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SUBJECT: **INVITATION LETTER FOR COURSE 30000 “NATO IDENTITY INTELLIGENCE ANALYST IN A COMPLEX ENVIRONMENT”, 16 – 20 FEB 2026**

DATE: 22 July 2025

REFERENCE: A. NMIOTC Program of Work (NPOW) 2026  
B. NMIOTC DIR 60-1 CHANGE 13 Cost of NMIOTC Training (Tuition Fees)

1. Taking into account the NPOW 2026 (Ref. A) as well as the accreditation by ACT of the 30000 Course as “NATO Approved,” NMIOTC is pleased to invite NATO Nations to participate in the subject course, which will take place at the Centre’s premises in Souda Bay, Greece, from 16 to 20 Feb 2026.

2. The aim of the course is to develop NATO analysts who can leverage identity intelligence to enhance analysis and production to inform command decisions in NATO Joint Operations Areas (JOAs). This include the key skills of identity identification (discovering new threat actors), resolution (separating friend from foe), and attribution (linking persons to places or events). The aforementioned course is also intended to provide a place to share lessons learned and develop analytical techniques.

3. Target audience is composed of Officers and Petty Officers (OR-5 to OF-3) as well as equivalent civilian intelligence personnel from NATO nations.

4. The course is conducted in English. Translation to/from other languages is not provided. The following proficiency standards in English are required to attend: Listening- Professional (3), Speaking- Functional (2), Reading- Professional (3), Writing- Functional (2). (STANAG 6001)

5. The course is marked as “**NATO SECRET**. All participants have to present the appropriate Security Clearance prior to their attendance. NMIOTC applies security arrangements and regulations according to NATO standards.

6. It is prerequisite for the trainees to complete the online JADL course ADL 337 “NATO Introduction to Biometrics”.

7. The curriculum of Course 30000 will include the following theoretical and practical modules:

a. **Course (30000)**

- (1) Understanding I2 in the Operational Environment
- (2) Identity Components Overview
- (3) Identity Intelligence Familiarization Organizational Structure
- (4) Strategic Identity Intelligence
- (5) Biometric Post-Match Analysis Report Comprehension
- (6) Counter Intelligence and Human Intelligence Screening and Vetting
- Support Triage Spreadsheet Comprehension
- (7) BEWL Training Overview
- (8) Analysis and Production of Identity Intelligence
- (9) Operation and Functions of NATO Automated Biometric Identification
- System (NABIS)
- (10) Operation and Functions of the NATO Exploitation (NEX) Portal
- (11) NATO Biometrics and Identity Intelligence Workflow Model
- (12) Identity Intelligence Analysis in a Complex Environment – Capstone
- Exercise

**NOTE:** A detailed agenda will be included in the Joining Instructions which will be released two weeks before the course start date.

8. Participants will complete a practical exercise at the conclusion of the course that will assess their comprehension of the material. Students will brief their analysis to a notional “commander” and staff. By assessing their briefing, and their response to questions, course cadre can gauge the level at which the students mastered the course material.

9. The course will be running with the cooperation of external augmenters (SHAPE J2, United States National Ground Intelligence Center (US NGIC), United States Special Operations Command (USSOCOM), NATO Communication and Information Agency (NCIA), NATO HUMINT Centre of Excellence (HCOE) and others Subject Matter Experts (SMEs).

10. The tuition fee for Course 30000 is **500 €** per person and includes transportation to and from the designated hotels and inside NMIOTC premises.

11. The course will start on Monday, **16<sup>th</sup> and will end on Friday, 20<sup>th</sup> February 2026**, with a daily training period from 08:30 to 17:00, included time for a lunch/snack break. Comprehensive administrative instructions are provided at Enclosure 1.

12. For organizational purposes, candidates are kindly requested to register **no later than (NLT) Friday 09 January 2026**. Registration should be made on NMIOTC’s official web site [www.nmiotc.nato.int](http://www.nmiotc.nato.int) . Due to the high demand for this training, prospective attendees are requested to refrain from making travel arrangements until participation is confirmed by NMIOTC. All efforts will be made to ensure a diverse representation of participating nations.

13. NMIOTC Points of Contact:

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**ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS FOR Course 30000 “NATO Identity Intelligence Analyst in a Complex Environment”, NMIOTC, CHANIA, CRETE - GREECE**

1. **Location:** The Course 30000 “NATO Identity Intelligence Analyst in a Complex Environment” will be hosted by NMIOTC, in Souda Bay, Crete, Greece from 16 to 20 Feb 26. 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).

2. **Registration:** Participants are requested to sign up to NMIOTC event portal website <https://nmiotc.nato.int> or using directly the link <https://nmiotc.classter.com/Actions/Registration>. A signup confirmation message will be received to the email provided during the sign up process, along with the respective credentials. Login to <https://nmiotc.classter.com> and register to the Course 30000 “NATO Identity Intelligence Analyst in a Complex Environment” by using the “Application Management” function at the top left corner of the portal main page. **Registration status can be verified within portal.** If you encounter any problem during registration process, please contact [studentadmin@nmiotc.nato.int](mailto:studentadmin@nmiotc.nato.int) or NMIOTC PoCs, mentioned in paragraph 12. Registration should be submitted NLT **Friday 09 January 2026**.

