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INVITATION TO OPEN SPIRIT/EODEX 2025 AND INITIAL PLANNING CONFERENCE

Dear Sir or Madam,

On behalf of Chief of Defense (CHOD) of the Republic of Lithuania, I would like to invite Naval Mine Countermeasures (NMCM) assets of your Navy to participate in the historical ordnance disposal activity OPEN SPIRIT and explosive ordnance disposal exercise (EODEX) 2025.

OPEN SPIRIT is an annual multinational historical ordnance disposal activity supporting the initiative of Baltic Ordnance Safety Board (BOSB) that is traditionally carried out in Territorial Waters and Exclusive Economic Zones of the Baltic States. Meanwhile, the aim of EODEX is to provide conventional munition disposal (CMD) and improvised explosive device disposal (IEDD) practical training tasks for the demonstration of skills and techniques in realistic environment, with focus on training the CMD/IEDD operators.

OPEN SPIRIT/EODEX 2025 is scheduled within the time frame of May 9-23, 2025 by Lithuanian CHOD and will be conducted in Lithuanian Territorial Waters, Exclusive Economic Zone and inside the port of Klaipėda by COM Lithuanian Navy. Operating areas will be established based on BOSB prioritization, thus contributing to the safety of shipping and other maritime activities, as well as providing challenging environment and great training value for participating ships and clearance diving units.

COM Lithuanian Navy, on behalf of Lithuanian CHOD, and as the OCE of multinational historical ordnance disposal OPEN SPIRIT/EODEX 2025 will host Initial Planning Conference (IPC) in VTC format on January 15, 2025.

The planning milestones of OPEN SPIRIT/EODEX 2025 are as follows:

IPC	Klaipėda, Lithuania	15/01/2025 VTC
MPC/FCC	Klaipėda, Lithuania	26/03/2025
PSC	Klaipėda, Lithuania	10/05/2025
HOD (OPS)/ EODEX	Lithuanian TW, EEZ and PoK	09/05/2025 – 23/05/2025
DV-Day	Lithuanian TW and EEZ	20/05/2025
HWU	Klaipėda, Lithuania	23/05/2025 VTC

IPC will be conducted in VTC format and all administrative and communications details will be provided prior the conference in IPC administrative email to respective participants. All

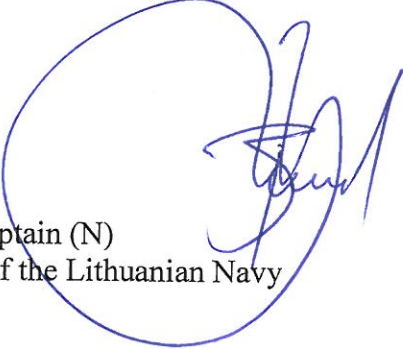
other planning conferences formats are TBD and will be promulgated prior the conference in calling letter.

Additionally, I would like to offer to save the date of OPEN SPIRIT/EODEX 2025 DV-Day, which is scheduled for the 20th May, 2025. It would be my pleasure to meet you in person during this event.

Lithuanian Navy is looking forward to your participation engaging your assets in valuable training. Should you positively consider your navy's participation in OPEN SPIRIT/EODEX 2025, please relay this information to appropriate entities and forward your national point of contact details to LTU OPEN SPIRIT/EODEX 2025 officer of primary responsibility Lt Cdr Andrius Narbutas, (e-mail: andrius.narbutas@mil.lt and agnija.aleknaite@mil.lt). Furthermore, respective POC's are kindly advised to provide initial force contribution and training objectives NLT 3 DEC 2024 in order to support planning process.

Very respectfully,

Tomas Skurdenis, Captain (N)
Acting Commander of the Lithuanian Navy



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