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SUBJECT: **6th ANNUAL NMIOTC CONFERENCE – COORDINATION LETTER**

DATE: 07 May 2015

REFERENCE: A. NMIOTC 3000 NSC-67/ser.: NU 112, dated 31 Oct 2014
B. NMIOTC 3000 NSC-67ser/.: NU 23, dated 11 March 2015

1. **Introduction.** With the refs this Centre has announced the **6th Annual NMIOTC Conference**, which will take place at our premises in Souda Bay – Crete from the 2nd to the 4th of June 2015 with the support of University of Athens (UoA).

2. **Theme.** The Conference theme for this year is “**Current and Future Challenges to Energy Security in the Maritime Environment**” and, with this in mind, the agenda is being developed to take into account relevant requirements, priorities and concerns.

3. **Aim of the event.** The Annual NMIOTC Conference is a high-visibility open and non classified event, which will be conducted for the 6th time since 2010, having gained major international recognition and success throughout all past iterations. The event is, by its own nature, an open forum for discussion, dedicated to explore contemporary international maritime security issues, by gathering together major stake holders from the military, the commercial and the academic fields, thus providing opportunities for discussion and enhancing correlation between NATO and non-NATO actors. The upcoming 2015 Conference aims to provide opportunities to deepen and discuss issues related to the complexity of ensuring the safety and protection of Critical Energy Infrastructure in the Maritime Domain, proposals for the development of new and updated procedures and practices, as well as development of training objectives and guidelines related to this emerging security challenge.

4. **Schedule.** The draft list of speakers at the event as reported in Enclosure 1.

6. **Administrative Details.** Administrative requirements, arrangements and information as per Enclosure 2.

7. **Remarks.** More detailed and updated information will be always available at the website of the centre: www.nmiotc.gr

8. **Points of Contact .** For further information or clarifications please contact:

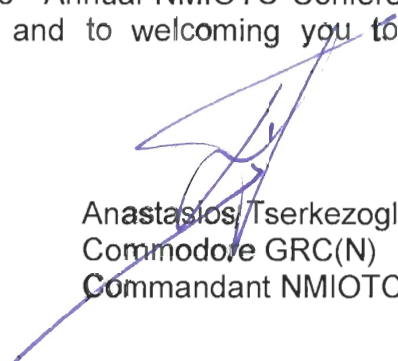
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9. Thanking you in advance for your support to the 6th Annual NMIOTC Conference, we look forward to an interesting and fruitful event, and to welcoming you to the picturesque and historical city of Chania.



Anastasios Tserkezoglou
Commodore GRC(N)
Commandant NMIOTC

ENCLOSURES:

1. Annual Conference Draft List of Speakers
2. Annual Conference Administrative Details
3. Annual Conference Joining Request Form
4. List of Recommended Hotels at Chania

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United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC)
UN Political Office for Somalia (UNPOS)
Department of Peacekeeping Operations
Office for Disarmament Affairs
Office of Legal Affairs

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German Armed Forces United Nations Training Centre (GE UN Trg Ctr), Germany
Hellenic Multinational Peace Support Operations Training Centre (MPSOTC), Greece
International Institute of Humanitarian Law (IIHL), Italy
Peace Operation Training Centre (POTC), Jordan
The Regional Department of Defence Resources Management Studies (DRESMARA), Romania
Crisis Management and Multinational Operations Department (CMMOD), Romania

Chemical, Biological, Radiological and Nuclear (CBRN) Training Centre, Serbia
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Swedish Armed Forces International Centre (SWEDINT), Sweden
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Switzerland
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DRAFT LIST OF SPEAKERS

