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TO: See Distribution List

SUBJECT: Calling Notice for NATO EOD Staff Officer Training (NATO EOD SOT) - Slovakia, 1–12 April 2019.

DATE: 8 January 2019

1. Based on the NATO/IPC customers demand on education and training in EOD area, the NATO EOD COE delivers the **NATO EOD Staff Officer Training (NATO EOD SOT)**.
2. NATO/IPC nations are invited to attend the NATO EOD SOT, which will take place in Trencin, Slovakia from **1 – 12 April 2019**.
3. Deadline for registration is **15 February 2019**. The maximum number of seats available on the course is limited to **16 students**.
4. The NATO EOD SOT course is designed to educate and train non-qualified EOD staff officers to achieve basic level of proficiency IAW NATO and UN standards. EOD staff officer is able to plan, prepare, command, control and coordinate EOD operations within multinational operations at Battalion and Brigade levels of command.
5. The NATO EOD SOT is recorded in NATO Education and Training Opportunities Catalogue (ETOC) as **NATO approved course** (course code MEG-EO-31596). All of the latest course details are posted on the NATO EOD COE website: <https://eodcoe.org/en/education-training/education-individual-training-et-activities-2019/nato-eodsot/>
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A. NATO EOD SOT Administrative Guidance

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**ANNEX A**

to Calling Notice for NATO EOD SOT, 1-12APR2019

**ADMINISTRATIVE GUIDANCE**

**1. GENERAL OVERVIEW**

a) Scope:

The NATO EOD COE in Trencin, Slovakia, will deliver the NATO EOD SOT from Monday 1 April to Friday 12 April 2019 (2 weeks). The first week will be dedicated to the EOD standards and procedures and the second week will be focused on practical training and exercises.

The ADL (Advanced Distance Learning) phase is an integral part of the course. The eLessons will be available to selected students via internet from **4 March 2019**. Every student is obliged to attend the eLessons and pass a final test. After successful completion of the eLearning phase, the certificate will be available for download. Completion of the eLearning phase is required **NLT Thursday 28 March 2019**. Every attendant is supposed to submit the eLearning course completion certificate during in processing.

**Important: The certificate is necessary for attending the next two weeks of the course!**

b) Aim:

The NATO EOD SOT course is designed to educate and train non-qualified EOD staff officers to achieve basic level of proficiency IAW NATO standards. EOD staff officer is able to plan, prepare, command, control and coordinate EOD operations within multinational operations at Battalion and Brigade levels of command.

c) Target Audience:

NATO and IPC personnel serving or intent to serve in EOD or EOD related positions.

1. OF-1 to OF-4 level and senior staff NCOs serving in HQs.
2. Language skills: IAW STANAG 6001, an adequate understanding of written and spoken English is expected from the course attendees. SLP 2222 is recommended as the minimum level of proficiency.

d) Performance Objectives:

1. Applies Explosive Ordnance (EO) related Risk & Threat Management.
2. Comprehends the EOD capabilities and limitations on multinational deployments.
3. Manages EOD activities in support of multinational operations.

e) Security Classification:

The Security Clearance for the course is NATO Unclassified.

f) Training Area:

The NATO EOD COE SOT will be organized and delivered at the NATO EOD COE premises.

## 2. EXECUTION

Attendees are expected to arrive to Trenčin, Slovakia (attendee's responsibility) **NLT Monday 1 April 2019.**

The Course will be finished NLT 12:00 hrs. on Friday 12 April 2019.

a) Registration:

Nations applying for seats on this course should follow the instructions listed below:

1. Registration can only be done electronically through the EOD COE web page at the following link: <https://eodcoe.org/en/education-training/education-individual-training-et-activities-2019/nato-eodsot/>
2. In case of any problems, contact the EOD COE Point of Contact (Admin) by e-mail.
3. The registration deadline is set on **15 February 2019. Registration Forms submitted after the deadline will not be accepted.**
4. All applicants will receive a confirmation letter or a regret letter from the Admin **NLT 22 February 2019. It is highly recommended that no applicant start managing the arrangements before receiving the confirmation of admission to the course!**

b) In-processing:

In processing will be carried out from **07:30 to 08:00AM** at the NATO EOD COE – Olbrachtova 5, Trenčin, Slovakia on the first day of the course.

Each attendee should be in possession of:

- ID card (e.g. passport) as listed in the registration form,
- NATO Travel Order or equivalent.

c) Course fee:

A course administration fee of 157 € per attendee will be collected on the first day of the course. Course fee does not apply for students from the NATO EOD COE Sponsoring Nations (CZE, SVK, HUN, POL, and ROU).

d) Dress code:

BDU for military personnel (no helmet, no weapon).

## 3. SERVICE SUPPORT

a) Transportation:

**Arrival by air / bus / train:**

The recommended airport is Vienna (Austria). To reach the city of Trenčín attendees can use a rental car or public transportation means (bus, train).

Bus/train itineraries (schedules) can be found on the following web page:

- <https://cp.hnonline.sk/bus/spojenie/> (please note that information is available in English and German language as well).

b) Accommodation:

The attendees are supposed to arrange the hotel reservations in the city of Trenčin on their own since it is not the NATO EOD COE responsibility.

c) Meals:

There will be 90 minutes' lunch-break in everyday schedule. There are plenty of restaurants in a walking distance from the training room.

d) Real life information:

Slovakia is part of European Union; currency is Euro.

Important numbers:

State emergency – all services: 112

Ambulance: 155

Fire brigade: 150

Police: 158

