



**NORTH ATLANTIC TREATY ORGANISATION**  
NATO MARITIME INTERDICTION OPERATIONAL TRAINING CENTRE  
**NMIOTC**  
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SUBJECT: **INVITATION LETTER TO NMIOTC COURSE 10000  
(MARITIME INTERDICTION OPERATION IN SUPPORT OF  
COUNTERING ILLICIT TRAFFICKING AT SEA) (18 - 22 Mar 19)**

DATE: 14 Nov 2018

REFERENCE: NMIOTC Program of Work (NPOW) 2019

1. NMIOTC under the auspices and guidance of the Allied Command Transformation (ACT) will organize a course focused on issues and challenges in conducting Maritime Interdiction Operations (MIO) to prevent and deter trafficking. The course program is scheduled to contribute in the effort of enhancing national and regional capabilities and cooperation in maritime interdiction consistent. NMIOTC is pleased to invite NATO members and partners to participate in this course, which will take place in Marathi – Souda Bay, Chania – GREECE, from 18 to 22 Mar 2019.

2. To that **aim**, a continuous and growing requirement has been identified for MIO forces and law enforcement personnel to be well-trained so as to enhance personnel and units' readiness prior to deployment in maritime operations. NMIOTC provides theoretical and practical training, responding to a wide spectrum of maritime operation issues, while the execution of joint practical exercises help to evaluate the effectiveness of procedures and any improvements required thereof. After the completion of the Course students will be able to:

- a) Engage effectively in MIO in support of countering illicit trafficking at sea,
- b) Define human trafficking /smuggling,
- c) Evaluate the case of a crime scene, through photographic documentation and evidence collection,
- d) Introduce and use the biometric device and apply correct procedures for collection of flat and rolled fingerprints,
- e) Analyse suspect and boarding vessel's crew behaviour,
- f) Execute Tactical Movement/Sweep on Board Intercepted Vessel,
- g) Conduct RHIB insertion onboard intercepted vessel in MIO.

3. The target audience is composed of officers ranging from OF-1 to OF-3 and OR-6 to OR-9, Command Team and Boarding Team members, personnel from other related Governmental Agencies such as Intelligence and Law Enforcement Agencies who are also eligible to participate.

4. The Course will be conducted in English. Translation into other languages will not be provided. The following proficiency standards in English are required to be met: Listening–Fair (2), Speaking–fair (2), Reading–Fair (2) and Writing–Fair (2), iaw STANAG 6001.

5. This is a NATO ACT listed course marked as “NATO Unclassified/Releasable to PfP (except Russia)/MD/ICI/PatG”.

6. A draft agenda is hereby attached as Enclosure 1. The final agenda will be included in the Joining Instructions in due time.

7. The Course starts on **Monday, 18 Mar and ends on Friday, 22 Mar 2019**, training hours are from 08:30 to 15:00. Due to the fact that the Course will be run with the cooperation of external contributors, the execution of the Course is subject to the achievement of a minimum number of participants.

8. The tuition fee for this course is **550,00€**. Comprehensive administrative instructions are provided at Enclosure 2.

9. For organizational purposes, candidates are kindly requested to return their application form (Enclosure 3) to NMIOTC [studentadmin@nmiotc.nato.int](mailto:studentadmin@nmiotc.nato.int), (a digital word version can also be downloaded from the NMIOTC website: [www.nmiotc.nato.int](http://www.nmiotc.nato.int)) **no later than (NLT) Friday 8 Feb 2019**. Candidates from non-NATO countries not participating in the Partnership for Peace (PfP), Mediterranean Dialogue (MD), Istanbul Cooperation Initiative (ICI), or Partners across the Globe (PatG) frameworks, should sent their applications **no later than (NLT) Fri, 18 Jan 2019**, so that the necessary NATO procedures can be initiated for achieving final approval.

10. Event details can be found online in the Education and Training opportunities Catalogue (ETOC) at <https://e-itep.act.nato.int/Guest/ETOCindex.aspx> or through the NMIOTC official web site [www.nmiotc.nato.int](http://www.nmiotc.nato.int).

11. NMIOTC Points of Contact (POCs): For further information or clarifications please contact:

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ENCLOSURES :

1. Draft Schedule of Events
2. Administrative Instructions
3. Personnel Administration Form (PAF)

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**DRAFT SCHEDULE OF EVENTS FOR NMIOTC COURSE 10.000  
(MARITIME INTERDICTION OPERATION IN SUPPORT OF COUNTERING ILLICIT TRAFFICKING AT SEA)**

