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U.S. PACIFIC COMMAND INTERNATIONAL MILITARY LAW AND OPERATIONS CONFERENCE

37th ANNUAL CONFERENCE | 03-06 AUGUST 2026 | MANDARIN ORIENTAL HOTEL | KUALA LUMPUR, MALAYSIA

Sunday, 2 August, 2026

1200-1800 MILOPS Conference Registration Collect Security Badge and Welcome Packet

Monday, 3 August, 2026

0700-0730 MILOPS Conference Registration Collect Security Badge and Welcome Packet

0800-0815 MILOPS Introduction Captain Dustin Wallace, SJA US PACOM

0815-0830 Open Keynote: Welcome to Malaysia The Honorable Dato' Seri Mohamed Khaled Nordin
Malaysian Minister of Defence

0830-0900 Keynote: ASEAN Centrality in the Context of Maintaining Peace, Security and Prosperity in the Indo-Pacific The Honorable Dr. Kao Kim Hourn,
Secretary-General of the Association of Southeast

0900-0930 Philippine Perspectives on Regional Security Threats The Honorable Gilberto Teodoro Jr.,

0930-1000 The Strategy of the Commander of U.S. Pacific Command: Prevail Forward Admiral Samuel Paparo,
Commander US PACOM

1000-1045 MILOPS Photo and Morning Tea

1045-1115 Arms Control and International Security The Honorable Thomas G. DiNanno, Under Secretary
of State for Arms Control and International Security,
U.S. State Department

1115-1145 Comprehensive Strategic Partnerships in the Indo-Pacific The Honorable Michael G. DeSombre, Assistant
Secretary Bureau of East Asian and Pacific Affairs,
U.S. State Department

1145-1215 Security Perspectives of Malaysia General Tan Sri Dato' Seri Haji Malek Razak Bin
Sulaiman, Chief of Defence Force, Malaysia

1215-1330 Provided Buffet Lunch MILOPS participants

1330-1400 Partners in Prosperity The Honorable Kevin Kim, U.S. Ambassador to ASEAN

1400-1500 Panel: Operational Commanders: Cooperation and Interoperability for Security, Freedom and Prosperity for All across the Indo-Pacific
Moderator: CMDR Jacqueline Swinton, US PACOM
Vice Admiral Justin Jones, Chief of Joint Operations, Australian Defence Force
Vice Admiral Aaron Beng, Chief of Defence Force, Singapore Armed Forces
Lieutenant General Dato' Tengku Muhammad Fauzi bin Tengku Ibrahim, Joint Forces Commander, Malaysian Armed Forces
Rear Admiral Weniel A. Azcuna, Commander of the Coast Guard Fleet, Philippines Coast Guard

1500-1530 Afternoon Tea

1530-1600 How to avoid War in the Indo Pacific Dr. Collin Koh Swee Lean, S. Rajaratnam School of
International Legal Studies, Singapore

1900-2100 Welcome MILOPS Reception Conference Room Foyer— Civilian Cocktail attire

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Tuesday, 4 August, 2026

0830-0900 The Criticality of Maritime Domain Awareness: Understanding the Regional Maritime Picture Mr. Greg Poling,
Centre for Strategic and International Studies, Asia Maritime Transparency Initiative

0900-0930 Why Should We Care About the Indo-Pacific? Mr. Ray Powell,
Director SeaLight

0930-1000 Regional Maritime Dynamics in the Indo-Pacific Ms. Jen Parker,
UNSW Canberra, National Security Law College, Australian National University

1000-1030 Morning Tea

1030-1200 Keynote Panel:
10th Anniversary of the 2016 Unanimous, Final and Binding South China Sea Arbitral Tribunal Award

Moderator: Mr. Robert B. Harris, U.S. State Department
Mr. Larry Martin, U.S. Senior Counsel for the South China Sea Arbitration
Professor Jay Batongbacal, University of the Philippines College of Law

1200-1230 Contested Logistics in the Indo-Pacific Mr. Jose Cora, General Counsel,
Defense Logistics Agency

1230-1330 Provided Buffet Lunch MILOPS participants

1330-1500 Panel : Coast Guard Cooperation: Maritime Security across the Indo-Pacific Moderator:
CDR Karl Mueller, U.S. Coast Guard

First Admiral, Vincent Rajamony, Deputy Director Malaysia Maritime Enforcement Agency
First Admiral Askari, Director for Cooperation, Indonesia Coast Guard, Bakamla
Rear Admiral Jay Tarriela, Commander– West Philippine Sea Transparency Group, Philippines Coast Guard

1500-1530 Afternoon Tea

1530-1700 Panel:
Countering Transnational Crime at Sea Moderator:
CAPT George Howell, USN,
Joint Interagency Task Force West