- CDRE A. Tserkezoglou GRC N (NMIOTC Commandant)
“Welcome address”
- VADM A. Apostolakis GRC N (Hellenic Navy CHOD)
“Opening address”
- Dr Jamie Shea (NATO Deputy Assistant Secretary General)
“Keynote Speech”
- Vice Admiral James G. Foggo USN (Commander STRIKFORNATO, USN 6th Fleet)
“Keynote Speech”
- Mr James Bergeron (MARCOM POLAD)
“The Geo-Politics of Transatlantic Energy Security”
- Col G.Bagdonas (NATO ENSEC COE Director)
“NATO and Energy Security”
- Mr. Peter Cook (Chief of SAMI)
“Current and future challenges to Energy Security in the maritime environment”
- Dr Marcus Huben (Head of EU Presidency of the Contact Group on Piracy off the Coast of Somalia).
“The EU approach to the protection of maritime Critical Energy Infrastructure”
- Cdr B.Pacheco PRT N (PRT Naval Staff)
“Gulf of Guinea maritime criminality analysis with geographic information systems”
- Dr Peter Chalk (RAND Corporation)
“State collapse and weakness in Somalia and Yemen: the implications for Energy Security in the Gulf of Aden”
- Prof Kevin Jones (Executive Dean, Plymouth University)
“Maritime Cyber Threats”
- Mr Robert Hayes (Microsoft, Director Global Cyber Security & Data Protection Group)
“Understanding and mitigating cyber threats in the maritime domain – LL from other sectors”
- Dr Jassim Happa (Oxford University)
“Understanding and responding to cyber-attacks”
- Prof M. Gavouneli (University of Athens)
“Energy at Sea: Questions of Jurisdiction under the law of the sea”
- Prof Lorenzo Schiano di Pepe (University of Genoa)
“Protection of maritime Energy Installations”
- Dr Kiara Neri (University of Lyon)

- ***“The Legal Regulation of the Use of Force against Offshore Energy Installations”***
Dr Efthymios Papastavridis (University of Athens)
“The Arctic Sunrise case”
- Mr Stephen Caldwell (Former Director of maritime and supply security issues US accountability office)
“Global trends in threat economics and their implication for energy security”
- Dr Marina Skordeli (Director of Jean Monet European Centre of Excellence)
“Energy Security challenges and opportunities in the maritime environment”
- Mr George Kiourktsoglou (Greenwich University)
“Are there any oil terminals used by the self-proclaimed ISIS as export gateways for smuggled crude?”
- Mr Mathios Rigas (Energean Oil and Gas CEO)
“Hydrocarbon research in South East Mediterranean. Latest Developments”
- Prof Tony Foskolos (Geological Survey of Canada)
“The importance of Eastern Mediterranean Hydrocarbon Reserves for the European Union Energy Security”
- Mr Y. Papayianopoulos (Piraeus Port Security manager)
“Development of LNG facilities for marine bunkering, diversify NG sources and routes. Providing security of supply for SE Europe”
- Prof Jose Pavia (Director of Lusiada Research Centre)
“The maritime security in the Gulf of Guinea, the Energy security of Europe and the potential role of Portugal”
- Prof Dimitrios Dalaklis (World Maritime University)
“Maritime Energy Security Issues: The role of Suez Canal”
- Dr George Gougoulidis (Massachusetts Institute of Technology)
“Energy efficiency in Maritime Operations”
- Prof Graeme Heard (George C. Marshall Center)
“Energy security in the eastern Mediterranean and the rise of transnational threats and dilemmas”
- Ms Francesca de Rosa (NATO CMRE)
“Protection Measures for merchant ships: Piracy and armed robbery as a maritime energy security concern”
- Rear Admiral (ret) Massimo Anati (Chairman of the European WG for NLW)
“The role of Non Lethal Capabilities for the protection of Critical Energy Infrastructure”
- David Jarillo (FERPORTS project manager)
“Risks and interdependencies in the LNG supply chain”

