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Subject: COMPLAINT OF INAPPROPRIATE BEHAVIOUR BY NAVY SAILOR IN
RELATION TO HIS [REDACTED]

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HOT ISSUE BRIEF

ISSUE: Complaint of Inappropriate Behaviour by Navy Sailor in relation to his [REDACTED]

SENSITIVITY: High - due to alleged imminent media interest.

KEY ISSUES:

- Navy Command was advised on 23 October 2011 of complaints that an *Albatross* sailor and his Navy colleagues engaged in threats, harassment, verbal abuse and intimidation in relation to the [REDACTED].
- [REDACTED] informed *Albatross* staff on 23 November 2011 that she was in contact with a television news producer regarding her "*experiences with Albatross*".
- [REDACTED] stated that the news producer was going to call her back on 23 November 2011, at which time [REDACTED] was going to decide whether she would speak to the media.
- [REDACTED] has recently made a formal statement to the Naval Police Coxswains in relation to her complaints. Her complaints are currently under investigation.

- Both the sailor and the [REDACTED] (also an ADF member) are due to post out of *Albatross* at the end of 2011. They are moving to different states.

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TALKING POINTS

- I can confirm that [REDACTED] of a sailor working at HMAS *Albatross* has made some allegations against him.
- These claims are being thoroughly investigated by Navy police.
- Navy expects the highest standards of behaviour from its members to reflect the pride which the community has of the RAN.

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