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PRESS RELEASE FOR EXERCISE BRIGHT EYE

(to be announced by CINCNORTH on 6 May 1968)

1 1. "General Sir Kenneth DARLING, Commander-in-Chief, Allied
2 Forces Northern Europe (AFNORTH), announced to-day that a NATO
3 Search and Rescue Exercise called BRIGHT EYE is to be held this
4 summer in three parts of the AFNORTH area. This exercise will
5 involve the air and naval forces of six NATO nations and is designed
6 to test the search and rescue collaboration procedures with
7 neighbouring NATO countries. It will also test the means of
8 communications between their respective rescue co-ordination centres.

9 2. The exercise is separated into three independent parts with
10 live flying operations being conducted on 7 May in the southern part
11 of AFNORTH, on 2 July in the central part of the area and on
12 20 August in the northern part. Forces from Denmark, Germany,
13 Netherlands, Norway and the United Kingdom will participate, as well
14 as United States elements stationed in Germany and Iceland!"

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TEXT OF THE PRESS RELEASE IN ENGLISH FOR EXERCISE POLAR EXPRESS

(to be released simultaneously by SACEUR and CHOD Norway
at 1400 hours on 13 May 1968)

1 1. "General Lyman L. LEMNITZER, Supreme Allied Commander
2 Europe, announced to-day (13 May) that a NATO Field Exercise will
3 be conducted in the Bardufoss area in Troms, North Norway, from
4 3-22 June. The exercise called POLAR EXPRESS will be designed to
5 train the ACE Mobile Force (AMF) in deployment to the vital flanks
6 of Allied Command Europe. The role of the ACE Mobile Force is to
7 deter aggression by demonstrating NATO solidarity by its timely
8 deployment.

9 2. In Exercise POLAR EXPRESS elements of the AMF will be
10 transported to North Norway and will manoeuvre with Norwegian and
11 British Forces, under the overall direction of CINCNORTH, General
12 Sir Kenneth DARLING. Major General F. Zeiner GUNDERSEN, Commander
13 Allied Task Force North Norway, will conduct the exercise in Norway.
14 Units taking part will include the ACE Mobile Force Land Component,
15 which consists of a multi-national HQ, three battalion groups from
16 Canada, Italy and UK respectively, with support units from Italy,
17 UK and US. These forces will be under the command of Major
18 General G.A. TURCOT from the Canadian Armed Forces, Commander of the
19 ACE Mobile Force Land Component. A British Royal Marine Commando
20 Group, operating from a commando ship with its troopcarrying naval
21 helicopters, will also participate in the exercise.

22 3. Units of the ACE Mobile Force Air Component will include
23 squadrons from the Royal Netherlands Air Force, the US Air Force,
24 the British Royal Air Force and the Belgian Air Force".

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TEXT OF THE PRESS RELEASE IN FRENCH FOR EXERCISE POLAR EXPRESS

(to be released simultaneously by SACEUR and MOD Norway

at 1400 hours on 13 May 1968)

- 1 1. "Le Général d'Armée Lyman L. LEMNITZER, Commandant Suprême
2 Allié en Europe, a annoncé aujourd'hui 13 mai qu'un Exercice OTAN se
3 déroulerait sur le terrain dans la région de Bardufoss à Troms,
4 Norvège Septentrionale, du 3 au 22 juin. L'exercice, appelé POLAR
5 EXPRESS, aura pour but d'entraîner la Force Mobile du CAE (AMF) à se
6 déployer sur les flancs vitaux du Commandement Allié en Europe. Le
7 rôle de la Force Mobile du CAE est de décourager toute intention
8 d'agression en démontrant la solidarité de l'OTAN par son
9 déploiement en temps opportun.
- 10 2. Dans le cadre de l'Exercice POLAR EXPRESS, des éléments de
11 l'AMF seront transportés en Norvège Septentrionale et manoeuvreront
12 avec des Forces Norvégiennes et Britanniques, sous la direction
13 d'ensemble du CINCNORTH, le Général d'Armée Sir Kenneth DARLING. Le
14 Major-Général F. Zeiner GUNDERSEN, Commandant la Force d'Intervention
15 Alliée de Norvège Septentrionale, dirigera l'exercice en Norvège.
16 Les unités participantes comprendront l'élément Terre de la Force
17 Mobile du CAE, lequel comporte un QG Multinational, trois groupements
18 de l'importance du bataillon appartenant respectivement au Canada, à
19 l'Italie, et au Royaume-Uni avec des unités de soutien Italiennes,
20 Britanniques et Américaines. Ces forces seront placées sous le
21 commandement du Major-Général G.A. TURCOT, des Forces Armées
22 Canadiennes, Commandant l'élément Terre de la Force Mobile due CAE.
23 Un groupement de Commando de l'Infanterie de Marine Britannique

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1 opérant à partir d'un Navire de Commando, avec ses hélicoptères
2 navals transporteurs de troupes participera également à l'exercise.
3 3. Les unités de l'élément air de la Force Mobile du CAE
4 comporteront des Escadrons de l'Armée de l'Air Néerlandaise, de
5 l'Armée de l'Air Américaine, de l'Armée de l'Air Britannique et de
6 la Force Aérienne Belge".

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