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## INVITATION TO BILATERAL OIL RESPONSE EXCERSISE "CLEAN SEA" 2025 AND INITIAL IT'S PLANNING CONFERENCE

Dear Sir or Madam,

On behalf of the Estonian Defence Forces (EDF), I am pleased to extend this invitation to your organization. I kindly ask you to consider your participation in the Clean Sea 2025 oil spill response exercise.

Clean Sea is an annual collaborative oil spill response exercise between Estonia and Finland, aimed at enhancing cooperation and increasing awareness of potential hazards and risks in the Gulf of Finland region.

Clean Sea 2025 is scheduled to take place from June 3rd to June 5th, organized by the Estonian Navy. The exercise will be conducted in Estonian territorial waters.

Initial Exercise Objectives (EOs):

- Training of marine pollution response teams and enhancing cooperation between national and international response units.
- Training in oil spill management by the Estonian Maritime Operations Center (MOC) and the Finnish Marine Rescue Coordination Center (MRSC), focusing on information sharing, development of tactical response plans, coordination of national and international assistance, and command and control of survey and strike team units.

Initial Exercise Training Objectives (TOs):

- Development of practical skills in the command and control of the Estonian Navy's oil spill response coordination body, including operational planning, commanding, information exchange, and cooperation with international and national partners.
- Training of On-Site Coordinators (OSC) in their role as response leaders and strike team supervisors.
- Training in Ship-to-Ship (STS) operations for the transfer of collected oil pollution from response ships to tankers/base ships, followed by discharge and offloading at harbor terminals.

The primary training audience for Clean Sea 2025 includes the Crisis Acting Team (CAT), MOC, and tactical-level units.

Officer scheduling Exercise (OSE): COMESTNAV
Officer conducting exercise (OCE): DCOM ESTNAV

## The planning milestones:

IPC	Tallinn, Estonia	05.03.2025 VTC
MPC	Miinisadam, Tallinn, Estonia,	10.04.2025
PreSail	Miinisadam, Tallinn, Estonia,	03.06.2025
HWU	Tallinn, Estonia	04.06.2025 TBD

Further details regarding planning conferences will be provided to registered participants in due course.

I kindly request that invited participants confirm their attendance, along with proposed Training Objectives (TOs) and Points of Contact (POCs), no later than February 21st, 2025. Please send your confirmation to the designated Exercise Officer of Primary Responsibility (OPR).

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I look forward to your participation in this important exercise.

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Commodore

Commander of the Estonian Navy