

Best Practice: Managing Domestic Ferry Passenger Terminals



Category:	Access control
Location:	Lae, Papua New Guinea
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Description: The ISPS facility at the Port of Lae is used by international ships and domestic ferries. The domestic passenger terminal is fenced off from the ISPS area of the facility. A walkway was created by building a double chain link fence that extends to within around 30 meters of the domestic ferry landing. Passengers must show a ticket or boarding pass prior to entering the domestic terminal. Additional security personnel are posted during domestic ferry vessel operations.

Discussion: Many small to medium size ports have limited space and are typically used by both international and domestic vessels. This is a very effective way to manage domestic ferry passengers and vessels at multi-use ISPS compliant facilities.

Potential Down-side: No potential downside is identified.

Conclusion: This is a novel solution to a difficult problem; meeting the ISPS requirement for access control without eliminating a critical service in this country.

Cost: The costs include installation of fencing, setting aside a dedicated area for passengers (if not already existing), hiring additional security personnel during operations and instituting a boarding pass/ticketing system.