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Fiscal Year 2014 Report on Training of General Purpose Forces of the United States Armed Forces With Military and Other Security Forces of Friendly Foreign Countries

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Section 1203 of the National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) for Fiscal Year (FY) 2014 (Public Law 113-66) authorizes the U.S. Armed Forces to train with the military forces or other security forces of a friendly foreign country if the Secretary of Defense determines that it is in the national security interests of the United States to do so. Section 1203 authorizes Secretaries of Military Departments or Combatant Commanders to pay, or authorize payment for, the incremental expenses incurred by a friendly foreign country as the direct result of training with U.S. general purpose forces. Incremental expenses are the reasonable and proper cost of rations, fuel, training ammunition, transportation, and other goods or services consumed by the country as a direct result of the country's participation in training. The amount of incremental expenses payable under this authority may not exceed \$10 million in any fiscal year.

Training may be conducted under this section only with the prior approval of the Secretary of Defense and the concurrence of the Secretary of State. The purpose of this authority is to advance U.S. national security interests, and support the mission-essential tasks for which the unit providing such training is responsible.

In May 2014, the Secretary of Defense issued policy guidance and interim procedures for exercising the authorities provided by section 1203. Upon receipt of this guidance, the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff also issued implementing guidance to the Military Services and Geographic Combatant Commands (GCCs) regarding the process and timelines for submitting proposed events using authorities provided by Section 1203. No Section 1203 events were proposed or executed in FY 2014.

I. REPORT REQUIREMENTS

Pursuant to Section 1203(e) of the NDAA for FY 2014 (P.L. 113-66), not later than April 1 of each year following a fiscal year in which training is conducted pursuant to subsection (a), the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the appropriate committees of Congress a report on the training conducted pursuant to that subsection. Each report shall specify:

- 1. Each country in which training was conducted.
- 2. The type of training conducted, the duration of such training, and the number of U.S. personnel involved in such training.
- 3. The extent of participation in such training by foreign military forces and other security forces, including the number and service affiliation of foreign military and other security force personnel involved and the physical and financial contribution of each country participating in such training.
- 4. The relationship of such training to other overseas training programs conducted by the United States Armed Forces, such as military exercise programs sponsored by the Joint Chiefs of Staff, military exercise programs sponsored by a Combatant Command, and military training activities sponsored by a Military Department (including deployments for training, short duration exercises, and other similar unit training events).
- 5. A summary of the expenditures under Section 1203(c) in connection with such training.
- 6. A description and assessment of the unique military training benefits for members of the U.S. Armed Forces involved in such training.
- 7. A list of the training events to be conducted during the 12-month period beginning on April 1 of the year in which such report is submitted.

II. FISCAL YEAR 2014

The Department of Defense did not execute any events using Section 1203 authority in FY 2014. Therefore, report requirements 1-6 are not applicable to this reporting period.

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III. LIST OF PROJECTED EVENTS (April 1, 2015 - March 31, 2016)

A. OVERVIEW TABLE

| Geographic Combatant Command | # Events |
|---------------------------------|----------|
| USAFRICOM | 4 |
| USCENTCOM | 0 |
| USEUCOM | 4 |
| USNORTHCOM | 0 |
| USPACOM | 1 |
| USSOUTHCOM | 12 |
| TOTAL | 21 |

B. <u>PROJECTED EVENTS</u>. The number of training events planned for April 1, 2015 – March 31, 2016, is based on Military Service and GCC preliminary input received to date. The actual number of events may change between now and the submission of the FY 2015 annual report.

| Combatant Command or Service | Dates | Event | Partner Nations |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------|--|--|
| U.S. Army Europe | Apr 1 - 30, 2015 | SABER JUNCTION 15 | Hungary |
| U.S. Air Force | Apr 19 – May 2, 2015 | 571 Mobility Support Advisory Squadron (MSAS) 15-14 | Belize |
| U.S. Air Force | Apr 19 - 23 May, 2015 | 571 MSAS 15-08 | Honduras |
| U.S. Army Europe | May 6 – Jun 5, 2015 | COMBINED RESOLVE IV | Albania, Bulgaria, Croatia, Romania |
| U.S. Air Force | May 30 – Jun 27, 2015 | 571 MSAS 15-10 | Panama |
| U.S. Army Africa | Jun 1 – 20, 2015 | Combined Arms Training Event | Spain, Morocco |
| U.S. Air Force | Jul 18 – 25, 2015 | 818 MSAS 15-4 | Ghana |
| U.S. Air Force | Jul 19 – Aug 14, 2015 | 571 MSAS 15-11 | Guatemala |
| U.S. Air Force | Aug 12 - Sep 1, 2015 | 571 MSAS 15-12 | Peru |
| U.S. Air Force | Aug 16 - Sep 18, 2015 | 571 MSAS 15-13 | Colombia |
| U.S. Army Europe | Oct 15 - Nov 15, 2015 | COMBINED RESOLVE V | Albania, Bulgaria, Georgia, Moldova, Montenegro, Romania |

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| Combatant Command or Service | Dates | Event | Partner Nations | |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------|---|--|--|
| U.S. Air Force | Oct 20 - Nov 20, 2015 | 571 MSAS 16-01 | Honduras | |
| U.S. Air Force | Nov 1 - 8, 2015 | 818 MSAS 16-01 | Botswana | |
| U.S. Air Force | Nov 1 - 15, 2015 | 571 MSAS 16-02 | El Salvador | |
| U.S. Air Force | Nov 1 - 27, 2015 | 571 MSAS 16-03 | Panama | |
| U.S. Air Force | Jan 15 – Feb 1, 2016 | 571 MSAS 16-04 | Dominican Republic | |
| U.S. Army Europe | Feb 5 - 25, 2016 | SABER JUNCTION 2016 | Hungary | |
| U.S. Air Force | Feb 15 - Mar 15, 2016 | 571 MSAS 16-05 | Colombia | |
| U.S. Air Force | Feb 21 - 27, 2016 | 818 MSAS 16-02 | South Africa | |
| U.S. Pacific Command HQ | Mar 4 – 19, 2016 | MULTINATIONAL PEACEKEEPING EXERCISE 16 | Australia, Bangladesh, Burma, Brunei, Cambodia, Indonesia, Japan, Laos, Malaysia, Nepal, New Zealand, Philippines, Singapore, South Korea, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Vietnam | |
| US Air Force | Mar 4 - 28, 2016 | 571 MSAS 16-06 | Peru | |