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International Military Agenda



<u>Chief of Defense Staff visits Spanish contingent</u> stationed at the Koulikoro Training Centre in Mali

The Chief of Defence Staff, Air General Miguel Villarroya, visited Spanish troops deployed to EUTM-Mali.

On the occasion of the change of command ceremony within EUTM Mali, Spanish troops stationed at the Koulikoro Training Centre were visited by the Spanish Chief of Defence Staff.



Spanish Armed Forces will participate in NATO's Air Policing mission in Romania, for the first time

Spanish aircrafts will watch over Romanian air space throughout February and March.

The Spanish Armed Forces are a regular contributor to NATO's air policing. In addition to patrolling national airspace under NATO's Combined Air Operations Centre (CAOC) in Torrejón, Spain; the Spanish Air Force has also carried out seven deployments leading and enhancing NATO's Air Policing in the Baltic States.





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NATO eFP Latvia

Frigate 'Cristóbal Colón' sets off to resume its integration within NATO's Standing naval group 2

Spanish frigate 'Cristobal Colón' (F-105) sets off today, after finishing its winter dispersal in Ferrol's dockyard, in order to continue its mission as joint naval group's flagship.

During its integration, frigate 'Cristóbal Colón' will contribute to operations by providing a high capability for defence and air detection thanks to its AEGIS combat system and the SPY-1D (V) multifunction radar.

<u>Spanish military from the 'Aragón' Brigade takes</u> over within NATO's mission in Latvia

The Adazi base in Latvia has witnessed the transfer of authority of the Spanish contingent within NATO's enhanced Forward Presence mission.

Troops from the 'Guadarrama' XII Brigade handed over to the 'Aragón' I Brigade, (eFP VIII) with headquarters located at St. Jorge Base in Zaragoza.

Defence Staff Headquarters



<u>Spanish Chief of Joint Staff hosts NATO's Allied</u> Land Forces Commander

Chief of Joint Staff, Lieutenant-General Fernando García González-Valerio, hosted NATO's Allied Land Forces Commander, Lieutenant-General Roger L. Cloutier (US Army), at the Defence Staff HQ in Madrid.

LTG Cloutier arrived in Spain on Jan 26th to visit NATO Rapid Deployable Corps (NRDC) ESP located in Valencia.





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EUTM RCA

<u>Spanish Air Force P-3M aircraft deployed to</u> <u>Djibouti reaches 10,000 flight hours within</u> <u>Operation Atalanta</u>

The P₃M plane belonging to the 11th Wing, deployed in Djibouti, reaches that figure after twelve years of countering piracy off the coast of Somalia.

The P.3M-og landed at the French Base BA188 "Colonel Massart" in Djibouti, successfully completing mission number 7291 on this operation and reaching 10,000 flight hours of the P.3M in Operation Atalanta.

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<u>Spanish troops in EUTM RCA distribute pediatric</u> medicines donated by COFARES foundation

The Spanish mission within EUTM RCA distributes 533 kilos of medicines for the children of the Saint Jean de Galabadja Health Center in Bangui.

Director of the St. Jean de Galabadja Salesian Community, Father Jean Claude Kikonde Komba, which includes a parish, a school for 1,200 students and a health centre, all free of charge, has deeply appreciated this donation.

EUTM MALI





Brigadier General Fernando Gracia takes over as new EUTM Mali Force Commander

Since Jan. 12th Brigadier General Fernando Gracia heads during the first semester of 2021 the training mission of the EU in Mali. This is the third time that Spain assumes the lead on this mission. Spain is the largest contributor of forces (24%) in EUTM Mali.

Spanish troops are mostly deployed in the town of Koulikoro, northeast of Bamako, capital of Mali.



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UNIFIL (Lebanon)



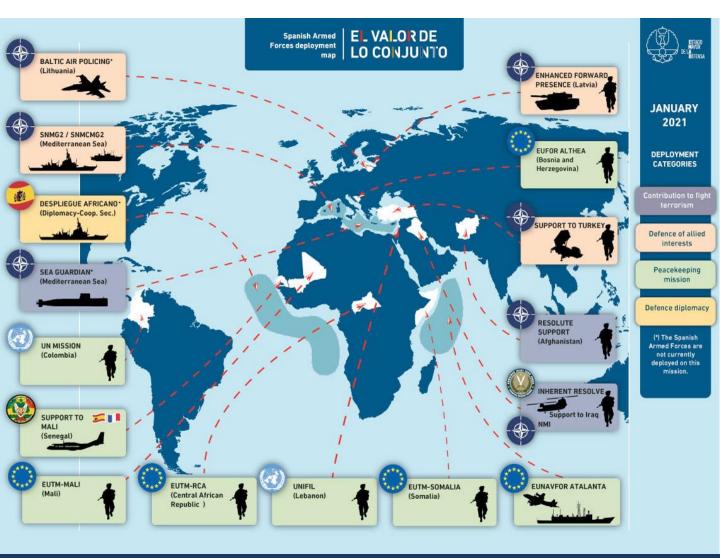
<u>UNIFIL's Force Commander visits Spanish troops</u> <u>deployed in the country</u>

Italian General, Stefano del Col highligted the excellent work done at Sector East and praised Spanish leadership.

General Miragaya welcomed yesterday, for the first time as head of Sector East, UNIFIL's Force Commander, Italian General Stefano del Col.

During his visit, UNIFIL's Force Commander had a briefing update on Sector East's current situation.

Spanish Armed Forces Deployment Map



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