



NORTH ATLANTIC TREATY ORGANISATION  
NATO MARITIME INTERDICTION OPERATIONAL TRAINING CENTRE  
NMIOTC  
SOUDA BAY  
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GREECE



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SUBJECT: **INVITATION LETTER FOR COURSE 27000 “MARITIME SNIPER” (SOF-SO-35603), 08-20 May 2022**

DATE: 19 Nov 2022

REFERENCES: NMIOTC Program of Work (NPOW) 2022

1. NMIOTC is pleased to invite NATO and Partner Nations to participate in this event, which will take place at the Centre’s premises in Souda Bay, Chania, Greece, from 08 to 20 of May 2022.

2. The aim of the course is to educate and train sniper teams and individuals in NATO practices and procedures regarding Operational and Tactical dimensions of engaging targets and delivering fire from land, from helicopter and from a naval vessel to stable and towed moving targets at sea. After the completion of the course, trainees will be able to:

- a. Engage and deliver fire from land to floating targets at sea;
- b. Engage and deliver fire from helicopter to stable and also towed moving targets at sea;
- c. Engage and deliver fire from a naval vessel to stable and also towed moving targets at sea;
- d. Plan and conduct Sniper Operations in Maritime environment;

3. Nations are encouraged to send complete teams of two (2) trained snipers, however individual snipers are also eligible to participate. All trainees are encouraged to bring their own weapons with all accessories, equipment and also ammunition (3000 rounds per trainee) in order to get the full value of the training (train as you fight). The

training platform can support the use of weapons systems from .223 up to .338 WinMag. The trainees are authorized to have bolt action, however, are encouraged to bring semi automatic weapon systems. The trainees **have to** follow the appropriate process and to make all the required arrangements with their embassies in Greece in order to transport their own weapons in due time. NMIOTC can support the transportation of the weapon systems and ammunition from Chania airport to NMIOTC premises, upon request.

4. A list of all sensitive items that will be carried from the participants must be submitted to NMIOTC **No Later Than Monday 07 Mar 2022**.
5. The course will be conducted in English. Translation to/from other languages will not be provided. All trainees must pass the English language test with a **minimum of 60%**. The test will be held on **Sunday 08 May 2022** at NMIOTC premises.
6. The course is marked as "NATO Unclassified / Releasable to: PfP (except Russia), MD, ICI, PatG". NMIOTC applies security arrangements and regulations according to NATO standards.
7. The participants must attend at least 85% of the classes of the course. The achievement of POs / ELOs will be assessed during the practical training by the instructors who will closely monitoring the training process.
8. The tuition fee of the course is **5800 €** per person. Comprehensive payment instructions can be found in Enclosure 1.
9. The course will start on **Sunday, 08 May and will end on Friday, 20 May 2022**, with a daily training period from 08:00 to 17:00. Comprehensive administrative instructions are provided at Enclosure 1.
10. For organizational purposes, candidates from NATO countries and partners are kindly requested to register **NLT Monday 28 Feb 2022**. Candidates from Non-NATO Countries not participating in PfP, MD, ICI or PatG frameworks must register **NLT Monday 07 Feb 2022**, so that adequate time is provided for NATO approval procedures. Registration should be made on NMIOTC's official web site [www.nmiotc.nato.int](http://www.nmiotc.nato.int).
11. Event details can be found on the NMIOTC official web site [www.nmiotc.nato.int](http://www.nmiotc.nato.int).
12. NMIOTC Points of Contact (POCs):

