



## SPANISH CHIEF OF DEFENCE PRESENTED THE 2026 ARMED FORCES DAY

### INTERNATIONAL MILITARY AGENDA



#### THE JOINT SPECIAL OPERATIONS COMMAND HAS TAKEN PART IN THE MULTINATIONAL EXERCISE 'FLINTLOCK 26'

The Spanish Joint Special Operations Command has coordinated the participation of Spanish special operations forces from the Army and Navy in the 'Flintlock 26' exercise.

Special operations forces from several countries enhanced their interoperability and cooperation in a demanding combined environment. The exercise was command by the US Special Operations Command Africa (SOCAF).



#### SPANISH CHOD SIGNED A COOPERATION AGREEMENT ON CYBER DEFENCE WITH NATO

The Chief of Defence, Admiral Teodoro E. López Calderón, acting on behalf of the Minister of Defence, Margarita Robles, signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) on cooperation in cyber defence with the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation.

This took place during the visit of the Deputy Secretary General of the Alliance's Cyber and Digital Transformation Division.



## SEA GUARDIAN



### THE SUBMARINE 'GALERNA' JOINED NATO'S NOBLE SHIELD OPERATION FOR THE FIRST TIME

This has been the Galerna first participation in this operational theatre and the second for a Spanish submarine, the first was the submarine Isaac Peral, last March.

The Galerna has contributed to strength security and control of the maritime environment, demonstrating the Spanish firm commitment to maintaining its contribution to allied operations in the Mediterranean sea.

## FLF. ROMANIA



### THE SPANISH MARINE CORPS HAS DEPLOYED ITS AMPHIBIOUS CAPABILITIES DURING THE SEA SHIELD 26 EXERCISE

The Spanish Marines Corps operated jointly with Romania's 307th Marine Infantry Regiment and units from France.

The exercise has brought together 2,500 personnel from 13 allied nations — Bulgaria, Germany, Greece, Spain, Italy, Canada, The Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Romania, United States, Turkey and France. In addition, it has involved the deployment of 48 vessels, 64 combat vehicles and 20 unmanned systems.

## PERSISTENT EFFORT



### THE 'VILKAS' TACTICAL AIR DETACHMENT ENDED ITS BALTIC AIR POLICING MISSION IN LITHUANIA

After four months of intense activity, the 'Vilkas' Tactical Air Detachment concluded its mission commanding the Baltic Air Policing (BAP) in Lithuania.

As an essential component of NATO's Persistent Effort Operation, the Spanish aircrew have led surveillance of the eastern flank, whilst providing key capabilities to Eastern Sentry Operation, which was activated after several violations of the allied airspace by unidentified drones.



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## UAMAM-UCRANIA



### THE GUARDIA CIVIL TRAINED UKRAINIAN MILITARY PERSONNEL AT ITS FACILITIES IN LOGROÑO

The Special Training Centre (CAE in Spanish) concluded the eighth training rotation as part of the European Union’s military assistance mission to Ukraine.

The training course was adjusted towards improving the individual and collective tactics, techniques and procedures (TTP) of special operations units and was designed to provide trainees with the knowledge and skills necessary to carry out the missions they will undertake in their home country more effectively.



## EU NAVFOR – ATALANTA



### THE VALUE OF THE ‘ORION’ DETACHMENT, THE AIR CAPABILITY IN OPERATION ‘ATALANTA’

In the complex scenario of the Horn of Africa, the effectiveness of Operation EUNAVFOR ‘Atalanta’ does not lie only in the presence of ships. The scope of the mission is underpinned by an element that broadens the field of view and speeds up the response: the air capability. The D.4 VIGMAR aircraft, operated by the ‘Orion’ Tactical Air Detachment, is a key element that enables the surveillance of vast areas that no single vessel could cover on her own.



## COORDINATED MARITIME PRESENCES



### OPV FUROR STRENGTHENED MARITIME COOPERATION WITH NIGERIA DURING HER PORT CALL IN LAGOS

Upon her arrival, the vessel welcomed aboard the Spanish Ambassador to the Federal Republic of Nigeria, Félix Costales Artieda, and a working meeting was held on board with military authorities from the Nigerian Navy’s Western Naval Command.

In addition, the crew of the ‘Furor’ made several high-level institutional visits to key organisations in the country, such as the Western Naval Command, the Apapa Port Authority and the Nigerian Maritime Administration and Safety Agency.



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