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Sent: Wednesday, 16 August 2017 2:30 PM
To: s 22; Sharpe, Sophie; s 22
Cc: s 22; s 22; s 22; s 22
Subject: RE: Media - allegations Khaled Sharrouf has been killed [SEC-PROTECTED]

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Thanks Pete

I'm going to get s 22 and s 22 to look after updating the TPs this afternoon in s 22 absence.

We'll see what else we can add in.

Thanks again,
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I thought previous pts, perhaps in the whole of govt tps, noted the CVE support available to non combatants

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We'll include these in the next version when we send it out.

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To: s 22
Cc: Sharpe, Sophie
Subject: RE: Media - allegations Khaled Sharrouf has been killed ~~[SEC-PROTECTED]~~

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Hi s 22

Thanks for this. For your info, there are the TPs the Offices are using:

- I am aware of the reports that Khaled Sharrouf has been killed.
- As has been previously stated, the Government's capacity to confirm reports of deaths in either Syria or Iraq is extremely limited – it is a war zone.

- But Australia will not mourn Khaled Sharrouf. He committed some of the most horrific crimes and waged war on Australians and our way of life.
- Khaled Sharrouf and his wife took their children to an active warzone, and exposed them to the barbaric practices of Islamic State. It is incomprehensible that any parent would involve their child in these atrocities.
- That is why we have consistently warned Australians that by becoming involved in conflicts overseas they are putting their own, and others, lives in danger. And if they manage to return, they will be subject to the full extent of the law.

Kind Regards,

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CONTINGENCY MEDIA TALKING POINTS:

Australian Foreign Fighter Killed

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Topic: Australian Foreign Fighter Killed

Version: Version 1 (1.30pm on 16 August 2017)

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Summary of media

ABC News Online is reporting that *"...the Federal Government has received credible information that Australia's most infamous terrorist, Khaled Sharrouf, has been killed in an air strike in the Middle East along with two of his young sons"*.

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Thanks for being so quick off the mark. Be ready for these points needing to change if and when the death is confirmed and the government wishes to confirm it.

Regards

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The Department acknowledges the traditional owners of country throughout Australia and their continuing connection to land, sea and community. We pay our respects to them and their cultures and to their elders both past and present.

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Attachments: 20170816 - Contingency Talking Points - Alleged death of Khaled Sharrouf.docx
Importance: High

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CONTINGENCY MEDIA TALKING POINTS:

Australian Foreign Fighter Killed

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Attachments: 20170817 - Contingency Talking Points - Alleged death of Khaled Sharrouf.docx

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Hi Tony

Soph asked that I send the latest Sharrouf talking points through.

We did a call around today (to ASIO, AFP and DFAT) to check if there were any updates required — and were advised there is nothing new to include.

So the attached TPs (as sent out yesterday) remain extant.

Have a great weekend,
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Subject: Updated talking points - allegations Khaled Sharrouf has been killed [SEC-PROTECTED]

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Good morning

Further to the below, please find attached updated Contingency Talking points reflecting today's media reports regarding Australian military involvement in the alleged killing of Khaled Sharrouf.

We will provide further updates as they become available.

Kind regards

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CONTINGENCY MEDIA TALKING POINTS:

Australian Foreign Fighter Killed

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Topic:

Version: Version 2 (10.20am on 17 August 2017)

Talking points

- I am aware of reports that Khaled Sharrouf and two of his sons have been killed.
- As we have said previously, the Government's capacity to confirm reports of deaths in either Syria or Iraq is extremely limited.
 - These places are warzones, with many ungoverned spaces.
- Khaled Sharrouf is well known to Australian authorities. He has been active in publicising and promoting ISIL through social media and has participated in terrorist acts.
- We have consistently warned Australians that by becoming involved in conflicts overseas they are putting their own, and others, lives in danger. And if they manage to return, they will be subject to the full extent of the law.

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If asked: can you confirm the reports the individual killed is Khaled Sharrouf Australian?

- The Government's capacity to confirm reports of deaths in either Syria or Iraq is limited, so I cannot comment on the validity of this report.

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If asked: did the Australian military play a role in the airstrike that allegedly killed Khaled Sharrouf?

- The Australian Government does not comment on specific intelligence matters.
- Australian intelligence agencies have a close working relationship with coalition partners.
- Australia works closely with the United States and other international partners to address the threat of global terrorism.
- Support for military operations and counter-terrorism are among our highest national security priorities.

