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SUBJECT: **INVITATION LETTER COURSE 6000 “WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION IN MARITIME INTERDICTION OPERATIONS” (ACT 684.1) 18 – 22 May 2020.**

DATE: 28 January 2020

REFERENCES: A. NMIOTC Program of Work (NPOW) 2020
B. NMIOTC 3000 NSC-45/Ser.: NU32, dated 04 March 2019 (WMD in MIO Course 2019 – Full After Action Report)

1. NMIOTC under the auspices and guidance of the Allied Command Transformation (ACT) will organize a course focused on issues and challenges in conducting Maritime Interdiction Operations (MIO) to prevent and deter trafficking, proliferation of Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD) and their means of delivery. The course program is in support of enhancing national and regional capabilities and cooperation in maritime interdiction consistent with international law and WMD counter proliferation initiatives, such as the Proliferation Security Initiative (PSI) and other maritime related initiatives and frameworks. NMIOTC is pleased to invite NATO and Partners to participate in this event, which will take place in Souda Bay, Chania - Greece, from 18 to 22 May 2020.

2. The aim of the course is to provide participants with an orientation, deeper understanding, and greater appreciation of the strategic, operational, and tactical challenges and issues of MIO with a focus on WMD proliferation and materials trafficking. The training will be escalated by a situational training exercise and a final table top exercise which will provide final training in the various characteristics of WMD in MIO considerations and capabilities, to include reach back modalities, while executing table top interdiction scenarios.

3. The target audience is officers from OF-2 to OF-5 and Chief Petty Officers (CPO), as well as equivalent civilian governmental officials that are in any way involved in Maritime Security and Maritime Interdiction Operations, potentially related with Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD). Personnel from Law Enforcement Authorities, Custom services and other related agencies, are also strongly encouraged to participate.

4. The course will be conducted in English. Translation into other languages will not be provided. The following proficiency standards in English are required to attend: Listening- Good (3), Speaking- Fair (2), Reading- Good (3), Writing- Fair (2).

5. The course is “NATO Unclassified / Releasable to: PFP (except Russia), MD, ICI, PatG”. NMIOTC applies security arrangements and regulations, according to NATO standards.

6. The curriculum of Course 6000 includes the following modules:

- a. Module 6110 – Political aspects of the prevention of the proliferation of WMD
- b. Module 6120 – NATO strategic approach on CBRN in relation to MIO
- c. Module 6130 – Legal Aspects Related to WMD Counter-Proliferation in the Maritime Environment
- d. Module 6140 – Operational Processes Required to Successfully Counter the WMD Proliferation at Sea
- e. Module 6150 – Reach Back Architecture and Procedures
- f. Module 6210 – CBRN Threat
- g. Module 6220 – CBRN Agents and their Means of Delivery
- h. Module 6230 – CBRN Agents’ Impact on the Human Body
- i. Module 6240 – Methods of CBRN Detection and the Respective Equipment
- j. Module 6250 – Principles of CBRN Detection and the Respective Equipment
- k. Module 6310 – Stand-Off Detection of CBRN Material during MIO
- l. Module 6320 – Detection of CBRN material during boarding
- m. Module 6330 – Identification of CBRN material during boarding
Legislation

NOTE: A detailed agenda will be included in the Joining Instructions letter which will be released in due course.

7. The attendees must attend at least 85% of the module classes of the course. The achievement of POs / ELOs will be assessed through a theory test, during Syndicate Tasks (TTXs) and through a Final Tactical Exercise (FTX) upon conclusion of the course.

They will be awarded with the certification statement (one of the following) corresponding with their performance:

- a. The trainee has proven the knowledge and skills of operational and tactical dimensions of WMD in Maritime Domain by following NATO procedures.
- b. The trainee has proven the basic knowledge and skills of operational and tactical dimensions of WMD in Maritime Domain by following NATO procedures.
- c. The trainee has failed to prove the basic knowledge and skills of operational and tactical dimensions of WMD in Maritime Domain by following NATO procedures. In specific, the following training deficiencies were identified (followed by area of deficiency and listing of errors/mistakes which prevented achievement of scenario objectives).

8. The tuition fee for the course is **420 €** per trainee. Comprehensive payment instructions can be found in Enclosure 1.

9. The course will start on **Monday, 18 May and will end on Friday, 22 May 2020**, with a daily training period from 08:30 to 14:30. Comprehensive administrative instructions are provided at Enclosure 1.

10. For organizational purposes, candidates are kindly requested to register **no later than (NLT) Monday 20 April 2020**. Registration should be made on NMIOTC's official web site www.nmiotc.nato.int.

NOTE: Partner Nations (Partnership for Peace (PfP), Mediterranean Dialogue (MD), Istanbul Cooperation Initiative (ICI), or Partners across the Globe (PatG) frameworks), eligible for NATO MPD subsidization programme, should follow the procedures described in Enclosure 1, paragraph 2.

