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Talking Points

Reactions to Iran's strikes on US Bases in Iraq and Qatar

- *Australia condemns the attack on US air bases*
- *There are no reports of Australian casualties*
- *We again call for de-escalation, dialogue and diplomacy.*

Are Australian Defence Force members posted in the region safe?

- *The Australian Defence Force continually revises force protection measures for its personnel deployed across the Middle East region.*
- *For operational security reasons, Defence does not comment on the nature of force protection measures.*

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

- The situation on the ground is rapidly changing.

- *Subject to conditions on the ground, and airspace being open, we are continuing to plan for assisted departures from Israel by land and air*
 - *and are communicating these plans directly to Australians who wish to depart.*
 - *Plans may change at short notice.*
- *When we have those opportunities, we plan to take them.*
- 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.

Reactions to US strikes on Iran's nuclear sites

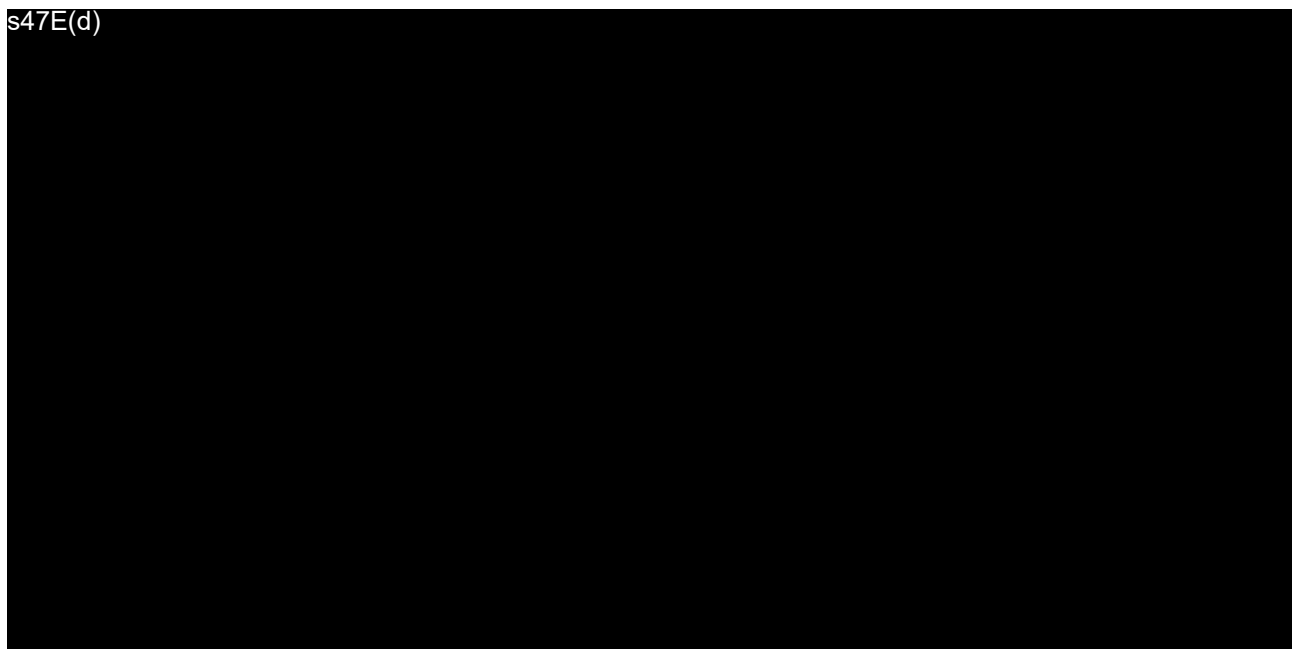
- *The US action was directed at specific sites central to Iran's nuclear program*
 - *we continue to call for de-escalation, dialogue and diplomacy.*
- We have been clear that Iran's nuclear program is a threat to global peace and security, and the security of the region.
- The security situation in the region *remains* highly volatile.

