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Defense Support to Civil Authorities, MET (MASL #P309151)

CCMR one-week Expanded International Military Education and Training (EIMET) approved course entitled "Defense Support to Civil Authorities," is conducted by a Mobile Education Team (MET).

The key objective of this course is to examine the methods civilian authorities and the military can use to devise effective policies and strategies for the domestic employment of the armed forces. The course examines the following subjects: the role of national leadership, including the Ministry of Defense and the Defense Headquarters, in shaping policy and strategy for military support to civil authorities; strategic and operational civil-military implications of these activities; roles and missions of the armed forces and related agencies in domestic activities; establishing guidelines for defense support to civil authorities; interactions with nongovernmental organizations (NGOs) and civil society entities; and constitutional, legislative, and logistical considerations.

Participants analyze military support to civilian law enforcement and related authorities to include the use of military equipment, intelligence, reserve component, and public affairs personnel. As appropriate, disaster response, counter narcotics, civil disturbances, law enforcement, combating terrorism, the role of private security companies, and refugee affairs are considered. CCMR's approach to teaching this material focuses on the host country's unique requirements. Employing a simulation exercise approach and the study of operational lessons learned from a relevant assortment of cases, participants are equipped with the skills and knowledge needed to design effective linkages between civil authorities and armed forces.

Participants: This course is designed for civilian government officials, military officers in the ranks of major to general, and representatives from other institutions concerned with domestic support operations, such as representatives from civil society.