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**HOT ISSUE BRIEF**

**ISSUE: PROBABLE ASSAULT OF ADF MEMBER IN  
YOKUSKA JAPAN**

**SENSITIVITY: Low**

**KEY ISSUES:**

- At approx 1100 local 4 Feb 11, the Acting Contingent Commander for an EXERCISE TALISMAN SABRE 11 planning activity being conducted in Yokosuka, Japan was informed of the hospitalization of an ADF (Army) member following a possible assault ashore.
- The member was probably assaulted at approximately 2200 local on 3 Feb 11 as he proceeded ashore from the Naval Base at Yokosuka. He was subsequently transported by ambulance to a local hospital where he received medical treatment for facial and rib injuries sustained.
- The member was examined at the base hospital on discharge from the hospital and recovered to the ship at approx 1500 local on 4 Feb. The member has been deemed fit to travel and is scheduled to return to Australia PM 5 Feb 11.
- There is no indication of involvement by other service members, members of the public, media or civilian

police. Noting that the member was attached to [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] staff have  
been briefed on the incident and intend no action.

- A Quick Assessment has been conducted and the Defence Attaché in Tokyo has been informed.

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