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**Topic: CRISIS MANAGEMENT**

**Subject: Israel-Iran Conflict**

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## Talking Points

### *Reactions to US strikes on Iran's nuclear sites*

- *We have been clear that Iran's nuclear program is a threat to global peace and security, and the security of the region.*
- *We note the US President's statement that now is the time for peace.*
- *The security situation in the region is highly volatile.*
- *We continue to call for de-escalation, dialogue and diplomacy.*

### *Risk of regional escalation and safety of Australians*

- *Australia is deeply concerned about the deteriorating security situation in the Middle East which risks further destabilising an already volatile region.*
- *The safety of Australians is our priority.*
- *Australians in conflict-affected areas should monitor Smartraveller and follow the advice of local media and authorities.*
- *Australians in need of emergency consular assistance should contact the Consular Emergency Centre on +61 2 6261 3305.*

### *What does this mean for Australians wanting to depart the region?*

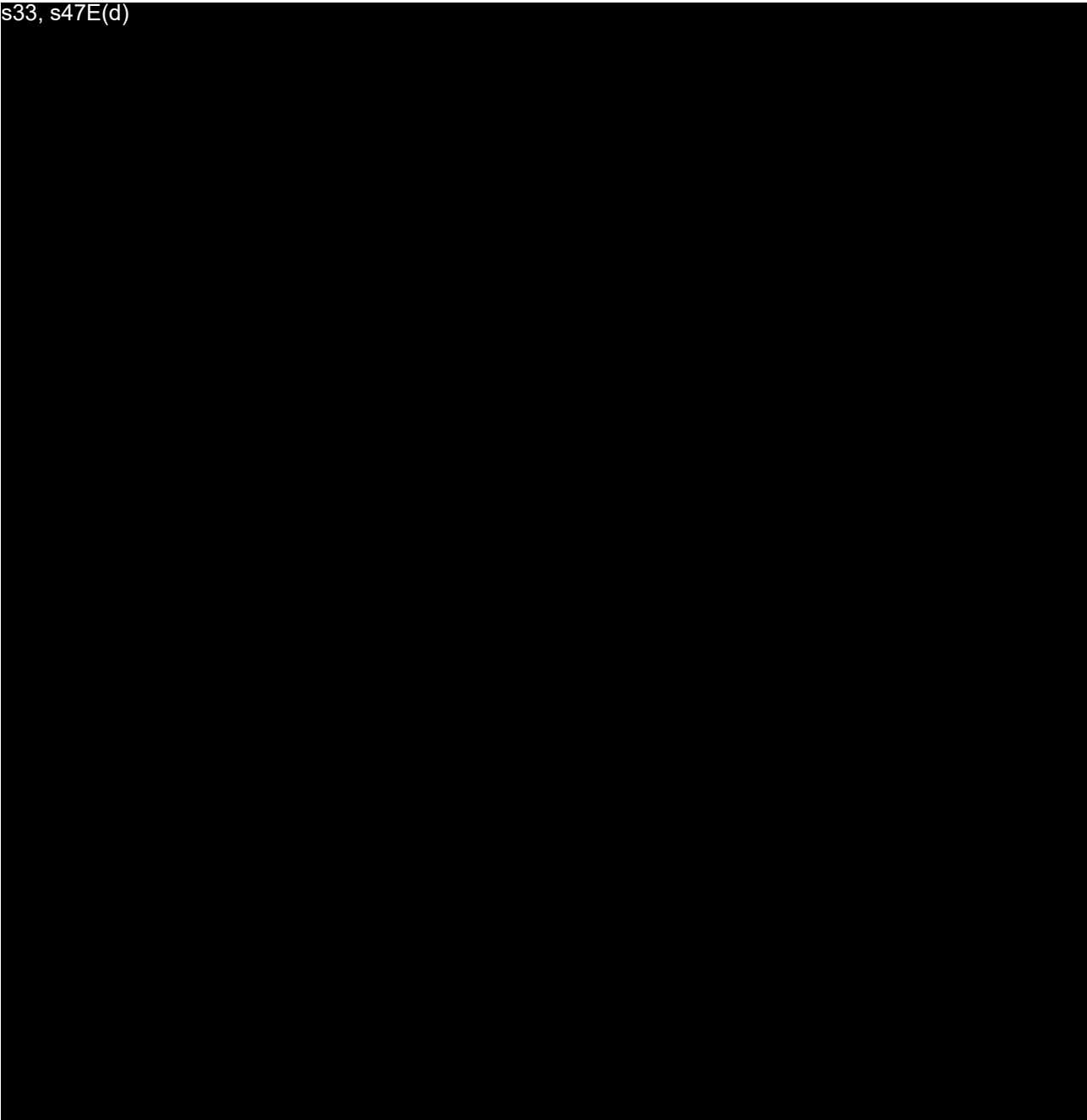
- *The situation on the ground is rapidly changing.*
- *As we have said, assisted departures are subject to conditions on the ground.*
- *The current security situation means land departures from Israel are paused.*
  - *We are in direct contact with Australians seeking to depart and will provide support to those who had expressed interest in doing so today.*
  - *Airspace remains closed.*

- *We urge Australians who want to leave Iran to do so now, if it is safe.*
  - *Those who are unable to or do not wish to leave, are advised to shelter in place.*
  - *If you can get to Azerbaijan, DFAT has consular staff at the border ready to support you.*
- *We continue to plan for assisted departures, when it is safe to do so.*

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## Background

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