3. **Visa Requirement:** Participants or their national authorities are responsible for visa arrangements. The participants are advised to contact the proper diplomatic authorities for up to date information, well in advance. It is the individual’s responsibility to obtain his/her 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/Participation Fee and Methods of Payment:** The fee for the Course 30000 “NATO Identity Intelligence Analyst in a Complex Environment” participants is **500 €** per person. Transportation from the hotels to NMIOTC and versa during on all events days (16 to 20 Feb 25) will be provided (for pick up points see note in paragraph 8).

A.BEFORE THE MEETING/EVENT	INFORMATION	REMARKS
1. By Bank Deposit	NATIONAL BANK OF GREECE, NMIOTC BANK ACCOUNT 494/540010-48  SWIFT BIC: ETHN GRAA  IBAN: GR3801104940000049454001048	Bank deposits should be completed not later than <b><u>2 working days before the start date of the event</u></b> , bank charges are not covered by NMIOTC. The receipt should be sent by email to <a href="mailto:papadakiss@nmiotc.nato.int">papadakiss@nmiotc.nato.int</a> and Cc: <a href="mailto:mitsoulie@nmiotc.nato.int">mitsoulie@nmiotc.nato.int</a> and <a href="mailto:petroulakiz@nmiotc.nato.int">petroulakiz@nmiotc.nato.int</a>

2. By Debit/Credit Card	Upon notification from the participant, the direct link for credit/debit card payment will be sent to the designated-by the participant-email address.	The participant should send an email to <a href="mailto:papadakiss@nmiotc.nato.int">papadakiss@nmiotc.nato.int</a> and Cc: <a href="mailto:mitsoulie@nmiotc.nato.int">mitsoulie@nmiotc.nato.int</a> and <a href="mailto:petroulakiz@nmiotc.nato.int">petroulakiz@nmiotc.nato.int</a> for receiving the link for the credit/debit card payment
<b>B. ON THE FIRST DAY OF THE MEETING/EVENT</b>	INFORMATION	REMARKS
3. By Debit/Credit card	A valid credit/debit card should be presented on the first day of the event.	The fee is always paid in euros [the credit/debit card may provide the option to pay in another currency (other than euro) and therefore the 'euro' currency option must be chosen].
4. By Cash	-	The fee is always paid in euros.

5. **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 centre are highly recommended for transportation purposes. The list of recommended hotels in Chania offering special prices (for participants who book directly with each hotel by e-mail using the code "NMIOTC" and including breakfast and internet connection, is as follows:

THE CHANIA 5\* hotel [www.thechaniahotel.com](http://www.thechaniahotel.com)

E-mail: [reservations@thechaniahotel.com](mailto:reservations@thechaniahotel.com) Tel: (+30) 28210 90002

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 <http://kydonhotel.com/en>

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

SAMARIA 4\* hotel [www.samariahotel.gr](http://www.samariahotel.gr)

E-mail: [reservations@samariahotel.gr](mailto:reservations@samariahotel.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.

KRITI 3\* hotel, [www.kriti-hotel.gr](http://www.kriti-hotel.gr)

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PORTO VENEZIANO 3\* hotel [www.portoveneziano.gr](http://www.portoveneziano.gr).

E-mail: [hotel@portoveneziano.gr](mailto:hotel@portoveneziano.gr) Tel: +30 28210 27100.

6. **Arrival and Departure:** The 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. Transportation from Chania Airport to the city centre 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: [www.e-ktel.com/en/services/dromologia](http://www.e-ktel.com/en/services/dromologia)
- b. By taxi from the airport directly to Chania city center, 24/7, approx. 35.00€

7. **Medical service:** First aid and emergency medical support is offered by NMIOTC paramedic and local Naval Hospital. However, for all other situations, medical expenses must be paid by the individuals or their insurance agencies. All participants are strongly advised to have appropriate medical insurance.

8. **Transportation:** Transportation will be provided on a daily basis (16 to 20 Feb 25) from the following Chania city centre pick-up points to NMIOTC and vice-versa:

- Akali Hotel
- Samaria Hotel (participants staying at Arkadi & The Chania Hotels, are kindly asked to use Samaria Hotel pick-up point).
- Kydon Hotel
- Kriti Hotel (participants staying at Porto Veneziano hotel are kindly asked to use Kriti Hotel pick-up point).

**A week before the event the pick-up times will be communicated directly to all the registered participants at the email used in the process (see para 2). The correct route to be followed to reach NMIOTC by rented/private vehicles will be included, as well.**

9. **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. The overall classification of the Course will be **“NATO SECRET”**.

10. **Social events:** An Ice breaker will take place at **a location/date/hour to be announced on the first day** of Course.

11. **Dress code:** The dress code for the Course is Battle Dress Uniform (BDU) while for the social event “Smart Casual”. There are changing rooms available on the 2nd floor of the Center where anyone who is in civilian clothing can change in uniform, if they are military.