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Gulf of Thailand Maritime Law Enforcement Interoperability...

June 23, 2014

CCMR conducts the sixth Gulf of Thailand Maritime Law Enforcement Interoperability Initiative Workshop in Chonburi, Thailand, 16 to 20 June, 2014.

A three-person team from CCMR's Maritime Security Program, working with the regional State Department representatives from the ISN Bureau for Export Control and Related Border Security Program (EXBS) and the INL Bureau, facilitated the Third Gulf of Thailand Maritime Law Enforcement Interoperability Initiative (GOTI) Experts' Workshop titled "Civil-Military Response to Maritime Transnational Crime and Emergencies" in Chonburi, Thailand, June 16 to 20th. This was the sixth in a series of operational and strategic-level workshops and commanders' conferences facilitated by CCMR since May 2012. GOTI involves the maritime law enforcement agencies and coast guards from Cambodia, Vietnam, Malaysia and Thailand. Modeled on previous sub-regional maritime security efforts in the Strait of Malacca and Sulu Sea tri-border area, the Gulf of Thailand program aims to improve capacity and interoperability among the maritime law enforcement agencies of Thailand, Malaysia, Cambodia and Vietnam, eventually including other regional nations as observers.

During this operational-level Experts Working Group workshop, twenty four representatives from Malaysia's Maritime Enforcement Agency (MMEA), Thailand's Royal Thai Maritime Police (RTMP), Cambodia's National Committee for Maritime Security (NCMS), and the Vietnamese Coast Guard (VCG) attended the week-long workshop. The participants received presentations on the ASEAN Defense Ministers Meeting Plus Counterterrorism Exercise (ADMM Plus CTX) conducted in Sentul, Indonesia last September, specifically the findings and recommendations on the TTX scenario involving a terrorist threat to a LNG tanker transiting the region; an update on the various transnational threats facing Southeast Asian nations, including human and wildlife trafficking; presentations on current developments and trends in maritime domain awareness; and barriers to and solutions for enhanced interagency and multinational information and intelligence sharing.

The participants from the four nations then gave detailed accounts of their nations' initial search and rescue (SAR) responses following the Malaysian Airlines MH370 tragedy, focusing on each nation's involvement (interoperability - coordination - communications), and how information was passed and updated among the various agencies and nations involved in the early days of the search.

CCMR then presented the participants with three vignettes to work on in their national groups before meeting in rotating bilateral sessions with their ASEAN counterparts. They then reported back their findings and recommendations in plenary session on how they would respond to each vignette. The groups identified the capabilities and limitations of current multinational coordination, and recommended possible solutions to be addressed at the next Commanders' Forum. At the last GOTI Commanders' Forum in Da Nang, Vietnam, January 14-16, 2014, Cambodia and Vietnam signed an agreement outlining operational cooperation and information sharing for maritime crime, search and rescue, safety, environmental protection, and "other areas...jointly decided upon." The tangible results achieved by the GOTI effort makes it an excellent model for regional cooperation in the maritime domain.

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