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### ASX & Media Release

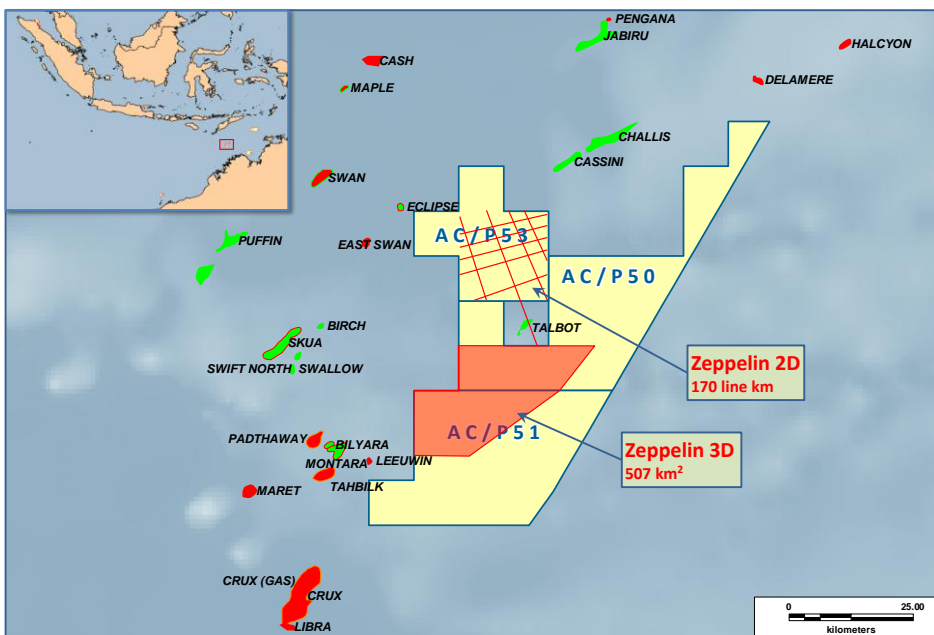
### Commences acquisition of Zeppelin 2D seismic survey

#### Key Points:

- Commenced acquisition of Zeppelin 2D seismic survey in AC/P53 (MEO 100%)
- Acquisition advances Permit Year 2 work commitment of 150 km 2D into Permit Year 1

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MEO Australia Limited (ASX: **MEO**; OTC: **MEOAY**) advises that the S/R Veritas Viking II commenced acquisition of the 170 km Zeppelin 2D seismic survey in AC/P53 in the Ashmore Cartier region of the Timor Sea (Vulcan sub-basin) at 20:42 (WST) on 15<sup>th</sup> January 2012. The survey is anticipated to take approximately three days to record.



This survey includes a tie line to the 507 km<sup>2</sup> Zeppelin 3D survey over part of AC/P50 and AC/P51 which will commence immediately following completion of the 2D survey.

The combination of long offset 2D seismic in AC/P53 and 3D seismic in AC/P50 and AC/P51 will provide the technical basis for generating targets for consideration as potential future drilling candidates.

AC/P53 was awarded to MEO in July 2011. The Zeppelin 2D seismic survey advances the Permit Year 2 obligation to acquire 150 km long offset 2D seismic into Permit Year 1.

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