11. Event details can be found on the NMIOTC official web site www.nmiotc.nato.int, in the Education and Training Opportunities Catalogue (ETOC) at <https://e-itep.act.nato.int/Guest/ETOCindex.aspx> and in the Partnership Real-time Information, Management and Exchange system (e-PRIME) at <https://prime.hq.nato.int>.

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ENCLOSURES:

1. Administrative Instructions

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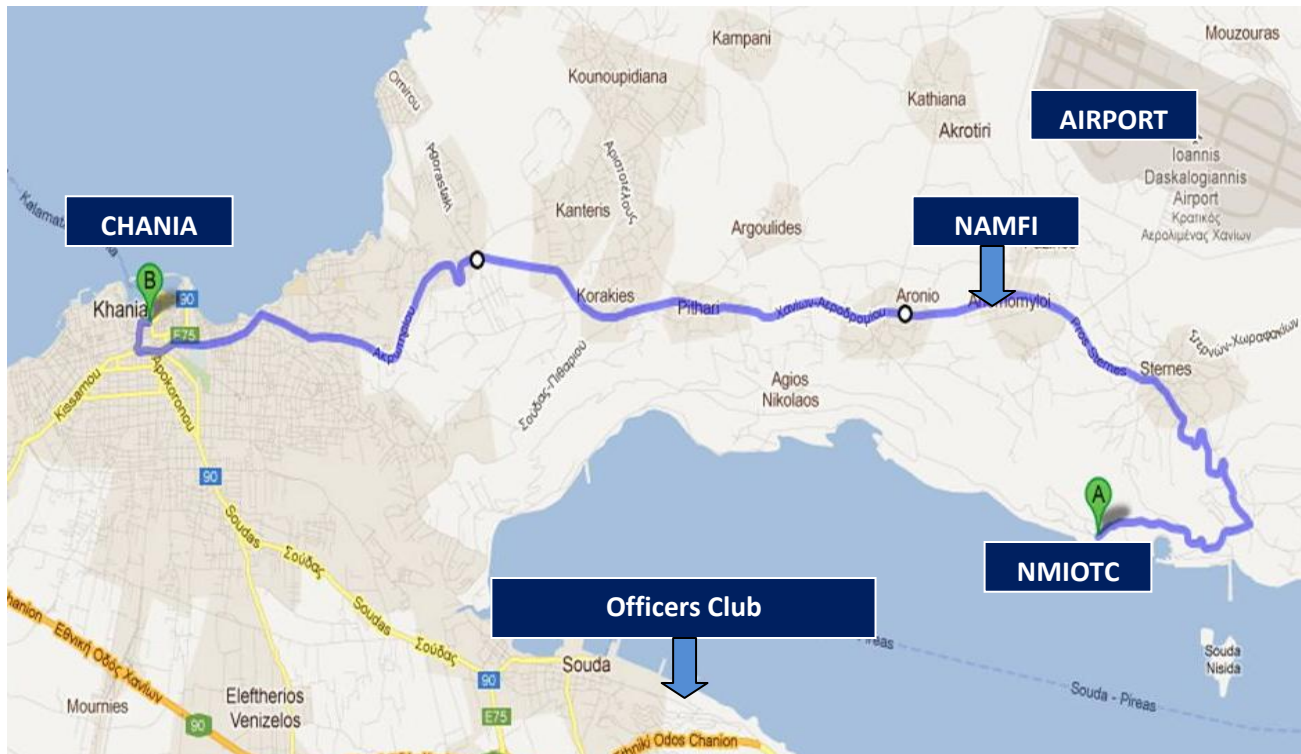
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ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTIONS

1. **Location:** NMIOTC is located in the Akrotiri peninsula, near the city of Chania, in the north-western part of Crete. The destination airport is Chania International airport “Ioannis Daskalogiannis” (airport code: CHQ). Distance from the city of Chania to NMIOTC is 20 km and from the airport to NMIOTC is 9 km. Chania is a picturesque, unique medieval city bearing a rich and long history and culture. The following map provides orientation and driving directions from the city of Chania to NMIOTC.



2. **Registration:**

- a. You are kindly requested to submit your Personnel Administration Form (PAF) through NMIOTC official web site www.nmiotc.nato.int within the given deadlines. Applications submitted after the specified deadlines may not be accepted. All applicants will receive an instant confirmation message. However the final confirmation will be provided after the process and acceptance of the application. It is advised not to proceed to travel arrangements before the final confirmation.

- b. Applicants eligible for subsidization through NATO MPD subsidization program should submit the Financial Assistance Request form (FARF) to the following addresses:

MPD SENF Activity Coordinator: Major Ramazan Ekinci TUR (A)
Phone: +1 757747 4290, NCN: 555-4290, Fax: +1 757747 3873
E-mail: Ramazan.ekinci@act.nato.int

SAP Fund Manager: CIV Paola Pasini
Email: paola.PASINI@shape.nato.int

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If MPD subsidization is approved for the candidate, he/she will find further administrative details in the Joining Instructions, which will be sent to each trainee before the start of the course.

