

Fact Sheet

Trident Juncture 2016

Size and Scope

- TRJE16 involves military and civilian personnel to train, sustain and support the HQ ARRC fulfill its training objectives.
- HQ ARRC takes part in Exercise Trident Juncture 16 (TRJE16) and deploys more than 500 personnel to RAF Base St Mawgan, Cornwall and another 7 to Naples, Italy and 7 to Stavanger, Norway.
- All 21 ARRC permanently participating member states are contributing personnel to the exercise
- TRJE16 runs From October 23rd until November 4th 2016
- The overall budget is close to 1 million Euros

Scenario Setting

The exercise scenario is set in several real as well as fictitious countries in northern Europe. While identifying surrounding states, the setting concentrates on six independent countries of the former Skolkan Empire: Arnland, Bothnia, Framland, Lindsey, Otso, and Torrike. Political tensions have arisen over the last years resulting in hostile acts by Bothnia against its neighbouring state and NATO member Estonia, whose population consists of a large Bothnian minority. Estonia has called NATO for help, as it fears an attack by Bothnia who may feel the need to defend the interests of this minority by use of force against Estonia.

Purpose:

TRJE16 is part of NATO's TRIDENT series of exercises and will train forces for future NATO missions. TRJE16 will serve as the joint certification venue for NATO Response Force 2017 (NRF17). TRJE16 will be the platform to certify Joint Force Command Naples (JFCNP) as the standby Joint Task Force Headquarters (JTFHQ). TRJE16 will be an Allied Command Transformation (ACT) sponsored Command Post Exercise (CPX) designed to plan and conduct NRF17 Article 5 Major Joint Operation (MJO).

Command Post Exercise (CPX)

- A CPX uses simulated troop formations within a challenging and dynamical fictional security or humanitarian crisis scenario.

- Exercise scenarios merge actual and hypothetical global security risks and threats into one condensed simulated environment to test HQ processes and decisions when planning and controlling units.
- Simulations as TRJE 16 reduce military training costs tremendously by not actually manoeuvring units within the scenario and thus are environmental friendly.