

# Risk Management & Emergency Response Planning

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# Mitigating the Risk of Globalization

## INTRODUCTION

#### Hill & Associates

- 1. A risk mitigation firm founded in Hong Kong in 1992 that assists clients identify and assess the risks to which their personnel and operations may be vulnerable.
- 2. H&A then offers solutions to mitigate those risks through 4 core service lines:-
  - <u>Risk Analysis</u> which includes our Country Risk Reporting
  - <u>Security Risk Management</u> protection of people and assets
  - <u>Commercial Enquiries</u> Proactive services such as Due Diligence, PES & VA
  - Fraud Prevention & Integrity Risk Fraud and Brand Protection enquiries.
- 3. Offices in 9 countries across the Asia-Pacific Region
- 4. Acquired by G4s in 2009

#### PT Hill Konsultan Indonesia (HKI)

- 1. The Indonesian subsidiary of H&A, now in our 19th Year of operation having been established in 1996.
- 2. HKI is a 24 x 7 operation with 50 full-time employees
- 3. Full service offering





#### AIMS & OBJECTIVES

This presentation **AIMS** to discuss and inform on the following:

- 1. Understanding a Crisis Threats and Risks
- 2. Responding to a Crisis Emergency Response Planning

Our **OBJECTIVE** is to support organisations improve their understanding of Risks, Risk Treatment Options, Crisis Management Planning and Emergency Preparedness.





# Three Actual & Typical Case Examples

- Likely Scenarios
- Chosen to Give Exposure to Emergency Response
- Crisis Management Visibility



# CASE STUDY ONE Mitigating the Risk of Globalization

## **POLITICAL CRISIS IN INDONESIA – MAY 1998**





# Incident – 'A Perfect Storm'

•Triggered by the Asian Financial Crisis

•Drop in the currency value combined with an unpopular President who happened to be overseas at the time led to a Civil Unrest situation and ultimately the overthrow of President Suharto.

•Burning and looting of property, the rape and killing of innocent people – targeting minority groups

•Embassy Advisories - Resulted in the evacuation of the expatriate population



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## **POLITICAL CRISIS IN INDONESIA – MAY 1998**

# **Emergency Response**

## **Risk Intelligence**

Prior to, during and after the event H&A provided ongoing security bulletins and risk assessments via phone & email from our 24/7 Operations Control Room.

## **Crisis Management**

Prior to incident having evacuation & crisis plans in place which for those that had them were then activated and fully implemented.

## **Personal & Property Protection**

Having access to Security Escorts to move people to Safe Havens & Evacuation Points and guards to secure company facilities/residences

## **Travel Facilitation**

Ability to manage logistics:-

- Transport for local movements.
- Chartered aircraft to fly in and evacuate clients.
- Coordination with Halim airport authorities for movement of charter flights.



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## POLITICAL CRISIS IN INDONESIA – MAY 1998

# **Benefits of Preparedness**

- 1. Employees extracted & safely evacuated
- 2. Property protected
- 3. Missing persons located
- 4. Injured persons transferred to medical facilities
- 5. Better placed to return to and resume normal business
- 6. Increased employee confidence in their company's Duty of Care for staff welfare







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#### NATURAL DISASTER TSUNAMI – DEC 2004



# Incident

- •Tsunami off Sumatra impacted multiple locations across SE Asia
- •Southern Thailand holiday destinations severely impacted
- •Many clients had employees on Xmas vacation at these locations – many lost their lives
- •Affected areas experienced huge infrastructure damage





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#### NATURAL DISASTER TSUNAMI – DEC 2004

# **Emergency Response**

#### **Deploy Resources**

H&A Personnel from our regional office network arrived in Phuket, Thailand within 24hrs of the Tsunami and remained for 9 days

## **Situations Often Change**

# Immediate Crisis Response

Locating and coordinating the evacuation of survivors

After 48hrs

Revised focus to locate and identify deceased

## After 72hrs

Facilitating, assisting and providing comfort to families searching for relatives