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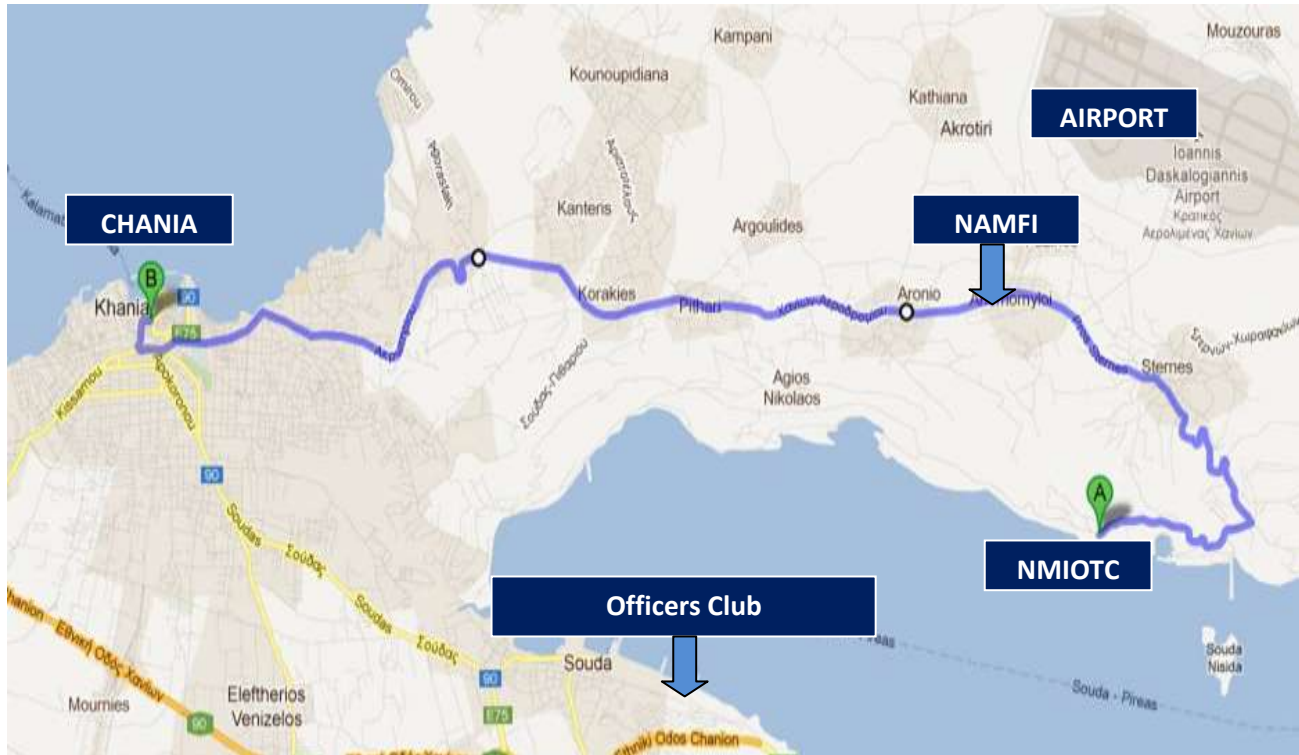
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Commandant NMIOTC

ENCLOSURES:

1. Administrative Instructions

## **ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTIONS**

1. **Location:** NMIOTC is located on 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) (airport code: CHQ). Distance from the city of Chania to NMIOTC is 20 km and from the airport to NMIOTC is 9 km. The following map provides orientation and general driving directions from the city of Chania to NMIOTC.



2. **Registration:** You are kindly requested to submit your Application Form through NMIOTC official web site [www.nmiotc.nato.int](http://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.

3. **Visa Requirement:** Participants or their national authorities are responsible for visa arrangements. Participants are advised to contact the proper diplomatic agencies for up to date information, well in advance. It is the individual’s responsibility to apply for and obtain their visa and to have the proper travel and medical documentation.

Hellenic Ministry of Foreign Affairs website ([www.mfa.gr](http://www.mfa.gr)) provides relevant visa information requirements. NMIOTC will provide a Visa Support Letter, if requested.

**4. Tuition Fee:** The fee includes daily transportation from Chania city center to NMIOTC and vice versa during the course days. Full payment for tuition must be made to NMIOTC's Financial Officer on the first day of the course in cash or by credit card (American Express excluded) or by bank deposit to the NMIOTC bank account:

IBAN Number: GR 38 0110 4940 0000 4945 4001 048  
Swift BIC: ETHN GRAA  
Bank Name: National Bank of Greece

**Note:** A direct link for credit card payment can be sent to participant's email address to complete payment procedure before event's start date.

