

**From:** <sup>PSR(S)3, PSR(Sen)1</sup>  
**Sent:** Tue, 31 Aug 2010 16:49:00 +1200  
**To:** **PARSONS, Chris** ;WAATEA.SNO  
**Subject:** FW: [~~SECRET~~] [~~ISAF SECRET~~] External Release Issue External to the Sitrep  
**Attachments:** CIVCAS MEDIA.DOC

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Gents the attached rpt differs from <sup>PSR(S)3, PSR</sup> feedback below re Obj Burnham and, therefore, any civ cas is yet to be proven. Outside of this and taking into account the comment by DSO in that NZDF are still undecided as to whether they will rpt this incident or not, there are a number of very good reasons why any reporting should not occur regardless of how bland it might be. As you know there is a very real threat to security that could result if the kiwis are in any way linked to the Burnham job.

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**From:** **PARSONS, Chris**  
**Sent:** Tuesday, 31 August 2010 3:08 p.m.  
**To:** <sup>PSR(S)3, PSR(Sen)1</sup>  
**Subject:** FW: [~~SECRET~~] [~~ISAF SECRET~~] External Release Issue External to the Sitrep

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We'll need to work together on this to ID options ~~PSR(S)2, PSR(S)3~~

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**From:** HQNZDF.DSO [mailto:~~PSR(S)2, PSR(S)3~~]  
**Sent:** Monday, 30 August 2010 4:42 p.m.  
**To:** WAATEA.SNO; @CO; @XO  
**Subject:** RE: [~~SECRET~~] [~~ISAF SECRET~~] External Release Issue External to the Sitrep

Rian

Discussion of future potential force structure

~~PSR(S)2, PSR(S)3~~

Cheers

PK

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**From:** WAATEA.SNO **PSR(S)2, PSR(S)3**  
**Sent:** Monday, 30 August 2010 3:53 p.m.  
**To:** HQNZDF.DSO  
**Subject:** RE: [~~SECRET~~] [~~ISAF SECRET~~] External Release Issue External to the Sitrep

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**From:** HQNZDF.DSO (**Colonel Kelly**)  
**Sent:** Monday, 30 August 2010 6:38 a.m.  
**To:** WAATEA.SNO; @CO; SWAN - HQNZDF.ADSF; SWAN - HQNZDF.DDSO; @XO  
**Subject:** RE: [~~ISAF SECRET~~] External Release Issue External to the Sitrep

Rian

Cheers for this. I will brief these updates tomorrow at the CDF brief. I will have to draft another note to Min Def informing him of the IAT work and outcome, but will wait for CDF direction as to whether he wishes to wait for the final report or he may require an interim note drafted.

**PSR(S)2, PSR(S)3**

I have caught up with the latest on <sup>PSR(sen)</sup> and will brief CDF tomorrow as well.

**PSR(S)2, PSR(S)3**

Cheers

PK

Request for  
comment on future  
potential force  
structure options

To: Colonel Kelly

From: WAATEA.SNO (LTCOL McKinstry)

Sent: Monday, 30 August 2010 6:59 a.m.

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Giddy gents

PSR(S)1

Out of scope content explaining the cultural and practical difficulties of partnering with the CRU on a separate operation not under inquiry.

I have also included the post op report for OBJ Burnham and the latest intsum. I do not think we will get much more fidelity on the BDA. The Incident Assessment Team has produced a report on this Op PSR(S)1 on the issue of CIVCAS claims. The report has found that there is no case to answer for TF81 here. One of the AH64's had a gun that was not firing true and if any CIVCAS has occurred it is here that any blame will probably lie.

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

This type of CIVCAS claim is not new and is a INS strategy to undermine ISAF operations. RC-N are holding a Shura with District Governor on this tomorrow with IJC representation as well to try and get further to the bottom of this. PSR(S)1

I have asked for a copy of the completed report from IJC and will forward this when received. PSR(S)1

The LAV Crews and the and the Shadows are currently up in BAMYAN. The shadows are conducting training in how to use the GMG for the Crib team.

Regards

Rian

Comment on ISAF investigation and strategy

