Northern California Area Maritime Security Committee

Meeting (unclassified) minutes

Pier 35 San Francisco, California

January 14, 2014

1. **Quorum Call**
   Mr. Paul Martin, USCG, called the meeting to order at 10:08 AM.
   Capt. Lynn Korwatch, Marine Exchange, confirmed that a quorum was present.

2. **Approval of Minutes – Capt. Lynn Korwatch**
   There were no corrections to the minutes of the meeting of October 15, 2013. A motion to accept the minutes as written was made and seconded. It passed without discussion or dissent.

3. **Comments by the Chair – Captain Stump**
   Capt. Stump advised the AMSC meeting is part of the maritime fabric in Bay Area. He said he attended a Counter Terrorism Executive Group meeting where the Boston bombing incident and lessons learned were discussed. Three points he presented to the AMSC committee were the importance of agency relationships, that involved agencies in an incident should be aligned in their communications, and that community involvement is very important. He advised that a letter went to the Pacific area commander to try to get exercise credit for America’s Cup. He said that Mr. Martin is working on the five year Area Maritime Security Plan which needs completion by March 31, 2014. A Control Systems Security Program (CSSP) flyer was distributed in the member packages. Stump said that the US Naval Institute published an article in January 2014 titled Time for a US Cyber Force. He also advised that an LNG forum is taking place January 29, 2014, in Seattle.

4. **Member Agency/Industry Reports**

   Mark Laherty, Navy Post Graduate School: advised that NPS began a series of experiments to enhance the capabilities of boarding team members to communicate data voice video from deep within the recesses of large vessels. Laherty advised they are supported in this effort by US Coast Guard Research and Development and the Defense Threat Reduction Agency. He advised their last experiments were conducted on the Admiral Callahan of MARAD fleet and the SS Jeremiah O’Brien.

   Catharine Hooper, Maritime Consultant: nothing to report.
Catharine Hooper reported for Lorenzo Looper that the passenger cruise terminal at pier 27 is slated to be open in mid/late September 2014.

Ed Jerebic, Hornblower Cruises: nothing to report

Jim Swindler, Golden Gate Ferry: advised they will be leading an exercise funded by the Federal Transit Administration. US Coast Guard and Cal Maritime will be participating.

Paul Londynsky, Matson Navigation: advised the Coast Guard helped tremendously with an emergency activation of a vessel in Seattle. He said that Matson is moving to former APL terminal Berth 63 in Oakland. National Maritime Security Advisory Committee (NMSAC) met and discussed cyber security and initiatives now in progress. A topic NMSAC will be addressing has to do with suspicious activity reporting.

Mr. Krick, APL: advised the Coast Guard announced the release of the Bennis Award.

Ed Hughlett, Ports America: Advised they sponsored an Active Shooter tabletop exercise. An important lesson learned was to have a schematic of your building and guard shack area.

Michelle Connolly, Chevron Shipping: advised they hosted Urban Shield at the Richmond Long wharf.

Dave Sullivan, Nor Cal: nothing to report

John Cinderey, SF Bar Pilots: nothing to report

Capt. Clark, Cal Maritime: two flyers were distributed for a Cal Maritime maritime security course and an e-navigation conference on April 3 and 4, 2014. He noted the Cal Maritime Leadership Symposium is Feb 19-20 in Sacramento. He advised Cal Maritime faculty and staff have arranged an outreach meeting with the Coast Guard Academy and the Coast Guard R&D Center in Connecticut in March to talk about research possibilities and expanding academic engagement.

Brenden Murphy, Cal EMA: advised that Mike Dayton left agency in December.

Capt. Korwatch, Marine Exchange: nothing to report

Paul Martin, Sector SF: advised that along with annual AMSC report is the AMSC of The Year award. He requested that bullets be submitted by the end of the month.

Capt. Stump, Coast Guard: advised that the Coast Guard intercepted a Panga that had 38 lbs. crystal methamphetamine on board.
Cindy Stewart, CBP: thanked the Coast Guard for their assistance in a joint enforcement boarding. She advised that the cruise ship terminal is progressing.

Hank Ryan, Maritime Administration: advised ships are available for training at low or no cost. Advised an earthquake response exercise will be conducted in Alaska in April.

Lee Brown, HIS: advised Clark Settles will be departing and taking a position in Washington D.C. They’ve been working with CBP and Coast Guard. He advised an outreach with the Marine Sanctuary Law Enforcement Technical Advisory Committee on indicators for Panga threats was conducted in December.

Lt. Powell, Contra Costa County: advised they had an incident with a drug lab on a boat in which two people and a dog perished. He said that all divers from PSGP funding have been trained up to open water. Infrastructure protection team based out of Motco continues to scan the piers and conduct security checks throughout the Eastbay area. He said they continue to focus on RADNUC training.

Marc Warren, Sacramento Sheriff: advised 2013 PSGP funds for NASBLA pursuit and stop training is being planned but location may change to San Pablo Bay due to low water levels. He said trainings are scheduled for spring and fall.

