



## Spanish submarine 'Tramontana' ends deployment within NATO's Operation Sea Guardian (OSG)

### International Military Agenda



#### A group of OSCE representatives visited several Spanish military units located in Zaragoza

The event, conducted by the Spanish Verification Unit (UVE) as part of the Spanish Defence Staff, is framed within the Vienna Document 2011 issued by the Organisation for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE).

Vienna Document 2011 requires OSCE's participating Countries to arrange a visit to an air base and a military installation every five-year period to showcase newly commissioned weapons systems into their armed forces.



#### Offshore patrol vessel 'Vigía' returned home after four months in the Gulf of Guinea

Offshore patrol vessel 'Vigía' has completed its mission, within the framework of Operation 'African Deployment', in the waters of the Gulf of Guinea, to tackle growing challenges in a highly strategic area of interest for Spain.

The ship conducted military cooperation (MCA) and cooperative security activities (CSA). Illegal activities in that area, put at risk important international maritime transit routes, as well as fishing grounds where the Spanish fishing community operates.



## Operation Sea Guardian



### Submarine 'Tramontana' ended deployment within Operation Sea Guardian

After a demanding deployment in the Mediterranean Sea, submarine 'Tramontana' has ended its participation in direct support of NATO's operation 'Sea Guardian' by entering the port of Cartagena, its home port.

The 'Tramontana' has served for more than 35 years and counting, successfully performing all duties entrusted to it. Taking part in this mission shows commitment of the Submarine Service, the Navy and Spain to all NATO allies.

## Enhanced Forward Presence



### A Spanish mechanised tactical subgroup, chosen to represent Latvia's eFP mission for exercise 'Iron Wolf' in Lithuania

The Spanish mechanised tactical sub-group took part as an opposition force; with an integrated Polish tank platoon and a Latvian mechanised platoon, along with troops from the U.S. Army's 66th Regiment and other Lithuanian unit.

Exercise 'Iron Wolf' took place in October and certified the full integration of the Tactical Group within the Lithuanian brigade where they are embedded in.

## SNMCMG-2



### Mine hunter 'Segura' joins Standing NATO Mine Countermeasures Group 2

The Spanish vessel arrived in the Aegean Sea and joined the group, after conducting counter terrorism activities in the Mediterranean, in support of NATO's OSG to counter terrorism in the Mediterranean Sea.

Spanish BAM 'Rayo' is acting as SNMCMG2's flagship, so over the next few weeks, Spain will have two warships integrated into this NATO's Immediate Reaction Force.





## EUNAVFOR ATALANTA



### Spanish frigate F-82 'Victoria' hands over as new EUNAVFOR Atalanta's flagship

Just a few days after the HOTO ceremony at the port of Djibouti, frigate 'Victoria' conducted the exercise 'Sea Joint Mare Liberum', along with allied warships from Japan, Korea and Oman, in the Indian Ocean.

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## DAT 'MARFIL'



### Air Force personnel belonging to 'Marfil' Tactical Air Detachment (DAT) took over in Senegal

The HOTO ceremony took place at the facilities of the 'Escale Aéronautique Commandant Lemaitre' at Blaise Diagne International Airport. The ceremony was chaired by colonel García-Mauriño from the Spanish Operations Command (MOPS).

For over eight years of operations, DAT 'Marfil' has consolidated Spain's foreign action in its commitment to international peace and security, within the SAHEL region.

## EUTM - Mali



### The Spanish Army's team of instructors completes the training of more than 200 Malian soldiers

The restoration of a lasting peace in Mali is essential for long term stability in the Sahel region and in a broader sense for Africa and Europe. To achieve that goal, the Spanish team of instructors within EUTM – Mali have completed the training of over 200 Malian troops.

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## UNIFIL (Lebanon)



### The Spanish contingent in Lebanon puts military communications to the test

The Spanish contingent in Lebanon keeps on training, as well as conducting operations; during exercise 'Resilient Link', the tactical networks were put to the test.

The Signal unit, the Networks platoon and the HQ's Support unit of UNIFIL's Multinational Brigade Sector East were involved in the exercise. The set targets were successfully achieved and were useful to plan a new exercise of this nature, in the near future.

## Spanish Armed Forces Deployment Map

