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Subject: HELICOPTER ACCIDENT VICINITY SHOAL WATER BAY TRAINING AREA
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SENSITIVITY: Serious injury, potential fatalities to civilian personnel contracted to Defence.

KEY ISSUES:

- **Helicopter crash vicinity Double Mountain, at Defence's Shoalwater Bay Training Area, near Rockhampton, Queensland.**
- **Initial reports indicate the pilot and the two passengers are all injured, one of them is in a serious condition. There have been unconfirmed reports of one fatality.**
- Initial call to 000 was made by a surviving passenger from the downed aircraft approximately 1203h, Thur 8 Sep.
- Two rescue aircraft and an ambulance are currently enroute to locate and provide assistance.
- Initial rescue helicopter reached the site at 1324h and found helicopter upside down with one person outside the helicopter.
- The crashed aircraft was a civilian helicopter leased by PS Management Consultants conducting scheduled routine maintenance on Defence radio communication towers.
- Local point of contact at Shoalwater Bay Training Area is SGT Daniel Smith, ph 07 49355000

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