

**Proliferation Security Initiative 10th Anniversary:
Joint Statement on Enhancing Critical Interdiction Capabilities and
Practices**

PSI-endorsing States have committed to perform actions within their capabilities aimed at interdicting illicit shipments of weapons of mass destruction (WMD), their delivery systems and related materials. Since the PSI's inception in 2003, PSI-endorsing States have worked together to build and exercise such capabilities, exchange national best practices and ensure they are ready to prevent, or if that fails to stop, illicit WMD-related shipments.

PSI-endorsing States remain resolutely committed to working together to further improve the capabilities necessary to prohibit proliferation of WMD, their delivery systems and related materials. In 2011, leveraging the experience and expertise gained in PSI activities, several PSI Operational Experts Group (OEG) States met to consider more efficient ways to strengthen the Initiative's ability to develop critical capabilities. The resulting Critical Capabilities and Practices (CCP) effort is being undertaken to facilitate the sharing of tools and resources among all PSI partner States.

We, the undersigned PSI-endorsing States, consistent with our PSI commitments, authorities and resources, therefore:

- 1. Encourage** all PSI-endorsing States to examine and adopt measures to strengthen further their capabilities to prevent proliferation of WMD, their delivery systems, and related materials, especially by enhancing their abilities in the four CCP areas: (i) prohibition of proliferation (ii) searching and identifying illicit WMD-related cargoes, (iii) their seizure and disposal, and (iv) rapid decision-making in fast-moving interdiction cases;
- 2. Encourage** all PSI-endorsing States to share tools and resources in order to enhance critical capabilities and practices relevant to prevention and interdiction of illicit shipments of WMD, their delivery systems, and related materials;
- 3. Encourage** all PSI-endorsing States to participate in PSI capacity-building activities – as one of possible means of strengthening their capabilities; and
- 4. Encourage** all PSI-endorsing States to examine and identify ways to make PSI capacity-building activities a more effective and efficient means of sharing such tools and resources.

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Supporting states:

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| Afghanistan | Bulgaria | FYROM | Latvia | Norway | Slovenia |
| Albania | Canada | Georgia | Liechtenstein | Panama | Spain |
| Andorra | Chile | Germany | Lithuania | Paraguay | Sri Lanka |
| Antigua and Barbuda | Colombia | Greece | Luxembourg | Philippines | Sweden |
| Argentina | Croatia | Honduras | Malta | Poland | Switzerland |
| Armenia | Cyprus | Hungary | Marshall Islands | Portugal | Thailand |
| Australia | Czech Republic | Ireland | Moldova | Republic of Korea | Turkey |
| Austria | Denmark | Israel | Mongolia | Romania | Ukraine |
| Bahrain | El Salvador | Italy | Montenegro | Samoa | United Arab Emirates |
| Belarus | Estonia | Japan | Morroco | Serbia | United Kingdon |
| Belgium | Finland | Kazakhstan | Netherlands | Singapore | United States |
| Bosnia and Herzegovina | France | Kuwait | New Zealand | Slovakia | |