Bank deposit must be completed **no later than 3 working days** before the start date of the event. The relevant document with proper justification must be e-mailed to NMIOTC Budget & Finance Officer (email: [kladosa@nmiotc.nato.int](mailto:kladosa@nmiotc.nato.int)). NMIOTC will cover only the expense that the National Bank of Greece may charge for transactions and not potential charges of other banks.

**5. Dress Code:** Daily Service/ Battle Dress Uniforms or National Equivalent for the whole 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](http://www.akali-hotel.gr).  
E-mail: [info@akali-hotel.gr](mailto:info@akali-hotel.gr) Tel: (+30) 28210 92872.

KYDON 4\* hotel [www.kydon-hotel.com](http://www.kydon-hotel.com) (promotional code "NMIOTC 22")  
E-mail: [info@kydon-hotel.gr](mailto:info@kydon-hotel.gr) Tel.: (+30) 28210 52280.

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SAMARIA 4\* hotel [www.samariahhotel.gr](http://www.samariahhotel.gr) (promotional code "NMIOTC 22")  
E-mail: [reservations@samariahhotel.gr](mailto:reservations@samariahhotel.gr) Tel.: (+30) 28210 38600.

ARKADI 3\* hotel [www.arkadi-hotel.gr](http://www.arkadi-hotel.gr)  
E-mail: [info@arkadi-hotel.gr](mailto:info@arkadi-hotel.gr) Tel: (+30) 28210 90181.

HALEPA hotel 3\* hotel ([www.halepa.com](http://www.halepa.com)),  
E-mail: [hotel@halepa.com](mailto:hotel@halepa.com), Tel. +3028210284  
PORTO VENEZIANO 3\* hotel  
[www.portoveneziano.gr](http://www.portoveneziano.gr).  
E-mail: [hotel@portoveneziano.gr](mailto:hotel@portoveneziano.gr) Tel: +30 28210 27100

KRITI hotel 3\* hotel ([www.kriti-hotel.gr/](http://www.kriti-hotel.gr/)),  
E-mail: [info@kriti-hotel.gr](mailto:info@kriti-hotel.gr) , Tel. +302821051881

ROYAL SUN 3\* hotel [www.royalsunhotel.com](http://www.royalsunhotel.com).  
E-mail: [hotelroyalsun@gmail.com](mailto:hotelroyalsun@gmail.com) Tel: (+30) 28210 46363.

NAMFI Military Barracks ([www.namfi.gr](http://www.namfi.gr)) are located close to NMIOTC (approx. 6 Km) on the road from NMIOTC to Chania. The installation itself is in a very good condition and offers several facilities. The price is 10,00 €/person/day for user nations (Germany, Greece and Netherlands), 20,00 €/person/day for NATO Nations and 22,00 €/person/day for Non NATO Nations. There is availability for breakfast /lunch/dinner at low cost.

E-mail: [info@namfi.gr](mailto: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) at least one day prior to starting date which is on **Sunday 08 May 2022**. All participants are responsible for their own transportation from / to the Airport during arrival / departure. Transportation from Chania Airport to the city center is available as follows:

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://www.e-ketel.com/en/services/dromologia>.

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

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

Gelasakis Car Rental: E-mail [cars@stc.gr](mailto:cars@stc.gr), [www.rentacar-chania.gr](http://www.rentacar-chania.gr), tel. +30 28210 89065.

Spa Tours & Cars Enterprises: E-mail [info@spatours.gr](mailto:info@spatours.gr), [www.spatours.gr](http://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, KRITI 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. COVID 19 awareness:** Please take under consideration that due to the current COVID-19 situation and the undertaken preventive and protective measures, the conduct of the course is considered, feasible. Furthermore NMIOTC is ready to welcome participants to NMIOTC's events according to the new travel rules as described in details in the governmental site <https://travel.gov.gr/#/> (protocol for arrivals in Greece) as well as the latest instructions uploaded to the NMIOTC site <https://nmiotc.nato.int/general-information-on-coronavirus-covid-19/> which are to be followed at its latest update.

**Note:** It is advised the participants to take into account any further travel restrictions and rules from intermediate countries that they will travel through.

**12. 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.