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HUMANITARIAN AID TO EARTHQUAKE VICTIMS IN TÜRKEYE

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INTERNATIONAL MILITARY AGENDA



AIR-NAVAL AMPHIBIOUS GROUP 'DEDALO 23' SETS COURSE FOR TÜRKIYE

Following the catastrophic consequences of the earthquake in Türkiye and Syria in the early hours of 6 FEB, Spain 'DEDALO 23' Air-Naval Amphibious Group - deployed in the Mediterranean since 16 JAN - set course for the Turkish coast, ready to provide support and humanitarian aid to the victims.

Among the vessels is the 'Galicia', a veteran of the humanitarian operations: Hurricane Mitch in Central America in 1998 and the Indonesian tsunami in 2005.

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EXPEDITIONARY COMBAT GROUP 'DEDALO 23' TAKES PART IN 'NEPTUNE STRIKE 23.1'

From Monday 20 FEB until 27 FEB, the Navy vessels integrated in the Expeditionary Battle Group 'DEDALO 23' has participated in the exercise 'Neptune Strike 2023. 1'. In this edition, in addition to the aircraft carrier battle group 'Juan Carlos I', the US aircraft carrier strike group (CSG) 'Georges HW Bush' and the Italian 'Cavour' are also taking part.

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NATO Standing Maritime Group 1 (SNMG1)



FRIGATE 'ÁLVARO DE BAZÁN' INTEGRATED IN SNMG1

Frigate 'Álvaro de Bazán' sailed towards the Norwegian Sea to join Standing NATO Maritime Group 1(SNMG1). The deployment will last around 4 and a half months. The frigate's main mission is showing Spain's commitment to the Atlantic Alliance and defend national and allied interests. Together with the other vessels of the Group, the 'Alvaro de Bazán' will offer its capabilities to act and keep a permanent naval presence in the designated areas, thus contributing to NATO's deterrence and defence posture.

NATO'S OPERATION SUPPORT TO TÜRKIYE





PATRIOT CONTINGENT CONTINUES ITS MISSION AND CONTRIBUTES TO THE INTERNATIONAL EARTHQUAKE MITIGATION RESPONSE

The Spanish contingent deployed at the Incirlik Air Base (Adana) -17th A/T contingent – supported with means and personnel the Military Emergency Unit (UME, in Spanish) teams, as well as the Emergency and Immediate Response team of Madrid (ERICAM, in Spanish).

They also assisted in the organization of pre-deployment rescue teams in the areas assigned by Turkish authorities.

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VISIT OF THE COMMANDER OF THE ALLIED AIR COMMAND HEADQUARTERS TO THE COMBINED AIR OPERATIONS CENTER TORREJON

The commander of NATO's Allied Command Air Command (COM AIRCOM) Headquarters Europe, General (USAF) James B. Hecker, has made his first official visit to the Combined Air Operations Center Torrejón.

Gen. James B. Hecker has been briefed on the operational situation in the Combined Air Operations Center (CAOCT) area of responsibility.





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EUNAVFOR 'ATALANTA'

FORCE COMMANDER HAND OVER-TAKE OVER OF THE SPANISH CONTINGENT IN THE EUTM-SOMALIA MISSION

Spain is firmly committed to advancing along the lines set out by the Global Strategy for the Foreign and Security Policy of the European Union, supporting the missions and operations of the Common Security and Defense Policy, through its participation in all the training missions of the European Union. Our security is not only built within our borders, but in a scenario as distant as Somalia, Spain contributes to deal with threats to national interests at source.



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SPAIN TAKES COMMAND OF THE FORCE IN OPERATION 'ATALANTA'

The Vice Admiral of the Navy, José María Núñez Torrente, operations commander of EUNAVFOR ATALANTA, presided the handover of the Force Command, between Commodore Nuno Filipe Cortes Lopes, of the Portuguese Navy, and Captain Juan María Ibáñez Martín, in the port of Suda on board the frigates 'Santa María' and 'Reina Sofía'.

More info at EUNAVFOR website @



EUTM MOZAMBIQUE WELCOMES THE CHAIRMAN OF THE EUROPEAN UNION MILITARY COMMITTEE.

The European Union Training Mission Mozambique (EUTM MOZ) Mission Force Commander, Commodore Martins de Brito, welcomed the Chairman of the European Union Military Committee (EUMC), General Robert Brieger, to the Headquarters and the Training Camp in Katembe. Spain is actively participating in this mission with two officers at EUTM MOZ-HQ.



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UNIFIL (LEBANON)



SPANISH MILITARY PERSONNEL CONTINUE TO IMPROVE THE LIVING CONDITIONS OF THE POPULATION IN SOUTHERN LEBANON

The Spanish Brigade in Lebanon continues to carry out civil-military cooperation actions (CIMIC) in the south of the country. The CIMIC unit and the Veterinary Service of the Spanish contingent went to the Hasbayya Public Hospital to carry out a review of pest control, which had been carried out in that hospital in December.

On the same day, the CIMIC unit of the Spanish contingent also delivered a donation of medical and pharmaceutical material to the Meiss ej Jebel Social Development Centre. The donated material came from Spanish medical and pharmaceutical centres such as the "La Inmaculada" Public Hospital in Huercal-Overa, the "San Cecilio" University Clinical Hospital in Granada, the Lasso Pharmacy in Granada and the Blood Transfusion Centre in Almeria.

