

ADF Involvement in developing Protection of Civilian Standard Operating Procedures to assist Asia-Pacific Multinational Force Operations

The Multinational Force in the Asia-Pacific region is an alliance of countries who work together, in times of conflict and/or crisis, to support operations in our local region, especially humanitarian and disaster relief operations. ADF Gender Advisors played a leading role in the 2017 Multinational Force Standard Operating Procedure development program which was conducted in Thailand.

Key outcomes for 2017 included the development of the 'Protection of Civilians' chapter and 'Gender Annex' of the Standard Operating Procedures, which guide MNF operations in the Asia-Pacific Region. ADF personnel's expertise in WPS, gender and protection helped to shape Multinational Force operational frameworks and procedures; which will ensure that gender and protection is factored into all future MNF activities within the Asia-Pacific region.