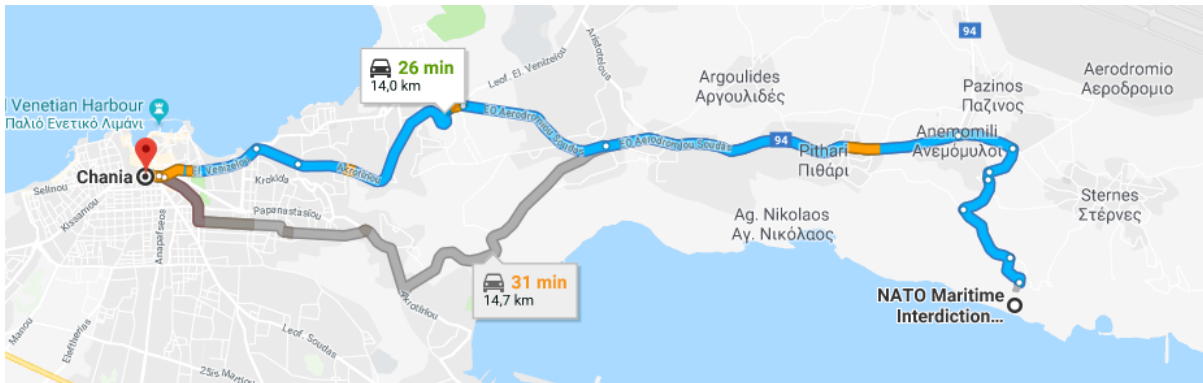
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<b>Monday 18 Mar 19 (Day 1)</b>		<b>Tuesday 19 Mar 19 (Day 2)</b>		<b>Wednesday 20 Mar 19 (Day 3)</b>		<b>Thursday 21 Mar 18 (Day 4)</b>		<b>Friday 22 Mar 19 (Day 5)</b>	
0830 0900	NMIOTC Welcome / Safety brief	0830 0920	Human Trafficking/Smuggling	0830 0930	Tactical Sweep/RHIB insertion (theory)	0830 0915	Crew control (theory)	0830 0930	Introduction to Biometrics
0900 0950	Introduction to MIO	0930 1020	Human Trafficking/Smuggling (Case studies)	0930 1200	Tactical Sweep (practice)	0930 1200	Crew control (practice)	0930 1045	Biometrics with SEEK II device
1000 1050	MIO lesson learned	1030 1120	WMD trafficking	1200 1230	Snack Break	1200 1230	Snack Break	1115 1200	Crime Scene Investigation/Evidence Collection (theory)
1100 1200	Intel Support to MIO	1130 1220	Drug trafficking	1230 1430	RHIB insertion (practice)	1230 1330	Legal aspects	1215 1330	Crime Scene Investigation/Evidence Collection (practice)
1200 1230	Snack Break	1220 1300	Snack Break			1345 1445	Legal aspects	1330 1400	Debrief/Graduation ceremony
1230 1330	Boarding Team Psychology	1300 1400	Weapons trafficking						
1330 1500	Suspect Vessel's Crew Psychology	1400 1500	Gender aspects						





## **ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTIONS**

1. **Location:** NMIOTC is located in the Akrotiri peninsula, near the city of Chania, in the north-western part of Crete. The destination airport is Chania International airport “Ioannis Daskalogiannis” (airport code: CHQ). Distance from the city of Chania to NMIOTC is 20 km and from the airport to NMIOTC is 9 Km. Chania is a picturesque, unique medieval city bearing a rich and long history and culture. The following map provides orientation and driving directions from the city of Chania to NMIOTC.



2. **Registration:** You are kindly requested to submit your Personnel Administration Form (Enclosure 3), in accordance to paragraph 10 of the main body.

NOTE: Applications submitted after the deadline may not be accepted. All applicants will receive a confirmation message within three days of their submission.

3. **Visa Requirement:** Participants or their national authorities are responsible for visa arrangements. Participants are advised to contact well in advance, proper diplomatic agencies for up to date information. It is an individual’s responsibility to apply and obtain their visa and to have the proper travel/medical documentation. Hellenic Ministry of Foreign Affairs website ([www.mfa.gr](http://www.mfa.gr)) provides relevant visa information requirements.

4. **Tuition Fee:** The tuition fee for the course is **550,00€**. NMIOTC will provide daily transportation from Chania city centre to NMIOTC and vice versa during the duration of the course. Full payment will be made either to NMIOTC’s Financial Officer during the first day, in cash or by bank deposit to NMIOTC bank account with the following data:

IBAN Number: GR 38 0110 4940 0000 4945 4001 048

Swift BIC: ETHN GRAA

Bank Name: National Bank of Greece

**Note:** Bank deposit has to be completed **no later than 3 working days** after the start date of the course. The relevant document with proper justification has to be e-mailed to NMIOTC Budget & Finance officer at [kladosa@nmiotc.nato.int](mailto:kladosa@nmiotc.nato.int). NMIOTC will cover only the expense that National Bank of Greece may charge for the transactions and not the potential charges of other banks that may finally intervene.

