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Subject: Dover support
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Dear all,

Most of you will be aware that alongside the pressures we are all facing at this time, Dover MRCC is additionally challenged with the high activity associated with small boat Channel crossings. This activity intensifies during the summer period, as weather conditions allow more opportunity for crossing the channel. This work is undertaken alongside the pressures of other SAR operations and VTS responsibilities. Dover at this time is also low on staff numbers and has staff under development, although best efforts are being made to improve this situation (5 new MOO's commenced duty in March/April with a further 6 currently onboarding) the position will not change sufficiently before the end of the summer/autumn period when migrant activity is expected to remain high.

To support Dover and the network with these additional challenges we are looking for qualified MOO, SMOO or SMC that may be willing to undertake a period of duty at Dover to support. As well as providing the necessary support to the ops room team, it offers an opportunity to build on experience and to further SAR skills while working in a different environment, intensity and unique SAR scenarios which are not the norm elsewhere.

Anybody interested in undertaking this role will need the agreement of their Maritime Commander, who will consider the possibility of short term absence from station before allowing any release and approval to apply for a period of detached duty. Network governance will work with the Commanders to support freeing up these staff. Periods of duty at Dover should be for a minimum of a round of watches plus travel either side. Watch time is likely to consist of day shifts but dependent on staffing at Dover some night work may be required.

We are looking to provide immediate support to Dover so a quick distribution of this request to your teams and a quick turnaround of any offers of help would be appreciated. We urgently need offers of

support for the remainder of August and early September but would also consider offers until the end of October.

If you would like to discuss please do not hesitate to contact me. Any one expressing an interest should email who will collate responses: [@mcga.gov.uk](mailto:mcga.gov.uk), please CC me in .

Thanks

Kind regards

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