#### **Risk Intelligence Feed**

From incident, through response and recovery process have an intelligence feed providing situation updates as well as 'Ground Trust' information



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## NATURAL DISASTER TSUNAMI – DEC 2004

## **Emergency Response Tasks**

- 1. Obtain personal data of missing persons
- 2. Conducted immigration & website checks
- 3. Established operational case folders
- 4. Appraised Embassies of the status of missing persons
- 5. Deployed teams to manually check:
  - Crisis Response Centers
  - Hospitals
  - Temporary Morgues
  - Embassy Officials
  - Thai Military / Police Contacts
- 6. Utilise regional resources for a coordinated effort



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#### EARTHQUAKE IN PADANG – SEP 2009





# Incident

- 1. H&A 24/7 Operations Control Room received notification of a major 7.6 magnitude earthquake moments after it struck
- 2. No information was forthcoming from Padang as to the situation as all communications were down.
- 3. The availability of aircraft became scarce as scheduled commercial flights were put on hold.



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#### EARTHQUAKE IN PADANG – SEP 2009

# **Emergency Response**

#### **Operations Centre**

Established a specific to incident 24/7 Operations Centre to coordinate the ground resources & share information between 3<sup>rd</sup> parties.

#### **Deployed Personnel**

Within 24hrs H&A personnel were on the ground using a chartered aircraft assessing the situation & seeking out 51 missing client employees to establish their status & arrange their safe return. **Evacuation and Repatriation** 

H&A identified and chartered an aircraft to take clients to the disaster zone. Helped with the repatriation of the deceased to Medan and Jakarta and associated logistics.

#### **Situation Updates**

Regular situation updates were sent to relevant clients

#### **Missing Persons**

During the period all 51 missing employees were accounted for.



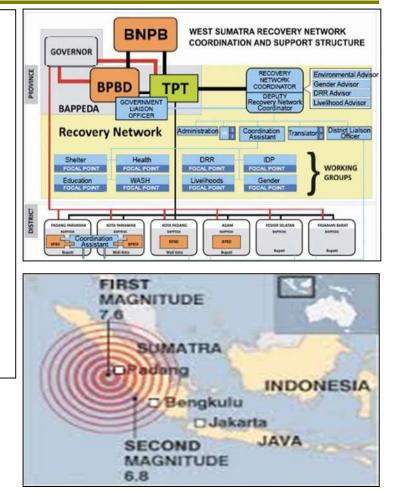
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## SUGESTED LAYERED RESPONSE APPROACH AT TIMES OF CRISIS

#### Strategic Level: HQ Corporate level Command and Control

**Tactical Level: Country Office 24/7** Intelligence Feeds via Email, SMS and direct calling, local logistics, 3<sup>rd</sup> party coordination

**Operational Level: Site of Incident** Emergency Response Team coordination with host nation first responders to include police and military.





# 10 Key Errors Mitigating the Risk of Globalization

## **COMMON ERRORS IN EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS**

- 1. Lack of information upon which to make informed decisions
- 2. No formal Crisis Management Team to make decisions and action tasks
- 3. No Emergency Response Plans for such a scenario & failing to have them socialized and rehearsed.
- 4. Not including National staff in the plan to address their concerns & help facilitate a smooth handover, evacuation and return
- 5. No communications system to advise employees on what to do and keep them informed.
- 6. No updated contact database of all employees details.
- 7. To much reliance on traditional relationships with the security forces for a response and other 3<sup>rd</sup> parties for transport, etc.
- 8. No plans to secure company assets after a 'shut-down'
- 9. Not having prior arrangements in place at the destination to receive evacuees
- 10.Not knowing when its safe to return.





# Emergency Response Planning





# What is within our control?





- Even before we tackle the Incident or Crisis we introduce more variables
- A bow wave of confusing guidance material is available:
  - Emergency Response Plan
  - Crisis Management Plan
- To give ourselves a chance of effective response we need to first have a clear understanding of the terms used and their meaning...







