Defence interests in the context of Maritime Spatial Planning

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National Armed Forces activities at sea

Control, defence and ensuring of inviolability of the water aquatorium of the Republic of Latvia:

- observation and control of air space, territorial sea and inland waters (except rivers and lakes), as well as exclusive economic areas;
- coast guard functions, search and rescue operations at sea, elimination of consequences of oil and chemical spills at sea, ecological surveillance and control of the navigation regime
MSP priorities in the long time vision framework

Balanced and integrated use of marine space, which promotes economic growth of maritime related industries, welfare of coastal residents, as well as a viable marine ecosystem

Healthy marine environment and stable ecosystem

Marine renewable energy resources

Developed maritime industry and safe shipping

Defence and security

Sustainable fishery

Sustainable tourism and recreation

(Source: LV MSP 1st draft, May 2016)
# Overlapping interests at sea

The table below illustrates the overlapping interests at sea, categorized into four levels:

- **Interests that do not disturb each other or even promote each other**
- **Interests that are not compatible (have to choose priority action)**
- **Interests that are possibly compatible in certain conditions**
- **Interests are not overlapping**

| Interests at sea | Shipping | Track, fairway maintenance | Port territories | Military training areas | Latvian Sea and Coastal Surveillance System - JNS | Explosives dumping ground | Former mined areas | Fishing near the coast | Open sea fishery (pelagic trawling) | Open sea fishery (bottom trawling) | Aquaculture (fish) | Aquaculture (molluscs and aquatic plants) | Hydrocarbon exploration | Hydrocarbon extraction | Extraction of mineral resources | Wave energy production | Wind energy production | Undersea cables | Water sports | Diving | Rest by the sea | Fish recovery areas | Protection of marine biotopes | Protection of sea birds | Protection of coastal landscapes | Underwater cultural heritage |
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Defence interests at sea

Areas of permanent activity – fixed surveillance sites (stations), military training areas

Areas of unforeseen activity – in cases of emergency situation or state of exception
Thank you for your attention!