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SUBJECT: CALLING NOTICE FOR NATO MOUNTAIN WARFARE COURSES IN 2023

1. **Background.** The NATO Mountain Warfare Centre of Excellence (NATO MW COE) will organize the following courses in 2023:

- a. **Mountain Warfare Small Units Leader Course (MW SULC)**, Course Code: LOP-LO-35586:
 - **28AUG-8SEP23** in Knin, CROATIA (Basic MW SULC);
 - **18SEP-29SEP23** in Szklarska Poręba, POLAND;
 - **6NOV-17NOV23** in Poljče, SLOVENIA.
- b. **Mountain Warfare Staff Officer Course (MW SOC)**, Course Code: LOP-LO-35516:
 - **5JUN-16JUN23** in Poljče, SLOVENIA.

Participants are expected a day prior first day of the course (on Sunday) when course in-processing will be conducted. All the participants should be prepared to begin classes on Monday morning at 0800 hrs.

2. **Purpose.** The main purpose of the courses is to prepare participants to conduct NATO operations in mountainous terrain. Officers and Non-Commissioned Officers (NCOs) will be provided with knowledge, required for the successful and effective movement, surviving, planning and leading operations in the mountains, taking into consideration the specific impact of difficult terrain and conditions on joint functions. For more information see ANNEX 1: NATO MW COE Events Catalogue 2023.

3. **Attendance:**

- a. MW SULC: OR 3-9, OF 1-2, TEAM/PLT and COY leadership personnel/commanders;
- b. MW Staff Officer Course: OR 8-9, OF 1-4, battalion and brigade leadership, NCOs and SOs from different branches.
- c. Prerequisite Courses: Prior to attending the courses, the course participants are requested to complete two e-Learning courses, provided by NATO MW COE:
 - Basic Mountain Environment Characteristics;
 - Combat Functions in Mountain Warfare.

Both courses are placed on the website: <https://jadr.act.nato.int/ILIAS>. (Web path: CATEGORIES/ CENTRES OF EXCELLENCE (COEs)/ NATO MOUNTAIN WARFARE CENTRE OF EXCELLENCE/ EDUCATION AND TRAINING) and on <https://e-learning.mwcoe.org/>.

4. **Security Classification and Language:** The programme is not classified and is releasable to the public. The course will be held in English language. There will be no translation services available during the course.

Language Proficiency: English SLP 2222 - STANAG 6001.

5. **Dress Code:** The appropriate dress for the course is combat/battle dress uniform, suitable for the season of the year, and enabling participants to work in scheduled activities. A list of needed equipment will be sent to the course applicants, when the details related to the attendance will be available.

6. **Administrative Instructions:** Detailed instructions are provided in ANNEX 2.

7. **Registration:** All participants must register by completing the Application Form on time, ANNEX 3 and send it to adrian.cudalbu@mwcoe.org; zeljko.papazovic@mwcoe.org and sebastjan.silar@mwcoe.org or by filling in the application on our website <https://www.mwcoe.org/education-and-training/courses/course-calendar-and-registration/>

- **Basic MW SULC** 28AUG-8SEP23 in HRV, application NLT 11AUG23;
- **MW SULC** 18SEP-29SEP23 in POL, application NLT 25AUG23;
- **MW SULC** 6NOV-17NOV23 in SVN, application NLT 20OCT23;
- **MW SOC** 5JUN-16JUN23 in SVN, application NLT 19MAY23.

8. **Covid-19 Precaution Measures:** Current entry requirements to the Republic of Croatia, the Republic of Poland or the Republic of Slovenia must be follow by participants.

9. **Points of Contact:**

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Yours sincerely,

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ANNEXES:

1. NATO MW COE Events Catalogue 2023.
2. Administrative Instructions.
3. Application Form for Courses in 2023.

DISTRIBUTION:

1. HQ SACT National Representatives.
2. NATO MW COE Steering Committee Members.