



## Exercise – Risk Management and Disaster Response



# Agenda

- I. Description of the Exercise and Objectives
- II. Scenario
- III. Provide Injects and Group Reports
- IV. Findings Review

# Exercise Overview

## Objectives:

- Understand interconnected nature of risk management in seaports; and
- Identify potential areas of concern for both public agencies and port operators.

## Methodology:

- Divide into groups;
- The scenario will be followed by a series of questions;
- Work in groups to address the questions; and
- Appoint a spokesperson to provide a brief out.

# Scenario

- You are the operator or regulator of Port Hudson. The port is:
  - Operated by a private company with a multi-year contract;
  - A multi-functional port that has a high volume of cruise traffic as well as some containerized cargo, which is largely transshipped;
  - Confronting regular security challenges; and
  - Vulnerable to annual hurricane season.



# Inject

- In preparation for the upcoming hurricane season, the management of Port Hudson has called a meeting to begin the planning process for the port.
- As part of the process, the management wants to focus on the recovery of services and port operations as well as the response to any particular hurricanes.
- The port manager has tasked you with updating the existing plan to reflect their focus.
- Further, the port manager wants to make sure that security is minimally compromised and quickly restored.
- Specific considerations that need to be added to the plan include:
  - Key operations that need to be recovered;
  - Strategies and solutions to minimize downtime;
  - Resource availability considerations and how to address them; and
  - Considerations for alternative operations for the near term.

# Questions

- Identify potential strategies to improve security in the port to reduce trafficking problems. These may be physical, operational, or cyber.
  - What is the role of the port operator?
    - What functions within the port should be included in planning?
    - Other stakeholders?
  - What is the role of the government? What about regional support?
  - What can be done to make the port more resilient to disruptions?
  - How are the following determined?
    - Key operations that need to be recovered;
    - Strategies and solutions to minimize downtime;
    - Resource availability considerations and how to address them; and
    - Considerations for alternative operations for the near term.