PSR(S)1, PSR(S)2, PSR(S)3