If asked: Does the Australian Government take responsibility for the death of Sharrouf's two sons s 47F reportedly in the car with him?

- No government is responsible for the decision of any individual to take the young children to an active war zone.
- We have consistently warned Australians that by becoming involved in conflicts overseas they are putting their own, and others, lives in danger.
 - And if they manage to return, they will be subject to the full extent of the law.

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Summary of media

17 August 2017 – The Immigration Minister stated that *“there is a high likelihood, high level of certainty in terms of the death of Khaled Sharrouf”*.

17 August 2017 – The Australian reported that Australian intelligence agencies played a key role leading up to the planning of the US airstrike that is believed to have killed Khaled Sharrouf and his two sons.

16 August 2017 –ABC News Online is reporting that *“...the Federal Government has received credible information that Australia's most infamous terrorist, Khaled Sharrouf, has been killed in an air strike in the Middle East along with two of his young sons”*.

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Hi s 22

I just took a call from s 22 at DFAT. Some agencies are pulling together some lines to answer the if asked, 'Were we involved in his targeting?'. He's going to forward it to me s 22
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Cheers
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Good afternoon JOG and SOG members

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The attached talking points have been provided to the offices of the Prime Minister, Attorney-General, Foreign Minister and Minister Assisting the Prime Minister for Counter-Terrorism.

You may like to use these if you receive any media enquiries.

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 Subject: RE: QTB - Returning Foreign Fighters ~~(DLM - For Official Use Only)~~

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Please see below updates to the portion of the QTB relating to Sharrouf as updated as of five minutes ago.

REPORTED DEATH OF KHALED SHARROUF

I am aware of reports that Khaled Sharrouf and two of his sons have been killed.

- As we have said previously, the Government's capacity to confirm reports of deaths in either Syria or Iraq is extremely limited.
 - These places are warzones, with many ungoverned spaces.
- We will not comment on specific intelligence matters relating to whether the Australian military played a role in the airstrike that allegedly killed him.
- Support for military operations and counter-terrorism are among our highest national security priorities.
- Australian intelligence agencies have a close working relationship with coalition partners.

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Please find attached our FF QTB for your information.

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Subject: RE: Media enquiries - Sharrouf ~~[DLM-For Official Use Only]~~

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Hi all

Further to my earlier email, please see the AGO's statement below.

Grateful if you could continue to pass on any enquiries so that the AGO can respond directly with this statement. They have already responded to outstanding enquiries.

Statement from the Attorney-General:

"I am aware of the reports that Khaled Sharrouf has been killed.

"As has been previously stated, the Government's capacity to confirm reports of deaths in either Syria or Iraq is extremely limited – it is a war zone.

"But, if the reports are true, Australia will not mourn Khaled Sharrouf. He committed some of the most horrific crimes and waged war on Australians and our way of life.

"Khaled Sharrouf and his wife took their children to an active warzone, and exposed them to the barbaric practices of Islamic State.

"Australians will well remember the chilling images of Khaled Sharrouf encouraging his own children to hold aloft the severed heads of victims of ISIL. It is incomprehensible that any parent would behave in such a way.

"That is why we have consistently warned Australians that by becoming involved in conflicts overseas they are putting their own, and others, lives in danger. And if they manage to return, they will be subjected to the full extent of the law."

Kind regards

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From: Media AGD

Sent: Wednesday, 16 August 2017 3:06 PM

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From: s 22

Sent: Wednesday, 16 August 2017 2:25 PM

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Hi s 22

This is fine with us.

Thanks,
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Hi s 22

We are proposing the following response for the ABC inquiry below. Please let me know asap whether you are comfortable with it.

Many thanks

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Proposed response:

"The Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade is aware of reports that Khaled Sharrouf and two of his sons have been killed in Syria. The Australian Government's capacity to confirm reports of deaths in either Syria or Iraq is extremely limited – we cannot comment on the veracity of the media reports."

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From: s 47F
Sent: Wednesday, 16 August 2017 1:14 PM
To: Media <media@dfat.gov.au>
Subject: Khaled Sharrouf

Hello,

The ABC is reporting the Fed Govt has received credible information Khaled Sharrouf and his two sons have been killed in an airstrike.

Is there any statement you can please provide me with on this?

Thanks,

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