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Coast Guard International Engagement and Cooperation

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3 Areas of USCG Strategic External Engagement

1. International Training

2. National SAR Committee (NSARC) (Coast Guard oversight, chairmanship)

3. International SAR Coordination and Cooperation (International SAR Agreements; IMO/ICAO cooperation; Cospas-Sarsat Program)



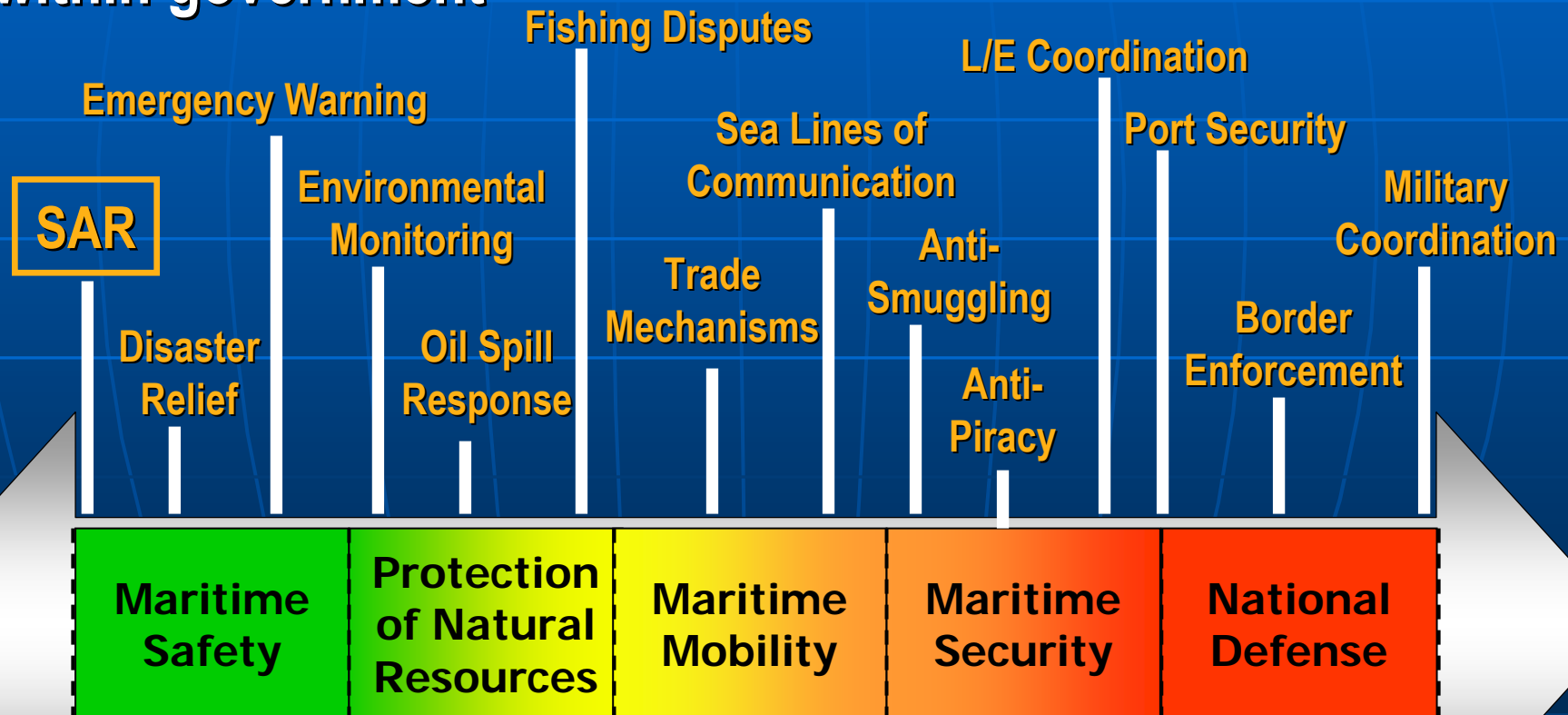
International Training

Many nations model their navy after USCG – Why?

- **80% of world's maritime services are more like us – identify with USCG not the military;**
- **USCG identifies seamlessly with both military/civilian organizations;**
- **Most host nations face maritime security threats not military defense threats; lends to USCG competencies – especially SAR.**

The Coast Guard is:

- Only USG military agency with LE authority to board, search, seize and arrest;
- World leader in maritime safety and security issues;
- COCOM's entrée into countries with strong military influence within government





USCG Exportable International Training (FY 2006)



COCOM # Nations # Courses # Students

CENTCOM	6	13	179
EUCOM	16	26	496
NORTHCOM	1	3	44
PACOM	11	16	234
SOUTHCOM	17	36	659
Total:	51	36	1612



National SAR Committee (NSARC)



1. NSARC is comprised of 6 federal agencies (DOT, DOC, DOI, DOD, NASA, FCC – adding DHS...)
2. Promotes *federal* interagency SAR coordination and cooperation to meet domestic and international commitments
3. NSARC mutually developed:
 - National SAR Plan (NSP) – being rewritten
 - National SAR Supplement (NSS)



National SAR Committee: How it all fits...



International Guidance:

1. Convention on Civil Aviation
2. International Convention on Maritime SAR
3. International Convention on Safety of Life at Sea (SOLAS)

International Aeronautical and Maritime SAR Manual

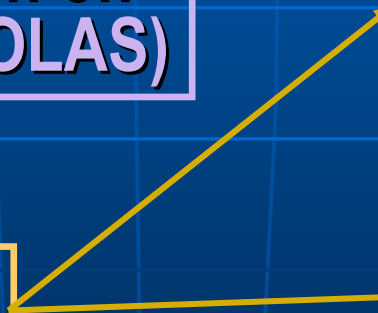
National SAR Plan

National SAR Supplement

National SAR Committee

Coast Guard
Addendum to NSS

Other Federal Agency
Addendums to NSS





International SAR Coordination and Cooperation

1. USCG has authority to negotiate SAR agreements with other nations:

- Bilateral SAR MOUs**
- Multilateral SAR MOUs**
- SAR MOUs formalize international SAR Regions; identify national SAR mission POCs**

2. U.S. participates in the Global SAR System; USCG represents U.S. interests in IMO



International Cooperation: Cospas-Sarsat Program



1. Satellite based distress alerting system

- U.S. C-S partner agencies:
NOAA, USCG, Air Force, NASA
- C-S program nations:
Russia, Canada, France, U.S.
- 40 participating nations

2. Extensive, humanitarian international cooperation

Cospas-Sarsat Participating Nations

Algeria
Argentina
Australia
Brazil
Chile
China
Cyprus
Denmark
Finland
Germany
Greece
Hong Kong
Indonesia
Italy
Japan
Korea



Netherlands
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Singapore
S. Africa
Spain
Sweden
Tunisia
Turkey
U.K.
Venezuela
Vietnam



Questions?

