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Navy Installations to Conduct Exercise Solid Curtain/Citadel Shield

NAS JACKSONVILLE, Fla. – All Navy installations in Florida, including Naval Air Station Jacksonville, are participating in Solid Curtain/Citadel Shield Exercises Jan. 30-Feb. 10. These are annual anti-terrorism/force protection (ATFP) exercises that are designed to train Navy installation security forces and first responders to react to potential threats to installations and units.

Solid Curtain-Citadel Shield 2017 exercise scenarios are based on assessments of terrorist/homegrown violent extremist objectives, capabilities and current real-world events.

The exercises are not in response to any specific threat, but are regularly scheduled exercises. They consist of field-training exercise events on and off Navy installations across the country. Each is designed to assess and test different regional ATFP forces preparedness, response, and operational acumen.

Exercise coordinators have taken measures to minimize disruptions to normal base operations, but there may be times when the exercise will cause increased traffic around bases or delays in base access. Residents who reside near installations may also see increased security activity associated with the exercise.

Each installation is actively coordinating with state, county, and city officials to address concerns and advise area residents to factor in additional time for traveling to installations and getting through the gates. As always, vehicle drivers and passengers seeking base access should carry proper identification with them at all times.