Sgt. Laval, SFPD: nothing to report

Dave Trombino, Lawrence Livermore Lab: advised they are working with the Neptune Coalition to make improvements for the next exercise based on the last Bay Ferry Exercise.

Sidonie Sansom, Port of San Francisco: thanked the region for their participation in America’s Cup. She said a Port reopening exercise was conducted. They had a tabletop exercise and a dive demo. SFPD provided the platform and the Coast Guard scuba divers participated. Second exercise was an oil spill exercise that the port held. They have received 2013 PSGP funding for training and exercise of all hazards.

Mike O’Brien, Port of Oakland: advised they are bringing on a new maritime director. He advised they worked closely with Oakland PD in Nov-Dec 2013 on trucker protest activities and side show and street racing in which Oakland PD issued several citations. He said clean air regulations is one of the main issues of the trucker protests. He noted that US Coast Guard Foundation Awards Banquet will be held April 17, 2014 at Fairmont Hotel.

Renee Domingo, Port of Oakland: advised phase one of domain awareness center was completed last summer. Vendor review of RFP’s for phase II has begun. Phase II is planned for
February with completion by May. Phase II is primarily related to the integration of systems into the city’s emergency operation center.

5. Work Group Reports:
UASI Coordination, Capt. Bruce Clark: advised that UASI PSGP funded safety and security training was held with City of Richmond Fire and City of Redwood City Fire. He said training included Maritime Emergency Response Boat operator training for people who have not had any training in a maritime environment including Best Practices. He advised that one key element carried back is that electronic navigation in new modern small boats is great but safe navigation skills need to be maintained without the use of them.

AMSP W/G Brief, Mr. Paul Martin: advised the Area Maritime Security Plan update has started. Thanked members of the Area Maritime Security Workgroup who assisted in conducting the review of applicable plans. He advised the report was given to and signed by the Captain. He said it is a new requirement that was placed on the committee in the fall of 2013.

MIST Subcommittee, Mr. O’Brien: advised their next meeting will discuss cyber threat reporting and how threat information will be shared between agencies and stakeholders. He advised NICRIC is providing a subject matter expert on cyber security at the next subcommittee meeting.

6. General Reports

A. Neptune Coalition Brief – LCDR Deon Scott: advised Neptune Coalition meets every other month. He advised the Neptune coalition agencies and the AMSC PRND subcommittee have engaged with DHS Domestic Nuclear Detection Office (DNDO) program assistance office to advance the state of the maritime PRND program. They met in November for a roundtable discussion to further the current program. They wanted to update and clarify procedures currently in place. Based on feedback from their discussion, they are looking to convert CONOPS previously presented to AMSC into a standard operating procedure. They are working to create job aids and wallet cards for quick use in the field by their partners. Their plan in the near future is to conduct multi-agency training events. They are working with Oakland PD in a joint Federal and State estuary cleanup project which includes removal of over 40 navigation hazards. They have been having regular meetings with CBP, TSA, ICE, BEST and continue to work together to counter PANGA threats coming up the coast. They are working on a joint boarding standard operating procedure.

B. Fiduciary Agent’s Report, Capt. Korwatch: advised that the Fiduciary Agent was able to get a blanket extension for the 2010 PSGP and hope the same will occur for the 2011 PSGP extension request. A criteria for getting an extension I that projects need to be underway. Closeouts for the 2008 and 2009 PSGP projects are continuing with more than half
completed. The proposal for funding for 2014 PSGP is 100 million dollars. It will most likely continue to be a nationwide program versus a regional program.

C. Security Breach Report, LTJG Ayure: advised that a Port Security Statistics handout was distributed. The type of activity was added. The majority of incidents listed on the handout were trespassing. If you have any questions or comments email Andres.a.ayure@uscg.mil.

7. **Public comment:** none

8. **Old Business:** none

9. **New Business:**

   a. Mr. Martin asked if the AMSC should charter a “Best Practices” workgroup to examine practices already in use and to recommend practices that should be adopted regionally. It was noted in the review of MSRAM data that there are large risk/vulnerability differences between facilities in the same vicinity conducting similar operations specifically in the Port of San Francisco. Martin said the question before the committee is do they want to recommend to the Capt. of the Port the establishment of a Best Practices work group or subcommittee to address some of these issues. Committee members gave their comments. Mr. Sullivan proposed a motion to establish a subcommittee. The motion was seconded. The motion was carried.

   b. Mr. Martin asked if the AMSC should add to the chartered Maritime Information System subcommittee a requirement to examine and make recommendations to port stakeholders on how to better harden their information technology systems against cyber-attacks. O’Brien recommended that a new subcommittee be created. Committee members gave their comments. A motion to establish a subcommittee was made, seconded, and passed.

   c. Capt. Clark requested that the AMSC committee members be prepared to discuss at the April AMSC meeting how to come up with a formal motion as to how to move forward looking at the regional plans and sustainability. Mr. Martin requested Capt. Clark prepare the topic for April’s agenda.

10. **Next Meeting:** 10:00 AM, April 15, 2014, Pier-35

11. **Adjournment** - Motion to adjourn: 1139