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EXERCISE TRANSGLOBE 15/16 – ADVENTUROUS SAIL TRAINING EXERCISE

ISSUE

1. The purpose of this ABN is to inform all Army personnel of the details of Exercise TRANSGLOBE 15/16. This is a Tri-Service Adventurous Sail Training Exercise which will take place from 25 July 2015 through to 21 August 2016.

TARGET AUDIENCE

2. All Regular and Reserve Personnel.

KEY POINTS

- A Tri-Service Adventurous Sail Training Exercise which will take place from 25 July 2015 through to 21 August 2016.
- The aim is to develop rigour, robustness, initiative and leadership to deliver the resilience that military personnel require on operations.
- The Joint Service Adventure Sail Training Centre (JSATSC) (Gosport) will deploy two Challenge 67ft Sail Training Craft from JSATSC (Gosport) on a year long circumnavigation of the globe (over 13 Legs) to include participation in the Sydney to Hobart Offshore Yacht Race in December 2015.
- The Army will crew one yacht and a combined RN and RAF will crew the second.
- The exercise is open to novice and experienced sailors from the Regular and Reserve Forces.
- Full details and application forms are in [DIN 2014DIN07-079: Exercise TRANSGLOBE 15/16](#).

EXTRACTION FOR UNIT ROUTINE ORDERS

3. The following is to be repeated in Unit Routine Orders:

- Applications are invited from both novice and experienced sailors of the Regular and Reserve forces to participate in Exercise TRANSGLOBE 15/16. This is a Tri-Service Adventurous Sail Training Exercise which will sail two Challenger 67 yachts around the world over 13 legs from 25 July 2015 through to 21 August 2016. The exercise is a unique opportunity to participate in a rare ocean sailing opportunity in demanding conditions. Full details and application forms are in [DIN 2014DIN07-079: Exercise TRANSGLOBE 15/16](#).

BACKGROUND

4. JSATSC will deploy two Challenge 67ft Sail Training Craft from JSATSC(Gosport) on a year long circumnavigation of the globe (over 13 Legs), to include participation in the Sydney to Hobart Offshore Yacht Race in December 2015. One yacht is allocated solely to the Army and the other is shared by the RN and RAF. The exercise has been endorsed as a Major Adventurous Training project by each of the Services at 3* level, in the Army's case by Commander Force Development and Capability.

5. The lead Service is be the RN. JSATSC(Gosport) is be responsible for the overall planning and management of the expedition. The Joint Service Adventurous Training Application will be sponsored by the RN and approved by CO HMS TEMERAIRE. The RN will be responsible for obtaining all necessary Diplomatic Clearance and OiC JSATSC(Gosport) will provide any crew training required to support the exercise, all sailing instructions and overall yacht safety. The JSATSC(Gosport) Project Officer is responsible for the day to day running and overall co-ordination of the exercise. The single Services are responsible for identifying, preparing and providing crews for the yachts throughout the event and also for underwriting the full cost of participation during the build up, planning and delivery phases.

6. This exercise is open to all serving RN (including RM), Army, RAF, Reserve Forces and UOTC personnel. Novice sailors are encouraged to apply along with those personnel of all sailing competencies and recognised RYA qualifications. Each Service is responsible for supplying the crews to fully man the 13 legs of the exercise. The Army has allocated the 13 legs so that each Arm or Service is responsible for at least one leg of the Exercise (with a lead unit for coordination and administration being nominated by the Arm or Service) with a number of the more prestigious / arduous legs being open to all. Full details of each sailing leg are in the DIN - [DIN 2014DIN07-079: Exercise TRANSGLOBE 15/16](#)

7. In order to generate the number of Service Skippers required, JSASTC(Gosport) will provide a 'bespoke' training programme. The Army aims to skipper a minimum of 7 of the 13 Legs using serving Army skippers. The remainder will be skippered by JSATSC(Gosport) permanent skippers.

8. Funding for the exercise has already been secured from Adventurous Training Group (Army), the Army Sports Lottery, the Joint Service Expedition Trust Fund and the Army Sailing Association (for the Sydney to Hobart Race). This has significantly reduced personal contributions. Personal costs could be reduced further by individuals applying for grants from Regimental, Corps and other appropriate non-public funds.

9. **Summary.** Adventurous Training (AT) is an essential part of military training. The opportunity to participate in an event that takes two yachts around the world is one of the most challenging AT opportunities available to Service personnel.

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