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Invitation to Attend a NATO News Conference for the Launch of Exercise Proud Manta 13

Augusta Naval Base, Sicily, Friday 22 February 2013

London: Media representatives are invited to the media day organised for the inception of Exercise Proud Manta 13 (POMA 13).

From 23 February 13, ten NATO nations will take part in this exercise which is NATO's largest Anti-Submarine Warfare (ASW) Exercise. The exercise will demonstrate NATO's ability to conduct ASW operations, surface warfare, coastal surveillance and other maritime tasks in a multinational context.

POMA 13 will take place in the Ionian Sea, southeast of Sicily. Four submarines, 10 surface warships and 17 aircraft will participate in this exercise. These units will be sent from Canada, France, Germany, Greece, Italy, Norway, Spain, Turkey, the United Kingdom and the United States.

The Media Day will take place in the Officers' Club (Circolo Ufficiale), Augusta Naval Base, via delle Capitaneria 1, Sicily, from 9.00am – 11.30pm on Friday 22 February. The event will be chaired by Rear Admiral Frederick Roegge (US Navy), Commander Submarines, Allied Naval Forces South.

Those wishing to attend the media day must request accreditation via email enclosing a scanned identity document to msicilia.uffstampa@marina.difesa.it and copying publicaffairs@mc.nato.int no later than 20 February.

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