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SUBJECT: Calling Notice for NATO EOD Staff Officer Training (NATO EOD SOT) -

Poland, 31 March - 11 April 2025.

DATE: January 2025

1. Based on the NATO/IP customers' demand for education and training in the EOD area, the NATO EOD COE delivers the NATO EOD Staff Officer Training (NATO EOD SOT).

- 2. NATO/IP nations are invited to attend the NATO EOD SOT, which will take place at the Military Engineering and CBRN Training Centre in Wroclaw, Poland, on 31 March - 11 April 2025.
- 3. The deadline for registration is 14 February 2025. The maximum number of seats available on the course is limited to 16 students.
- 4. The NATO EOD SOT is designed to educate and train non-qualified EOD staff officers to achieve a basic level of proficiency IAW NATO and UN standards. EOD staff officer is able to plan, prepare, command, control and coordinate EOD operations within MN operations at Battalion and Brigade levels of command.
- 5. The NATO Education and Training Opportunities Catalogue (ETOC) records the NATO EOD SOT as an approved course (course code MEG-EO-31596). All of the latest course details are posted on the NATO EOD COE website: https://www.eodcoe.org/en/education-training/education-individual-training-eit-activities-2025/nato-eod-sot/
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ANNEX A

to Calling Notice for NATO EOD SOT, 31 MAR -11 APR 2025

ADMINISTRATIVE GUIDANCE

1. GENERAL OVERVIEW

a) Scope:

The NATO EOD COE in Trencin, Slovakia, will deliver the NATO EOD SOT from Monday 31 March to Friday 11 April 2025 (2 weeks). The first week will be dedicated to the EOD standards and procedures, and the second will focus on practical training and exercises.

The ADL (Advanced Distributed Learning) phase is integral to the course. The e-Lessons will be available to selected students online starting on 10 March 2025. Every student is obliged to attend the e-Lessons and pass a final test. Completion of the eLearning phase is required NLT on 24 March 2025.

Important: Successful completion of the ADL test is the fundamental precondition for attending the course!

b) Aim:

The NATO EOD SOT is designed to educate and train non-qualified EOD staff officers to achieve a 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/IP nation's personnel serving or intent to serve in EOD or EOD-related positions will be accepted IAW the NATO EOD COE seats allocation policy.

- 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) <u>Performance Objectives:</u>

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

e) <u>Security Classification:</u>

The Security Clearance for the course is NATO Unclassified.

f) Training Area:

The NATO EOD COE SOT will be organised and delivered at the Military Engineering and CBRN Training Center, Wroclaw, Poland.

2. EXECUTION

Attendees are expected to arrive at the Military Engineering and CBRN Training Center, 108 Obornicka Street, Wroclaw, Poland (attendee's responsibility) NLT 07:30 on Monday 31 March 2025.

The Course will be finished NLT 12:00 on Friday, 11 April 2025.

a) Registration:

Participants 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://www.eodcoe.org/en/education-training/education-individual-training-eit-activities-2025/nato-eod-sot/
- 2. In case of any issues, contact the EOD COE Point of Contact (Admin) by e-mail.
- 3. Do not begin the registration process without resolving your course financing.
- 4. The registration deadline is set on 14 February 2025. Registration Forms submitted after the deadline will not be accepted.
- 5. All applicants will receive a confirmation or regret letter from the Admin **NLT** on **21 February 2025.** It is strongly advised that no applicant starts managing arrangements before receiving confirmation of acceptance to the course!

b) <u>In-processing:</u>

In-processing will occur from **08:00 to 08:45 AM** on the first day of the course at the Military Engineering and CBRN Training Center, Wroclaw, Poland.

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 is 160 € per attendee. The method of payment will be indicated in the Confirmation Letter. Course fees do not apply to students from the NATO EOD COE Sponsoring Nations (CZE, HUN, POL, ROU and SVK) and NCS.

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 Warsaw, Poland. To reach the city of Wroclaw, attendees can use a rental car or public transportation (bus, train).

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

- https://www.e-podroznik.pl;
- https://www.pkp.pl/pl/home;

The attendees can also find direct flights to Wroclaw, Poland.

b) Accommodation:

The attendees are supposed to arrange hotel reservations in Wroclaw independently since it is not the NATO EOD COE's responsibility.

The recommended accommodation facility is Haston Congress Center (http://www.haston.pl/en/gallery/congress-center/), from which the transportation to the Military Engineering and CBRN Training Center will be organized within the whole duration of the course by the NATO EOD COE's shuttle bus.

c) Meals

There will be a 90-minutes lunch break in the everyday schedule. There are several restaurants near the training room: PROST (https://www.browarprost.pl/), Jasek Premium (https://www.browarprost.pl/)), Jasek Premium (https://www.browarprost.pl/)), Jasek Premium (https://www.browarprost.pl/)), Paczka Smaków (https://www.browarprost.pl/)).

The attendees can also eat in the military canteen.

d) Real-life information:

The currency in Poland is the Polish Zloty (PLN).

Important numbers:

State emergency – all services: 112

Ambulance: 999 Fire brigade: 998

Police: 997