- We often move into the planning stage without identifying the key Threats and related Risks...
- If we take time to complete a Threat Assessment and Security Vulnerability Risk Assessment, we can identify not only the Threats and Risks but our current weakness in preparation to respond.







- Terrorism
- Crime
- Civil Unrest
- Protest
- Demo
- Power Failure
- Supplier Failure
- etc



# If you can't explain it **simply**, you don't understand it well enough.

- Albert Einstein



# Too Much Information + Too Little Time + Pressure at time of a Incident or Crisis

# may produce or contribute to <u>bad decisions</u>





#### THREATS & RISKS

# What Threats & Risks are we facing?







#### UNDERSTANDING THE THREATS AND RISKS

# Civil Unrest / Terrorism / Natural Disaster

Are these are only Threats and Risks? - Clearly it is not that simple.

Every organisation is different and will attract specific to location, activity and operations Threats and Risks.

How do we establish what Threats and Risks we are facing? The solution is to conduct a:

• Threat Assessment **(TA)** to identify your specific threats Followed by:

• Security Vulnerability Risk Assessment **(SVRA)** to identify the related Risks to these threats and effectiveness of current mitigation measures in place





### UNDERSTANDING THREAT ASSESSMENTS (TA) & SECURITY VULNERABILITY RISK ASSESSMENTS (SVRA)

These assessments will provide a depth understanding of the Threats, Risks and current Gaps in an organisations Crisis Management Preparedness and related Response provision.

The product of these two assessments will provide a platform to produce:

Further Risk Mitigation Measures
Security Management Plan (SMP)
Crisis Management Plan (CMP)





#### THE CRISIS MANAGEMENT PLAN (CMP)

- Production of the CMP brings the future to the present so we can plan for the likely crisis we will face – link to the findings of the TA and SVRA.
- The desired outcomes from the **CMP** should be to protect:
  - **People –** Staff, Customers and Clients
  - Assets Physical & Intangible (Reputation, Brand name etc...)
  - Information all Confidential information

If these three desired outcomes are achieved there is a high probability that the business will recover successfully from an incident or crisis.



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## THE CRISIS MANAGEMENT PLAN (CMP)

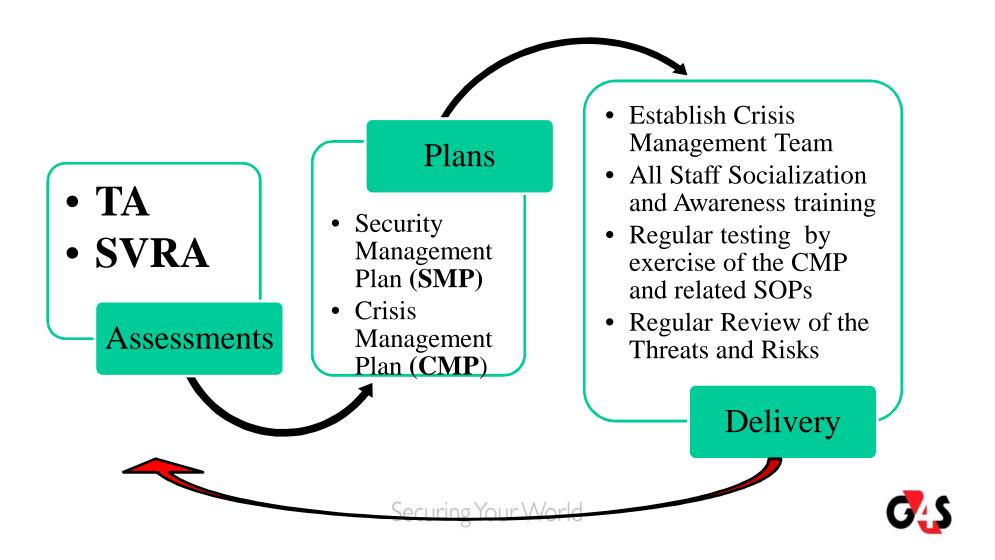
Typical Macro Headings in the CMP

- Corporate Policy Statement
- TA and SVRA by location and activity
- Crisis Management Team
- Specific Roles and Responsibilities
- Crisis Management Centre
- Sections on Response Plan to each identified Threat / Risk
- Communications Plan
- Media Plan
- Recovery Plan link Business Continuity Plan



