9/22/2010 Testimony before the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Government Affairs

• Homeland Security Secretary Janet Napolitano:
  – “Homegrown terrorists represent a new and changing facet of the terrorist threat.”
  – “There is a rising threat from attacks that use improvised explosive devices (IEDs), other explosives and small arms.”

• FBI Director Robert Mueller:
  – “Despite significant counterterrorism pressure abroad, al Qaeda remains committed to advancing attack plans directed at the West, including plans against Europe and the homeland.”

• NCTC Director Michael Leiter:
  – “During the past year our nation has dealt with the most significant developments in the terrorist threat to the Homeland since 9/11.”
Small Vessel Security Strategy

Implementation Plan

- Pends DHS Approval
- IMO Guidelines
- Leg Proposal for Small Boat Operator Training and Certification
- AIS/NOA NPRM
  - Commercial > 65’
  - Tugs >26’ or 600 HP
  - All vessels 50+ passengers
  - All high speed vessels
  - Barges carrying CDC

USS COLE (2000)
M/V Limburg (2002)
M/V Seabourne Spirit (2005)
Mumbai Attacks (2008)
Maritime Operational Threat Response

Ingredients:
- Triggers
- Coverage
- Responsiveness
- Decision Making
- Procedures

MAERSK ALABAMA
Utilized > 750 times since 2006
Strategic Imperative: Move Borders Out

Offshore Capacity – CG’s #1 Resource Need

Major Cutters began service in 1964 (46 YOA now)
  High Endurance (‘67-’72)
  Medium Endurance
    ‘64-’69
    ‘83-’91

First two replacements were commissioned in 2008 and 2009; only 3 more funded so far
This is a very long term acquisition; projected to run for the next 20 years (2031)!
Integrity...
Commitment...
Quality Performance...

“Securing Your World”