Annual Conference Administrative Details

1. **Participants.** Application for participation is open to all interested attendees, such as officers and civilians from NATO and EU entities, NATO and EU countries and Partner Nations representing their Navy, Coast Guard or Port Police services, Law Enforcement experts, and officials from other relevant organizations and third-party countries. Speakers from military organizations and academia will present their views on this year's conference theme, 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 who you deem relevant and interested in attending.
2. **Attire.** The attire for the Conference will be summer service uniform for military personnel and smart casual (jacket & tie) for civilians.
3. **Registration.** Participants are kindly requested to submit the respective Annual Conference Joining Request Form as per Enclosure 3, no later than the 20th of May 2015. A confirmation message will be sent within three working days.
4. **Classification:** None.
5. **Conference fee.** The Conference fee is 135€ per attendee and will include coffee, refreshments during the breaks, three (3) buffet lunches, transportation, and participation in social events (icebreaker and official dinner). An additional fee of 50€ for spouses will be required, should they wish to participate in the Spouse's Program. The respective fees should be paid in cash on the first day of the event at the registration desk, where an official receipt will be provided.
6. **Social program.** NMIOTC will organise for all participants for an Icebreaker on Tuesday the 2nd and an official dinner on the evening of Wednesday the 3rd of June 2015. An excursion to the Knossos Archaeological site (optional) will be organized after completion of the Conference, on Friday the 5th of June, for those attendees who intend to prolong their stay in Crete. Details of all social events will be provided in due time.
7. **Visa Requirements.** Participants or their sending authorities are responsible for visa arrangements for their personnel. It is advisable to contact the respective embassies/consulates in Greece or the Greek Military Attachés at the Greek Embassies in their respective capitals, for relevant information.
8. **Lodging and Transportation.** Although attendees are responsible for the arrangement of their own accommodations and transportation to and from the airport, NMIOTC can provide guidance if requested. Transportation to and from the NMIOTC premises and specified pick-up points in the city of Chania will be provided during the conference. Detailed joining instructions will be issued in due time. Participants are responsible for their own transportation from/to the Airport during arrival and departure day. NMIOTC will provide transportation only from/to specific pick-up points in Chania city center to NMIOTC's premises and vice-versa on a daily basis, during the conference.
9. **Security Instructions:** The conference has no classification. However, NMIOTC applies security issues according to NATO standards to the designated areas.

9. **Badging process:** A welcome package that includes security badge and all the necessary information will be delivered to the participants that are accommodated to the recommended hotels upon their arrival. Else, the welcome package will be provided at the NMIOTC main entrance. There is a strict access control to enter Marathi main gate and NMIOTC main building. You will be required to carry your security badge along with your passport or your national identification card during check in and your presence in NMIOTC.

10. **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.



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6th Annual NMIOTC Conference Joining Request Form

(please read carefully the instructions below prior to filling out the form)

PERIOD: 02-04 June 2015

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First Name (*)	
Middle Initials	
Sex (*)	
Nationality (*)	
Military Rank / Title for Civilians (*)	
Organization / Branch / Service (*)	
Title of duty position (*)	
Date of Birth	
ID No/Passport No (*)	
Tel (*)	
E-mail (*)	
Accompanied by spouse / family	
Non paper drafting contribution	

TRAVELLING INFORMATION

Travel Mode to NMIOTC (*)	
Arrival Date (*)	
Departure Date (*)	
Accommodation (*)	
Rental Car	

COMMENTS / REMARKS

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INSTRUCTIONS

- Information marked as (*) is mandatory.
- This form must be completed in capital letters, saved as **Annual NMIOTC Conference_Surname_Rank.Doc** and be submitted to :
 - studentadmin@miohc.grc.nato.int into NU-WAN, or
 - ariatzis@miohc.grc.nato.int, or
 - FAX: +30 28210 85702 to NMIOTC Admin Officer, Lt JG Konstantinos Papanastasis GRC(N).
- If information on a field is not applicable or not yet determined can be filled with **N/A** or **TBD** respectively.

LIST OF RECOMMENDED HOTELS IN CHANIA

HOTEL / CATEGORY	PRICE FOR STANDARD ROOM	AMENITIES	TELEPHONE/ URL/ E MAIL
SAMARIA****	105 €	Breakfast, free internet, parking, swimming pool	Tel.:+30 28210 38600 / www.samariahhotel.gr / info@samariahhotel.gr
KYDON ****	77 €	Breakfast, free internet, parking	Tel.:+30 28210 52280 / www.kydon-hotel.com / info@Kydon-hotel.gr
ROYALSUN****	74 €	Breakfast, gym, internet, parking, laundry swimming pool, transfer to city (all free of charge)	Tel.:+30 28210 20160 www.royalsunhotel.com hotelroyalsun@gmail.com
AKALI ****	74 €	Breakfast, free internet, parking, swimming pool	Tel.: +30 28210 92872 / www.akali-hotel.gr info@akali-hotel.gr
PORTO VENEZIANO ***	79 €	Breakfast, free internet	Tel.:+30 28210 27100 / www.portoveneziano.gr / hotel@portoveneziano.gr
ARKADI***	55 €	Breakfast, free internet, parking	Tel.:+30 28210 90181 / www.arkadi-hotel.gr / info@arkadi-hotel.gr

NOTIFICATION:

Prices have been negotiated especially for NMIOTC's guests and apply to participants only for direct booking by e-mail to the hotel reservation manager. Notify each hotel that you are **NMIOTC Guest**. **NMIOTC** can provide guidance / assistance, if needed.