



Advancing peace and security as one Pacific

Australia is committed to the peace and security aspirations outlined in the 2050 Strategy for the Blue Pacific Continent, guided by the strong foundations of the Boe and Biketawa Declarations.



We all want to live in a region, and a world, that is peaceful, stable and prosperous



For almost 70 years we have lived in a peaceful Pacific, depending on each other to build our respective capabilities to defend the region together. Our defence and police forces have a long history of working and training together, keeping the peace in local communities and across the region, and responding to the shared challenges of corruption, maritime security, and cybercrime

Transnational criminal threats, such as drug trafficking and organised crime are also evolving rapidly and no one Forum member can address these issues alone

The rule of law and administration of justice are crucial to the Pacific's long-term stability and economic growth. That's why Australia is investing in bolstering inclusive, secure, and accountable law and justice foundations

For 50 years, Australia's **Defence Cooperation Program** has supported the development of professional, capable, and sustainable Pacific security forces, and has improved the effectiveness of our collective responses to disaster relief operations

The **Pacific Maritime Security Program** is a multibillion-dollar investment over 30 years to increase national and regional maritime security capability, including 24 Guardian-class Patrol Boats and wrap around support, region-wide aerial surveillance, in-country expertise and technical assistance

The **Pacific Response Group**, established under the auspices of the South Pacific Defence Ministers' Meeting in October 2024 will enable more effective military co-deployments to crises in the region

Australia is backing the leadership of Pacific police through the **Pacific Policing Initiative** developed to boost the capability of Pacific island countries to meet law and order and internal security requirements, and to help each other in times of need

The **Royal Australian Navy** Pacific Support Vessel, ADV Reliant provides ongoing support, including humanitarian and disaster relief. In 2024, ADV Reliant delivered urgent medical supplies to Tarawa and 116,000L of fresh water to Pohnpei for drought relief

Under **Operation Render Safe**, the Australian Defence Force partners with Pacific security forces to safely dispose of unexploded ordnance and provide local training and education

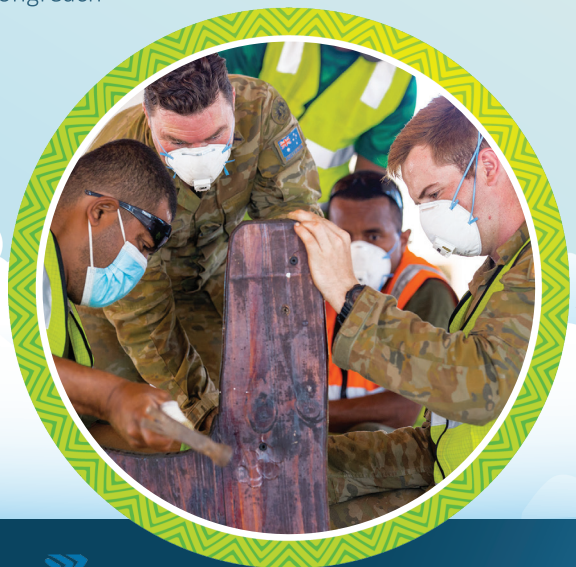
The Royal Australian Air Force provides logistics and transport support to **Fiji's UN Peacekeeping missions**, an important contribution to global peace and security

The **Pacific Security College** in Canberra partners with Pacific Islands Forum members to develop and implement their own national security strategies and policies

The **Pacific Fusion Centre** in Vanuatu, a collaborative effort with partner countries and regional organisations delivers strategic analysis and training to assist Pacific decision makers respond to regional security challenges

Our enhanced **bilateral partnerships**, including the Falepili Union with Tuvalu and our Bilateral Security Agreement with PNG, are frameworks for expanding and deepening our cooperation and responding to Pacific peace and security priorities across traditional and non-traditional domains

Australia is also making substantial **long-term investments** in Pacific security infrastructure and supporting our region's ability to exercise and train together such as in Regional Exercise Longreach



Cooperating across the region and collaborating with individual police and defence forces

HOW WE DELIVER

We work together to navigate our shared challenges and support our region's contribution to global peace and security

Photo: Australian Army and Republic of Fiji Military Forces personnel repair a church pew on Atata Island, Tonga, during Operation Tonga Assist 2022