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#### **CRISIS MANAGEMENT PLAN - PRODUCTION – CYCLIC REVIEW**



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## THE CRISIS MANAGEMENT PLAN (CMP)

# Impact of NOT having a CMP at time on Incident or Crisis:

- Surprise leading to Shock and then Panic
- Insufficient information when you need it
- Events outpace Response
- Escalating flow of events leading from lack of Response
- Loss of Control
- Intense scrutiny from the outside / Media
- Development of siege mentality
- Disruption of regular decision making process
- Affected decision makers focus on short term
   planning/decisions/actions
- Chaos



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## THE CRISIS MANAGEMENT PLAN (CMP)

A good CMP that is well socialised, regularly reviewed and tested by exercise will, at time of Incident or Crisis:

- Give the Crisis Management Team confidence to respond
- Define specific tasks and ownership of action
- Strike balance between too much and too little detail
- Co-ordinate the response from all stakeholders
- Allow for Critical decisions to be made in advance giving you TIME to manage the response
- Identify required resources and availability



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## THE CRISIS MANAGEMENT CENTRE (CMC)

# A good CMC should attract:

- Sufficient space for the CMT to operate
- Communications equipment with options; Mobile, LL, Satellite, Tracking for mobile assets, Radio Network – all regularly tested
- Controlled access
- Creature comforts-avoid stress/fatigue of CMT
- Hard copy of; CMP and key company documentation
- Alternate site or the ability to relocate at short notice

All staff should be aware of this facility as part of their Induction briefing on Crisis Management





# The Media







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## THE MEDIA

# Some Common Problems – they can:

- Get information before you
- Raise the level of coverage from local to national to international, rapidly
- Cause you to divert from your primary focus, tie up resources
- Create concern and/or panic amongst staff
- Speculate, report rumors and lay blame

# Some Benefits of Good Media Relations:

- Can be a source of information
- Act as a means of delivering information
- Reassure the public and staff
- Present and Support your point of view



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## THE MEDIA

The Importance of Media Relations:

- Appoint sole media representative
- Have a clear policy on media releases
- Conduct regular media briefings
- Combat rumour and prevent speculation early
- Develop good media relations
- Get media training



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#### THE MEDIA

# Media Considerations at time of Incident:

- Establish the incident facts early
- Be the first to break the news
- Tell the truth don't create another crisis by lying
- Ensure legal risk is accurately assessed
- Present a "Human" face
- Be humble (appropriate remorse)
- Remember ALL stakeholders esp. employees!



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#### TOP FAILINGS – EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS AND CRISIS MANAGEMENT PLANS

Drawing on our experience from conducting assessment and review of Emergency Preparedness and Crisis Management Plans, we would now like to bring you the **Top recurring failings** - The things we consistently find wrong.

Hoping this part of the presentation will reveal some of the common errors made and areas you may wish to review in your own plans.

Time for this presentation is limited, so we only have time to expose the headline issues and solutions. Hill & Assoc would be pleased to give more detailed and informed briefing for any or all of these failings.





#### Failing 1

No Threat or Security Vulnerability Risk Assessments



#### Solution

Employ the services of suitably qualified professionals to conduct independent assessments

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#### Failing 2

Ownership of the Emergency Response and Crisis Management Plans:

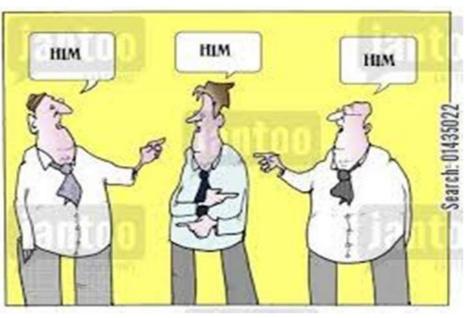
- Corporate?
- Regional?
- Country?
- Location Specific?
- Person in Charge?

