PORT OF HALIFAX

• One of 18 Canadian Port Authorities (CPAs)
• Busiest Port on the East Coast of Canada
• Servicing 18 of the world’s largest Container Lines with access to 150 Countries
• One of largest and naturally deepest harbors in the world
• Halifax is an Ice Free harbour (Big for Canada!)
• Home to Canada’s East Coast Navy
• Halifax is the Provincial capital of Nova Scotia and Economic capital and financial engine of Atlantic Canada (NB, NS, NFLD and PEI)
PORT OF HALIFAX

- Home to **17 marine facilities** including: **2 container terminals**, **2 petroleum product terminals**, **2 break-bulk terminals**, **1 shipyard**, **1 Autoport** and **1 cruise ship terminal** (3 primary berths with room for 3 more)

- Halifax is the only port on the Canadian East Coast that can handle “Ultra-Class Vessels”

- All told, the Port of Halifax is vital to the Economy of Nova Scotia and **37,017 jobs** are directly or indirectly related to the Port or 8.3% of Nova Scotia’s workforce!
CRUISE BUSINESS

- Seasonal and runs from April - November
- 175 + cruise vessel calls per season
- 240,000 + cruise passengers visit per year
- Vast majority of calls occur in September and October, resulting in many double (2x), triple (3x), quadruple (4x) vessel call days
- Vast majority of cruise passengers to Halifax are citizens of the USA (93%)
- Seasonal economic impact of 122.87 M
- All of the major cruise lines call Halifax
SECURITY & POLICING

• 1749-Port of Halifax founded by the British
• 1749-present-Major naval base protecting Canadian interests and shipping lanes
• 1936-National Harbors Board (Police) established
• 1983-Canada Ports Corporation (Ports Canada Police)
• 1998-Canada Marine Act comes into force and Port of Halifax becomes 1 of 18 CPAs
• 1998-Canadian Ports Police disbanded
• 1999-HPA contracts POJ (Halifax Regional Police)***
• 2001-September 11th
• 2002-HPA starts to receive additional federal funding and commences increasing security assets; Commissionaires contracted to provide general security
• 2004-Marine Transportation Security Regulations in force
SECURITY REGULATIONS
&
REGULATORY BODIES

MARSEC LEVELS 1, 2, 3
CRUISE SECURITY

- 175 + vessel calls per season
- 250,000 + passengers per season
- Cruise terminal is considered a Restricted Level Two (R2) Area
- CCTV Surveillance at terminal
- Upwards of 50 + contracted security guards per day at terminal
- Increased Police presence at terminal
- CAZ around cruise ships
CRUISE SECURITY

- Checkpoints established
- Baggage Screening capabilities
- Security (MARSEC) signage posted at key locations
- Perimeter fencing
CRUISE SECURITY & CHALLENGES AHEAD

• Drones/UAVs

• Cyber threat

• Waterside Security threats

• Federal acknowledgement of associated the risks (soft target!)

• Funding
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