If pressed on US action: *We support action to prevent Iran from being allowed to get a nuclear weapon.*

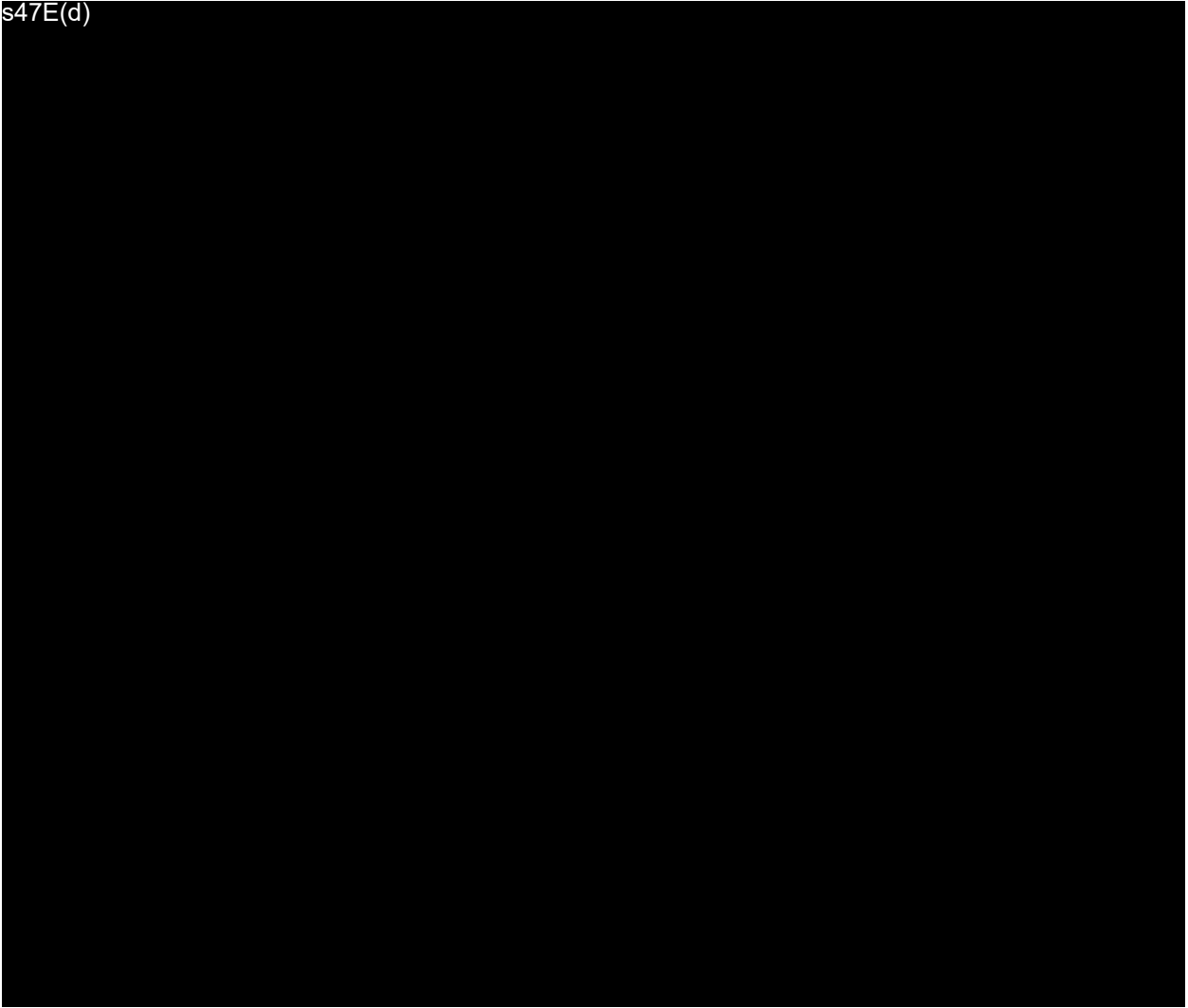
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