3. **Visa Requirement:** Participants or their national authorities are responsible for visa arrangements. Participants are advised to contact well in advance, proper diplomatic agencies for up to date information. It is an individual's responsibility to apply and obtain their visa and to have the proper travel/medical documentation. Hellenic Ministry of Foreign Affairs website (www.mfa.gr) provides relevant visa information requirements.

4. **Tuition Fee:** The cost for the the one week course is 270€. The fee includes daily transportation from Chania city centre to NMIOTC and vice versa during the course days. Full payment for tuition will be made either to NMIOTC's Financial Officer in the first day of the course in cash, by credit card or by bank deposit to NMIOTC bank account with the following data:
 - a. IBAN Number: GR 38 0110 4940 0000 4945 4001 048
 - b. Swift BIC: ETHN GRAA
 - c. Bank Name: National Bank of Greece

Note: Bank deposit has to be completed **no later than 3 working days** after the start date of the course. The relevant document with proper justification has to be e-mailed to NMIOTC Budget & Finance officer at kladosa@nmiotc.nato.int. NMIOTC will cover only the expense that National Bank of Greece may charge for the transactions and not the potential charges of other banks that may finally intervene.

5. **Dress Code:** Participants are strongly recommended to wear Battle Dress Uniforms for the whole theoretical and practical training, as well as for the Graduation Ceremony.

6. **Meals:** A small canteen is available within the NMIOTC main building that will provide snacks for a nominal cost. Participants who would like to have lunch while at NMIOTC must make their own arrangements as NMIOTC does not provide this service.

7. **Accommodation:** Participants are responsible to arrange their own accommodation as there is no accommodation facilities on the Centre's premises. NMIOTC can provide guidance / assistance, if requested. Hotels near Chania city center are highly recommended for transportation purposes. The following list of recommended hotels in Chania offer special prices (for participants who book directly with each hotel by e-mail using the code "**NMIOTC Guest**") and including breakfast and internet connection:

AKALI 4* hotel www.akali-hotel.gr.

E-mail: info@akali-hotel.gr Tel: (+30) 28210 92872.

KYDON 4* hotel www.kydon-hotel.com (promotional code NMIOTC 20)

E-mail: info@kydon-hotel.gr Tel.: (+30) 28210 52280.

SAMARIA 4* hotel www.samariahhotel.gr (promotional code NMIOTC 20)

E-mail: reservations@samariahhotel.gr Tel.: (+30) 28210 38600.

ARKADI 3* hotel www.arkadi-hotel.gr

E-mail: info@arkadi-hotel.gr Tel: (+30) 28210 90181.

HALEPA hotel 3* hotel (www.halepa.com),

E-mail: hotel@halepa.com, Tel. +302821028440

PORTO VENEZIANO 3* hotel www.portoveneziano.gr.

E-mail: hotel@portoveneziano.gr Tel: +30 28210 27100.

ROYAL SUN 3* hotel www.royalsunhotel.com.

E-mail: hotelroyalsun@gmail.com Tel: (+30) 28210 46363.

NAMFI Military Barracks (www.namfi.gr)

E-mail: info@namfi.gr Tel: +30 2821026800 or +30 2821026805

8. **Arrival and Departure:** Participants should plan to fly to Chania International airport (airport code: CHQ) and are responsible for their own transportation from / to the Airport during arrival / departure. Public transportation from Chania Airport to the city center is available as follows:

a. By bus: The bus stop is located outside the terminal and the ticket cost is 2,50 €. For further information and detailed timetables, visit the following link: https://e-ktel.com/images/pdfs/AIRPORT_FROM_08-07-2019.pdf

b. By taxi from the airport directly to Chania city center, 24/7, approx. 25,00€

c. There are several rental car agencies at the airport. Rental car agencies that have offered special prices for NMIOTC guests are as follows:

(1) Gelasakis Car Rental: E-mail cars@stc.gr, www.rentacar-chania.gr, tel. +30 28210 89065.

(2) Spa Tours & Cars Enterprises: E-mail info@spatours.gr, www.spatours.gr, tel. +30 28210 57444.

9. **Transportation:** Transportation will be provided on a daily basis from Chania city centre pick-up points (Akali, Samaria, Kydon and Royal Sun at Acrotiriou st.) to NMIOTC during the course.
10. **Medical service:** Trainees are required to have a valid health insurance according to their respective national standards. Trainees from the EU Member States are required to possess a valid European Health Insurance Card. NMIOTC ensures first aid during training, providing emergency transportation to the Naval Hospital of Crete when needed. The Naval Hospital of Crete will provide diagnosis, first aid and treatment and when necessary, the military doctors may arrange with the Prefectural Hospital of Chania for further diagnosis or specialist treatment if required. NMIOTC is not covering trainees' expenses for additional medical treatments and the settlement of medical bills is a patient/national responsibility.
11. **Security:** NMIOTC adheres to NATO security standards. There is a strict access control procedure for entrance into the Marathi main gate and NMIOTC main building. You will be required to provide your passport or your national identification during in-processing and whenever you enter the premises.