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Spanish Lieutenant General Luis Lanchares Dávila, New HQ JFC Brunssum Deputy Commander

Lieutenant General Luis Lanchares has been appointed as Deputy Commander (DCOM) of the Headquarters Allied Joint Force Command Brunssum (HQ JFC Brunssum), in a ceremony presided over by General Jörg Vollmer, HQ Commander.

The DCOM position at HQ JFC Brunssum rotates between Spain and the United Kingdom.



The Spanish Verification Unit (UVE) assess the Peruvian Army on ammunitions and ammodepots

Members of the Spanish Verification Unit (UVE) have participated in an assessment of ammunition depots and ammo in Peru at the request of AMAT (Ammunition Management Advisory Team) -depending on the GICHD (Geneva International Centre for Humanitarian Demining)-and the Peruvian Army.

The evaluation process included several meetings with different members of the Peruvian Army.



SNMCMG-2





Spanish vessels integrated into the SNMCMG-2 paid tribute to the fallen during the Battle of Lepanto, fought in 1571

Spain's Defence Staff HQ has multiple channels to disseminate StratCom, like its own Youtube channel, where everyone can get an approach to all operations and deployments where the Spanish Armed Forces are involved in.

In this video, you can watch BAM 'Rayo', SNMCMG-2 flagship, and mine hunter 'Segura', commemorating at sea, the 450th anniversary of the Battle of Lepanto.

Enhanced Forward Presence





Spanish contingent took part in exercise 'Winter Shield' carried out at Camp Adazi in Latvia

Exercise 'Winter Shield' is, after 'Silver Arrow', the most important drill for the eFP Latvian Brigade. The exercise, led by the 1st Battalion of the Latvian Brigade, included three live-fire drills and the participation of the US Army 3rd Battalion from the 66th Armored Regiment.

The Spanish contingent deployed, among other assets, 'Pizarro' IFV's, 'Leopard' MBT's, Light vehicles equipped with 'Spike' missiles and engineer units.

CAOC - Torrejón





CAOC-TJ Commander certifies the operational capability of Italian aircraft deployed in NATO's eAP Romania

CAOC Torrejón Commander, Lieutenant General Fernando de la Cruz, certified the full operability of the Italian detachment. Until the end of march, the Italian aircraft deployed in Romania, will be under tactical control of CAOC-TJ.

Spain contributed for the first time to NATO's eAP mission in Romania, during the months of February and March, 2021.





EUROPEAN

EUTM - Mali



The Spanish Army begins the rotation of troops deployed within EUTM-Mali

With the departure of the last components of EUTM Mali XVIII and the arrival of troops belonging to "Galicia" VII Brigade, the Spanish contingent is renewing its personnel deployed in Mali.

The units relieved were, the NH90 helicopter unit (ITAT), which provides air transportation capabilities to the mission, and the force protection unit.

EU NAVFOR ATALANTA





EU NAVFOR Force Commander, Spanish Rear Admiral Alejandro Cuerda, hands over the command of ATALANTA Forces in Diibouti

On Tuesday, 14th December 2021, EU NAVFOR Force Commander, Rear Admiral Alejandro Cuerda handed back command of Operation Atalanta Forces to the Operation Commander, Vice Admiral José M. Núñez Torrente.

A farewell ceremony was held on board ESPS Victoria, presided by the Force Commander and the Commanding Officer of the 'Victoria', Commander Rafael Mira Calvo.

EUTM - Somalia





<u>Spanish advisors in EUTM-Somalia HQ lead a</u> course on management of operations

Advisors belonging to the Spanish Army, appointed to the EUTM-HQ in Mogadishu, have led and managed a course addressed to personnel belonging to the Somalian Army Joint Operation Centre.

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UNITED

UNIFIL (Lebanon)





BRILIB XXXVI begins its work on Lebanese soil after the transfer of authority ceremony hosted at Sector East Brigade HQ in Marjayoun

In compliance with the provisions of Resolution 1701, the Spanish troops belonging to BRILIB XXXVI handed over from BRILIB XXXV. The current contingent is mostly made up with personnel of units from the Canary Islands Command.

The Multinational Sector East Brigade, led by Spain, is made up of roughly 3,500 troops of 8 different nationalities; 600 of them are Spaniards.

Spanish Armed Forces Deployment Map















