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Armed Forces and Democracies (MASL #P309152)

The Center for Civil-Military Relations (CCMR) offers a custom-designed Expanded International Military Education and Training (EIMET) approved workshop course entitled "Armed Forces and Democracies." It is designed specifically for those countries that seek to strengthen the relationship between their militaries and civilian authorities, in terms of updating the roles and missions of the armed forces to better reflect the dynamic security context and improving democratic civilian control mechanisms. The intended audience is mid-to senior civilian defense and military officers in the ranks of major to Major General and their civilian equivalents from the Ministry of Defense, Chancelleries, and Parliament involved in the decision-making process to oversee the management and operation of the armed forces. The key objectives of the course of instruction are:

1. Understanding the 21st century demands for transformed roles and missions of the armed forces (and other security institutions) in democracies around the world
2. Familiarizing democratic principles of civilian control over the armed forces
3. Using case studies, identifying potential problem areas in command, as well as managerial control structures and procedures
4. Review of "authorities" in Western countries (i.e., procedures and documents) that affect roles and missions, as well as democratic civilian control over the armed forces
5. Ascertaining which procedures, structures and practices found to be effective in counterpart democracies can be adapted for implementation in the recipient country

CCMR's approach to teaching this course is to focus delivery wherever possible to the specific conditions and requirements of the recipient country and its governing structures. In keeping with CCMR's approach to delivering instruction and technical assistance projects, priority is placed on the educational component of the assistance, reinforced by its practical application in the form of producing draft procedures and arrangements, which is provided to the recipient country's political and defense leadership for action and the ODC/SAO as a status report. The course objectives are achieved through the rigorous application of problem solving with particular emphasis on working with civilian and military officials in a collaborative group setting to develop draft procedures and arrangements for implementation.

Faculty Teams: CCMR task-organizes each team in order to optimize the specific expertise requested by the ODC/SAO. However, as a general rule, CCMR faculty teams are relatively small (two to three individuals) consisting of proven subject-matter experts, who are drawn from around the world.

Translation: The course will be taught in English. Where necessary, the course will be delivered with simultaneous interpretation into the local language.