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SUBJECT: **NMIOTC Annual Conference 2013 – Calling Notice**

DATE: 28 December 2012

1. NMIOTC announces the **NMIOTC Annual Conference** which will take place in NMIOTC premises (Souda Bay – Crete) from 18th to 20th June 2013. Draft agenda as per Annex A.

2. **Theme**

“Future Security at Sea – MIO Roles”

3. **Aim**

The upcoming 2013 NMIOTC Annual Conference will provide new opportunities for discussion and path forward proposals in dealing with future maritime security threats and linkages with Maritime Interdiction Operations, investigating interdependencies and influences. Based on the results, specific follow-up actions and areas will be identified, which would lead to implementation of new domains in consideration of future training and engagement via NMIOTC.

4. **Conference Pillars**

Conference will be focused but not limited to the following pillars:

a. Border Security

- (i) Identity Operations (Biometrics)
- (ii) Human Trafficking
- (iii) Illegal Immigration
- (iv) Trafficking illicit goods

b. Energy Security

- (i) Critical Infrastructure Protection
- (ii) Maritime Piracy (HOA & West Africa)
- (iii) Operational Costs - Energy consideration

c. MIO in Strategic Chokepoints

- (i) WMD Counter Proliferation
- (ii) Maritime Terrorism / Piracy

d. Civil Military Cooperation

- (i) Civil Military Cooperation in Organized crime (UN, EU, INTERPOL etc)
- (ii) Intelligence/Information Sharing (NATO, EU, IMO, UNODC etc)
- (iii) Information Sharing with Non-NATO Entities

5. Schedule

The Conference will be conducted over three days, from Tuesday 18th to Thursday 20th of June 2013. It is advised to use Monday 17th (or earlier) and Friday 21st June 2013 (or later) as travel days.

The projected schedule of the Conference will be updated regularly on the NMIOTC web page at www.nmiotc.gr

A detailed Agenda, as well as Spouses Program will be issued by 1st of June 2013.

6. Participants

Registration is open to all interested participants such as officers and civilians coming from NATO and EU entities, NATO and EU countries and Partner Nations representing their navy, coast guard or port police services, law enforcement experts, officials from other relevant organizations and third party countries. Speakers from military organizations and academia will present their views on the topic, while the audience will be comprised of military and civilian personnel involved or interested in maritime security. Please feel free to forward this invitation to persons that you deem relevant and interested to attend.

7. Attire

The attire for the Conference will be coat & tie for civilians, while service uniform for the military personnel.

8. Registration

Participants are requested to submit a registration application, no later than 5th of June 2013, following the instructions contained on the website, www.nmiotc.gr

9. Lodging and Transportation

Although attendees are responsible for the arrangement of their own accommodation, NMIOTC can provide guidance if requested. Transportation to / from the NMIOTC installations and specified pick-up points in the city of Chania will be provided.

10. Classification

Unclassified, releasable to internet.

11. Conference fee

The Conference fee is 100 € for attendees, while an additional fee of 50 € for spouses will be required, should they want to participate in the Spouses Program. Fee should be paid in cash on the first day of the event and an official receipt will be provided.

Excursion to Knossos (Metropolis of the Minoan Civilization funded about 1900 BC) is optional and there will be an additional cost of 20€ in case of participation.

12. Visa Requirements

Participants or their sending authorities are responsible for visa arrangements for their personnel. It is advised that participants contact their national embassies/consulates in Greece or the Greek Military Attachés at the Greek Embassies in their respective capitals for relevant information.

13. More detailed and updated information will be available at: www.nmiotc.gr

14. **Points of Contact**

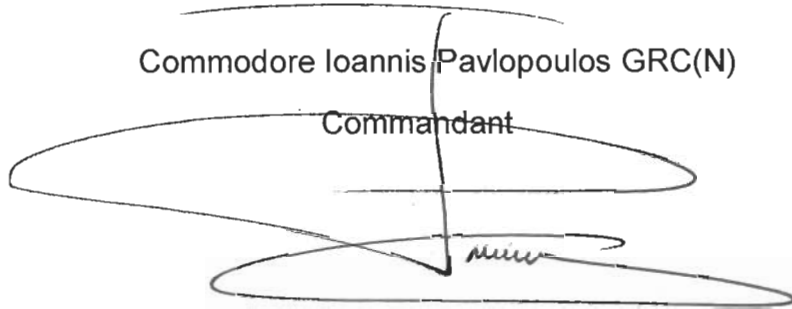
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15. Thank you in advance for your support to the NMIOTC Annual Conference, and I look forward to welcome in Crete.

Commodore Ioannis Pavlopoulos GRC(N)

Commandant

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ANNEXES :

- A. NMIOTC Annual Conference Draft Agenda, 18 - 20 June 2013

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 - UN Political Office for Somalia (UNPOS)
 - Department of Peacekeeping Operations
 - Office for Disarmament Affairs
 - Office of Legal Affairs
- IMO - Maritime Security Section
- INTERPOL – Fusion Task Force
- OSCE - Secretariat / Action against Terrorism Unit
- TGOS SECRETARY
- WCO - Enforcement Committee
- PSI
- CSI
- HELLENIC COAST GUARD OPS BRANCH
 - AIR OPS / SPECIAL OPS / SMALL BOAT OPS
 - CHANIA COAST GUARD
- HERAKLION PORT AUTHORITY
- HELLENIC POLICE HQ
- HELLENIC SHIPOWNER ASSOCIATION
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		NMIOTC ANNUAL CONFERENCE 18 – 20 June 2013				
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MON 17 JUN	TUE 18 JUN		WED 19 JUN		THU 20 JUN	
TRAVEL DAY	0845 - 0945	<i>Registration</i>	0845 - 0915	Energy Security	0815 - 1000	<i>Discussions</i>
	0945 - 1030	<i>Welcome NMIOTC Command Brief</i>	0915 - 0945	Energy Security	1000	<i>Wrap Up – Closing Remarks</i>
	1030 - 1100	<i>NMIOTC's Background Brief</i>	0945 - 1015	Energy Security	1000 - 1015	<i>Coffee Break</i>
	1100 - 1130	VIP Opening Speech	1015 - 1045	<i>Coffee Break</i>	1015 - 1500	<u>Excursion to Knossos</u>
	1130 - 1200	<i>Coffee Break – Group Photo</i>	1045 - 1115	MIO in Strategic Chokepoints		1. <i>Visit – Guided Tour of the Minoan Palace (Heraklion)</i>
	1200 - 1230	Border Security	1115 - 1145	MIO in Strategic Chokepoints		2. <i>Visit – Guided Tour of the Venetian Old City of Rethymnon</i>
	1230 - 1300	Border Security	1145 - 1215	MIO in Strategic Chokepoints		3. <i>Lunch at the Venetian Old City of Rethymnon (not hosted)</i>
	1300 - 1400	<i>Snack Break</i>	1215 - 1315	<i>Snack Break</i>		4. <i>Return to Chania</i>
	1400 - 1430	Border Security	1315 - 1345	Civil Military Cooperation		<i>Travel Arrangements</i>
	1430 - 1500	Border Security	1345 - 1415	Civil Military Cooperation		
	1500 - 1515	<i>Coffee Break</i>	1415 - 1430	Civil Military Cooperation		
1930-2100	1515 - 1545	Border Security	1430 - 1500	Civil Military Cooperation		
<i>Icebreaker</i>	2000	<i>Hosted Dinner</i>	1500 - 1530	Final Debriefing		

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