5. **Dress Code:** Participants are strongly recommended to wear Battle Dress Uniforms for the whole theoretical and practical training, as well as for the Graduation Ceremony.

6. **Meals:** During the course a daily snack break is scheduled around noon. A canteen is available within the NMIOTC main building that will provide snacks for a nominal cost.

7. **Accommodation:** Participants are responsible to arrange their own accommodation as there is none on the Centre's premises. NMIOTC can provide guidance / assistance, if requested. Hotels near the Chania city centre are highly recommended for transportation purposes. The following is a list of recommended Hotels around Chania city centre (special prices apply to participants only for direct booking with each hotel manager by e-mail using the code "**NMIOTC Guest**", including breakfast and internet connection):

AKALI 4\* hotel [www.akali-hotel.gr](http://www.akali-hotel.gr). E-mail: [info@akali-hotel.gr](mailto:info@akali-hotel.gr)  
Tel: +30 28210 92872

KYDON 4\* hotel [www.kydon-hotel.com](http://www.kydon-hotel.com)  
E-mail: [info@kydon-hotel.gr](mailto:info@kydon-hotel.gr) Tel.: +30 28210 52280.

SAMARIA 4\* hotel [www.samariahhotel.gr](http://www.samariahhotel.gr)  
E-mail: [reservations@samariahhotel.gr](mailto:reservations@samariahhotel.gr) Tel.: +30 2821038600

ARKADI 3\* hotel [www.arkadi-hotel.gr](http://www.arkadi-hotel.gr)  
E-mail: [info@arkadi-hotel.gr](mailto:info@arkadi-hotel.gr) Tel: +30 28210 90181

AVRA CITY 3\* hotel [www.avracityhotel.gr](http://www.avracityhotel.gr) E-mail:  
[kperraki@avracityhotel.gr](mailto:kperraki@avracityhotel.gr) Tel.: +30 28210 27970

HALEPA 3\* hotel ([www.halepa.com](http://www.halepa.com)),  
E-mail: [hotel@halepa.com](mailto:hotel@halepa.com), Tel. +302821028440

PORTO VENEZIANO 3\* hotel [www.portoveneziano.gr](http://www.portoveneziano.gr).  
E-mail: [hotel@portoveneziano.gr](mailto:hotel@portoveneziano.gr) Tel: (+30) 28210 27100

ROYAL SUN 3\* hotel [www.royalsunhotel.com](http://www.royalsunhotel.com). The price also includes free transportation to the city centre. E-mail: [hotelroyalsun@gmail.com](mailto:hotelroyalsun@gmail.com)  
Tel: +30 28210 46363.

MARE NOSTRUM VILLAS ([www.villasincrete.gr](http://www.villasincrete.gr)).

The distance from Marathi main gate (closest pickup point) is 1KM

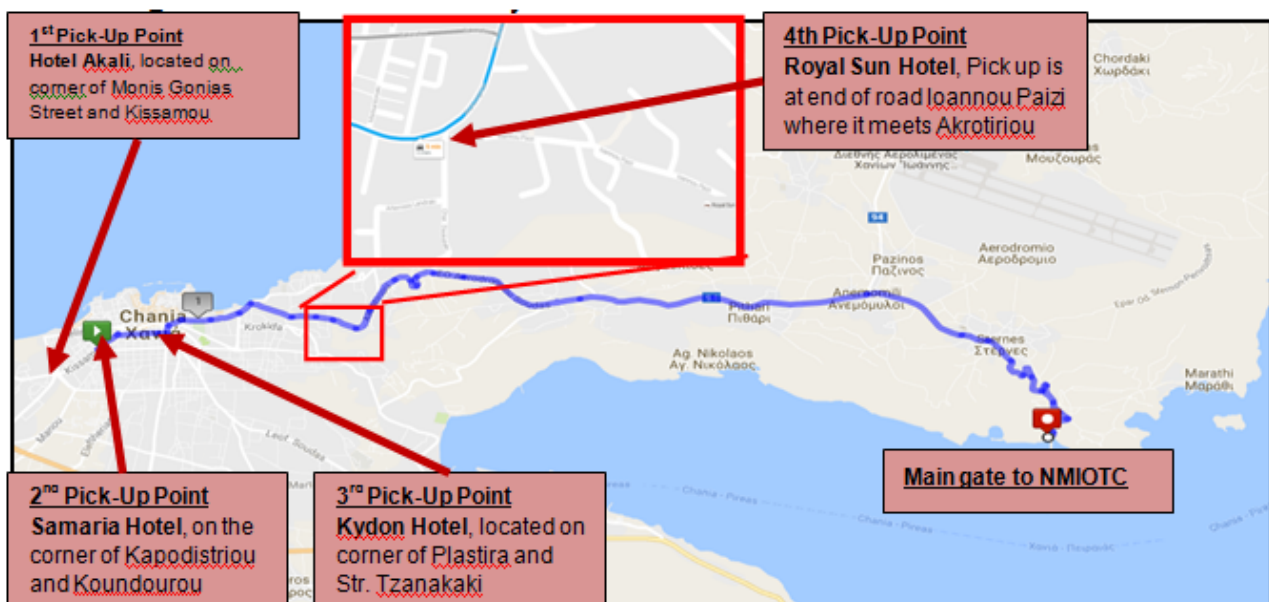
8. **Transportation:** Transportation will be provided during the days of the course from Chania city centre pick-up points (1<sup>st</sup> pickup point AKALI at 07:45, 2<sup>nd</sup> pickup point SAMARIA at 07:50, 3<sup>rd</sup> pickup point KYDON at 07:55 and 4<sup>th</sup> pickup point Royal Sun hotel at 08:05, Marathi main gate at 08:25, see the following map). Participants are responsible for their transportation from the airport to their hotel and vice versa. The available transportation options from Chania airport to Chania city centre are as follows:

- a. By Bus: The bus stop is outside the terminal and the cost is 2,30€. For further information and detailed timetables check <http://www.bus-servicecrete-ktel.com/timetabledet.php?line=32&lg=2>.
- b. By taxi from the airport directly to Chania city center, 24 hours/day and the cost is 25,00 € (approx).
- c. There are several car rental agencies at the airport. Rental car agencies that have offered special prices for NMIOTC guests are as follows:

Gelasakis car Rental: E-mail [cars@stc.gr](mailto:cars@stc.gr), [www.rentacar-ghania.gr](http://www.rentacar-ghania.gr), tel. +30 28210 89065

Spa Tours & Cars Enterprises: E-mail [info@spatours.gr](mailto:info@spatours.gr), [www.spatours.gr](http://www.spatours.gr), tel. +30 28210 57444

Participants, who intend to rent a car, should arrange their booking directly with the Car Rental Agency using the code “NMIOTC guest”. Additionally, NMIOTC Admin Office should be informed as soon as possible about the type and the plate number of the rental vehicle for issuing vehicle access security clearance.



9. **Medical service:** Trainees are required to have valid health insurance according to their respective national standards. Trainees from the EU Member States are required to possess valid European Health Insurance Card. NMIOTC ensures first aid during training, providing emergency transportation to the Naval Hospital of Crete when needed. The Naval Hospital of Crete will provide diagnosis, first aid and treatment, while when necessary, the military doctors may arrange with the Prefectural Hospital of Chania for further diagnosis or specialist treatment if required. NMIOTC is not covering trainees' expenses for additional medical treatments and the settlement of medical bills is a patient/national responsibility.

10. **Security:** NMIOTC applies security issues according to NATO standards. There is a strict access control procedure for entrance into the Marathi main gate and NMIOTC main building. You will be required to provide your passport or your national identification card during in-processing and whenever you enter these areas.



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**PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION FORM (PAF)**

(Please read instructions carefully below prior to filling out the form)

**NAME OF EVENT:** NMIOTC Course 10000 "MIO in support of Countering Illicit Trafficking at sea"

**PERIOD:** 18 -22 Mar 2019

<b>REQUESTING HQ / AGENCY INFORMATION</b>	
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Last Name (*)	
First Name (*)	
Middle Initials	
Sex (*)	
Nationality (*)	
Military Rank (Title for Civilians) (*)	
Branch/Service (*)	
Title of duty position (*)	
Organization/HQ where duties are performed	
Date of Birth	
ID No/Passport No (*)	
Nato Security Clearance (*)	
Tel (*)	
E-mail (*)	

TRAVELING INFORMATION	
Travel Mode to Greece / Crete / NMIOTC (*)	
Arrival Date (*)	
Departure Date(*)	
Accommodation(*)	
Rental Car	
POC's INFORMATION	
Name/Rank/Agency/(*)	
Tel (*)	
E-mail (*)	
Where the Confirmation Message Should be sent? (*)	a. Requesting Agency/HQ    b. Student c. POC                                    d. Other (specify in remarks)
COMMENTS / REMARKS	
INSTRUCTIONS	

- **Information marked as (\*) is mandatory.**
- Form must be completed in capital letters, in the following format **Illicit Trafficking at Sea Course 10000\_surname\_rank.doc** and be forwarded to:
  1. [studentadmin@nmiotc.nato.int](mailto:studentadmin@nmiotc.nato.int) into NU-WAN, or
  2. Phone: +30 28210 85710, NCN: 498-5710
  3. FAX: +30 28210 85702 to NMIOTC Admin Officer, LTJG Konstantinos Papanastasis GRC (N)
- If information on a field is not applicable or not yet determined can be filled with N/A or TBD respectively and will be determined later.