Bali bomb "A team" visits Australia



The tour of the Weston Complex provided the first opportunity since the Bali bombing investigation for members of the INP and AFP investigation teams to catch up.

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Members of the Indonesian National Police (INP) team that led the investigation into the 2002 Bali bombings paid a whirlwind visit to Australia in December to tour AFP facilities and renew relationships formed during the investigation.

Members of the INP group, known by their AFP counterparts as the "A Team", were also involved in the investigation into the August 2003 bombing of Jakarta's Mariott Hotel and were interested to see how the AFP's experience with both cases had impacted on its processes and procedures.

In Australia from 7-13 December, the program included tours of AFP establishments in Canberra and Sydney. The Canberra leg included AFP Headquarters and the Weston complex with many of the group heading up to Old Parliament House to see the *When The Roof Became Stars* exhibition.

At the AFP's facility at Weston the group saw the latest developments in AFP forensic readyresponse preparations as well as training facilities for the Specialist Response and Security and Bomb Response teams.

The Sydney leg of the tour included the Eastern Operations headquarters and an inspection of NSW Police facilities.

During the visit, the opportunity was taken for both the AFP and the INP delegation to provide briefings on matters of mutual interest.



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