Mr. Charlie Brown, United Against Nuclear Iran (Fuel Smuggling in East Asia)
Brigadier General Emmanuel Boiteau, French Armed Forces (Counter-Narcotics)
Mr. Allan Rahari, Director Pacific Islands Forum Fisheries Agency (Illegal Unregulated Unreported Fishing)
First Admiral (M) Sharef Steve MacQueen bin Abdullah, Director Maritime Criminal Investigation Division,
Malaysia Maritime Enforcement Agency

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Wednesday, 5 August, 2026

0830-0900	Legal Support across Full Spectrum Operations	The Honorable Earl Matthews, General Counsel, U.S. Department of War
0900-0930	Cultural Warfare and the Plundering of Marine Resources	Dr. Ian Ralby, Maritime Expert, President, Auxilium Worldwide
0930-1000	Information Operations, Digital Authoritarianism and the Rule of Law	Ms. Athena Tong, University Tokyo and Pacific Forum
1000-1030	Morning Tea	
1030-1145	Panel: The Future Security of the Polar Regions	Moderator: Professor Kate Friedman, Ted Stevens Centre for Arctic Security Studies Dr. Elizabeth Buchanan, Australian Strategic Policy Institute Professor Anne Marie Brady, University of Canterbury, New Zealand Lieutenant General Derek Macaulay, Canada's Senior Military Representative to the Indo-Pacific
1145-1230	TJAG Panel: Advancing Indo-Pacific Security- The U.S. JAG Role in Multi-Domain Deterrence	Moderator: CDR Timothy Boyle, U.S. Seventh Fleet Major General David J. Bligh, The Judge Advocate General U.S. Navy Major General Bobby Christine, The Judge Advocate General U.S. Army Major General Christopher Tolar, Staff Judge Advocate to the Commandant of the Marine Corps
1230-1330	Provided Buffet Lunch	MILOPS participants
1330-1500	Pacific Island Security and Prosperity: Perspectives of the 'Big Ocean States'	Moderator: Dame Meg Taylor, Papua New Guinea, Former Secretary- General Pacific Island Forum and Member of Pacific Island Voice The Honorable Jennifer S. Olegieril, Minister of Justice, Palau The Honorable T.H. Leonito Bacalando Jr. Secretary at the Department of Justice and Attorney General, Micronesia Mr. Douveri Henao, Geopolitical Analyst and Foreign Policy Advisor, Papua New Guinea Mr. Benedict Philip, Lead Analyst, Office of the National Security Advisor, Vanuatu
1500-1530	Afternoon Tea	
1530-1600	Modern Application of the Geneva Conventions	Mr. Sylvain Vite, Senior Legal Advisor, International Committee of the Red Cross
1600-1630	Supply Chain Resilience and Cross-Border Strategies	Ms. Apoorba Banerjee, ASEAN Strategy Lead for Osborne Engineering
1630-1700	Cognitive Warfare: Countering Coercion, Interference and Legal Warfare	Dr. Joanna Siekiera, University College of Professional Education, Poland

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Thursday, 6 August, 2026

0830-0900

The Law of Armed Conflict and
Advanced Technology

Professor Masahiro Kurosaki,
Tohoku University School of Law

0900-0930

The Evolution of Space Law

Major Steve Garman,
United States Space Command

0930-1000

The Wayfarer Manual

Professor Dale Stephens,
University of Adelaide

1000-1030

Morning Tea

1030-1200

Panel: Senior Regional JAGs—Contemporary Legal
Challenges and Opportunities in the Indo-Pacific

Moderator: CDR Timothy Boyle, USN
U.S. Seventh Fleet

Air Commodore Chris Taylor, Director General Military Legal Service

Major General Robin Holman, Judge Advocate General, Canadian Armed Forces

Colonel Kitione 'Tui' Tunaosara, Director Legal, Royal Fijian Military Forces

Commander Alban Merlin-Aubert, Head of Law Enforcement at Sea, French Armed Forces

Captain Isamu Kaji, Legal Affairs General, Japan Joint Staff

Brigadier General James Kennedy-Good, Head Legal Services, New Zealand Armed Forces

Colonel Saturnino S. Diaron Jr., Chief, International Law & Special Projects, Armed Forces Philippines

Colonel Kajoon Song, Judge Advocate, Republic of Korea Air Force

Air Commodore Kevin Sanders, Deputy Director Legal Service, Royal Air Force, United Kingdom

1200-1230

MILOPS26 in Review

Captain Dustin Wallace
Staff Judge Advocate, USPACOM

1230

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1230-1330

Provided Buffet Lunch

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1430-1700

Multilateral Counter-Lawfare Working Group

All welcome

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