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## Australia decides to upgrade ANZAC ships

**Australia's Minister for Defence Robert Hill today approved programs for upgrading the ANZAC ships. This will be carried out by the ANZAC Alliance comprising Australia's Defence Authority, Tenix and Saab.**

Most of the work will be carried out in Australia during standard maintenance periods.

The total cost of upgrading the ANZAC ships will amount to AUD 500 million, and several suppliers are involved in the development work. Saab can be involved in upgrading command and control systems. If the upgrade becomes a definite order, this would be expected in the latter part of 2004.

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