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### **International Military Agenda**





## <u>Spanish warship 'Furor' trains with naval units</u> of the European Union in Gulf of Guinea waters

Maritime Action Vessel (MAV) 'Furor' has carried out several exercises and activities with warships from France, Italy and Portugal, contributing to the European Union's 'Coordinated Maritime Presences' initiative.

MAV 'Furor' is currently conducting operation 'African Deployment' off the coast of West Africa and the Gulf of Guinea, integrated into the Spanish Maritime Operational Command (MOM in Spanish).



### Chief of Defence Staff visits Spanish troops deployed in Central African Republic, Mali and Senegal

Admiral general López Calderón conveyed his gratitude to the Spanish military personnel deployed in EUTM-Mali, EUTM-RCA and 'Marfil' Tactical Air Detachment, for their contribution to international stability.

The Spanish CHOD also held meetings with his Malian and Senegalese counterparts, and the minister for Defence of the Central African Republic.



### **eAP Romania**

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## Spanish Eurofighters' mission in Romania is successfully completed

All Spanish assets deployed to Romania, including six Eurofighters 'Typhoon', have returned home after completing the assigned mission.

Spanish Eurofighters have conducted almost 400 flights in Romanian airspace. Aircraft and pilots have trained with Romanian F-16 and Mig-21, French Rafale, and have also taken part in two naval exercises conducted in the Black Sea.

### eFP Latvia





## <u>Spanish units deployed in Latvia achieve full</u> integration within the eFP Multinational Battalion

For the Spanish military deployed in Latvia, the past three months have been a period of intense training, as three major exercises have been carried out under extreme cold weather conditions.

'Wolverine Forger', 'Crystal Arrow' and finally 'Iron Spear' are these three major exercises conducted by the eFP Multinational Battalion in Latvia.

### **CAOC Torrejón**





## Exercise TAD 21-01 conducted by Combined Air Operations Centre Torrejón ends

The purpose of TAD 21-01 is to train CAOC-TJ personnel in the operational and tactical management of a high-intensity crisis, on a joint-combined environment within the scope of a JFAC HQ, based on a hybrid conflict.

In addition to CAOC-TJ staff, personnel from other Alliance member countries (Spain, United States, France, Greece and Croatia) also participated in the exercise.





# EUROPEAN

#### 'Marfil' Detachment





## <u>Spanish Air Force 33<sup>rd</sup> rotation takes over at</u> <u>'Marfil' Detachment in Senegal</u>

The Spanish contingents took over within the mission that supports Operation 'Barkhane' with important goals to be achieved.

'Marfil' Detachment's main mission is set, to provide logistical airlift in support of French Operation 'Barkhane' to counter terrorism, EUTM's Mali and RCA, and United Nations missions MINUSMA and MINUSCA.

### **EUTM-Somalia**





### EUTM-Somalia Team of Trainers conduct the first Basic Intelligence Course delivered to Officers of the Somali Army

Staff from the European Union Training Mission in Somalia have successfully completed the 1st Intel Staff Course, at the Somali National Army (SNA) Training Centre 'General Dhagabadan' in Mogadishu.

The training of the Somali Army is one of the three main pillars of the European mission in the Horn of Africa.

### **EUNAVFOR 'ATALANTA'**





## Spanish Air Force replaces its P3.M Aircraft to keep countering piracy within operation Atalanta

After a 10 hours and 30 minutes flight, a new P3 'Orión' from the 22nd Group has landed at the French AFB BA188, in Djibouti, replacing the current aircraft deployed within EU Naval Force's (EUNAVFOR) Atalanta in Somalia.

Spain shows its strong commitment to Operation Atalanta through the ongoing contribution of surface and air assets, as well as the Operation Headquarters (ES-OHQ) located at Rota Naval Base.







### UNIFIL (Lebanon)





## <u>Spanish and French contingents in Lebanon carry</u> out joint training sessions

Light Tactical Group 'Cataluña', from BRILIB XXXIV, have led joint training sessions with the Force Commander Reserve (FCR), belonging to the French Army deployed in Lebanon.

These sessions allowed to exchange knowledge and strengthen ties between both contingents, which under UN mandate work together for the sake of peace and security in Lebanon.

### **Spanish Armed Forces Deployment Map**















