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Other media

reports allege that former ADF personnel, including retired Australian Major-General Mike Hindmarsh, have worked as mercenaries for the UAE.s 22(1)(a)(ii)

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Subject: RE: ICC and Australians in Yemen [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

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There has been media coverage of this issue in the past, mainly focused on Hindmarsh. Defence's suggested TPs have been pretty brief on this (see below TPs and background)

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Didn't ADF have some TPs on this issue? Not just in relation to Hindmarsh, but an equally vague accusation made somewhere?

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Has anyone heard about this previously?

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