#### Solution

**Clear Senior Management directive** 

Change of company structure should trigger review of ownership New staff = Induction training to include Crisis Management







Failing 3

Poor Communications and Socialization of the Crisis Management Plan



#### Solution

All staff should attract Crisis Response Training in their Induction and thereafter at least annually.

Employ suitably qualified professionals to conduct table top exercises for key personnel. Test the Plan not Individuals.

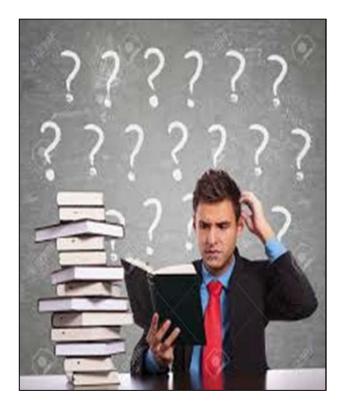
Use company publications and notice-boards to raise awareness of Crisis Response Plans





#### Failing 4

Plans with far too much detail. Crisis Management Plans are the **Response** Business Continuity Plans are the **Recovery** 



#### Solution

Think 'First Hour Actions' – the immediate response.

This immediate response will give you time to capture all key staff and information to plan for further response activity.





# FIRST HOUR ACTIONS – AN EXAMPLE

# **BOMB THREAT**

- **Confirm** the information
- **Clear** the area of all personnel
- **Cordon** the area to deny re-entry
- **Control** restrict movement to First Responders
- Communications
  - Staff assurance message
  - Media lines
- Activate the Search Plan from your Security
   Management Plan





#### Failing 5

 Key stakeholders involved in crisis response working to their own SOPs and plans



#### Solution

Crisis response for the key stakeholders of; Outsourced Security Providers, Facilities Management, Vendors and Suppliers etc should be factored into the CMP.





#### Failing 6

Crisis Management Plans that are never tested or reviewed



#### **Solution**

Have a intelligence feed in place to ensure you capture news on evolving current or new Threats and Risks.

The CMP should identify clear ownership of the SOPs, Plans, the

#### Training Plan and Cycle for Review.

Establish a regular training cycle to put all key staff through likely Incident and Crisis scenarios, the CMP and their role in that Plan.





#### Failing 7

Link to Failing 6 – The Crisis Management Centre (CMC) or designated Operations Room is poorly equipped and never tested until *'live'* incident or crisis when failings are found.....too late!



#### **Solution**

The CMC should attract a sustainable funding stream to cover all technical equipment, maintenance schedules, replacement cycle, operators and their training.





#### Failing 8

Failing to include all departments / key stakeholders in the preparation and discussion of Crisis Management Plans.

# Group Discussion



#### Solution

- All Crisis Management Planning and related activity requires Senior Management support
- All departments / key stakeholders should be included in the formative stages of the plan.
- The Union should be informed to demonstrate Duty of Care and to allow them opportunity to contribute.





#### **SUMMARY**

Critical Pathway for better Emergency Preparedness and Crisis Management Planning – Four Pillars;

- **1. TA & SVRA** know the threats, the risks and your limitations before you start preparing plans
- **2. Crisis Management Plans to be simple** *First Hour Actions CMP v BCP*
- 3. Ownership of Plans their production, review and testing
- 4. Communications & Training link item 3 and All Staff



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#### **RISK = DANGER & OPPORTUNITY**

The Chinese character for Risk (Wei Chi) represents a double edged sword, one of Danger & Opportunity.



Those who identify and treat their Risks will always be one step ahead of their competitors and able to seize opportunity in response to and immediately following an incident or crisis.

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# Thank You For Your Attention

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