

Defence Factsheet – Aerial Surveillance Program

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Pacific Island Countries have availability to access aerial surveillance services



21.8m

Approximate area of operations, in square kilometres, covered



2

King Air 200 aircraft which are operationally controlled by FFA and under FFA membership direction



100

Radar range of aircraft in nautical miles



1440

Hours of air surveillance available to be flown day and night in a year



Aerial Surveillance Program Objectives



Support ASP members to protect their Exclusive Economic Zones



Build Maritime Domain Awareness



Encourage interagency collaboration



Create a deterrence effect to Maritime Security Threats



Generate intelligence to enhance maritime patrol effectiveness

Aerial Surveillance Tasking Process



Air Tasking Officer



Forum Fisheries Agency



Contractor

Requests for Aerial Surveillance Support (RASS) is submitted to the FFA Determines availability, creates and finalises schedule, and arranges diplomatic clearance

Conducts aerial surveillance mission in the nation's EEZ

Shares collected surveillance material* with the FFA

Analyses the material and provides a surveillance product to the Air Tasking

Officer

Disseminates the surveillance product and pursues enforcement action as required

* Collected surveillance material is used and stored subject to the ASP's Member's relevant laws. The FFA will not share the information with other parties without the ASP Member's consent, and the ownership of the surveillance material is transferred from the FFA to the ASP Member's government on handover.

About Our Fleet	N280RA	N625BW
Number in fleet	1	1
Capacity	4 (including the air rider).	4 (including the air rider).
Maximum fuel capacity	2074 litres	2813 litres
Maximum range	2539 km	3300 km
Maximum speed	225 knots	225 knots

When in country, the aircraft is treated as "state" aircraft providing Pacific Island Countries additional surveillance capability for more effective target-driven surveillance.

Working in partnership with:





Potential Maritime Security Threats



Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated (IUU) Fishing



People smuggling



Drug Trafficking



Search and rescue

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