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Farewell ceremony for EUROCORPS soldiers deploying to Central African Republic

Strasbourg, May the 30th, 2017

AT AUBERT DE VINCELLES BARRACKS IN STRASBOURG.

On June 1st 2017, EUROCORPS Headquarters will bid farewell to its personnel once more deploying abroad in the framework of the European Union Training Mission in Central African Republic (EUTM RCA).

Designated EUROCORPS Chief of Staff, Spanish Major General Fernando García Blázquez, has been appointed as the EUTM RCA Mission Commander during the second semester of 2017. General García Blázquez will lead the 66-member team from EUROCORPS representing the Framework Nations Belgium, France and Spain. This team will make up the key nucleus of EUTM RCA Mission Headquarters in Bangui, comprising a total of 170 military personnel from ten nations.

The ceremony will be chaired by Eurocorps Commander, Lieutenant General Alfredo Ramírez, and will take place at the Eurocorps Headquarters barracks Aubert de Vincelles in Strasbourg.

With the third contribution to the EUTM RCA in a row and simultaneously preparing to assume the role of a Land Component Command Headquarters for the NATO Response Force in 2020, Eurocorps clearly demonstrates once more its EU-NATO duality.

EUTM RCA is a Common Security and Defence military training mission, established by the Council of the European Union at the request of the Central African authorities. The mission will be based in Bangui and will operate for an initial period of two years.

Media representatives are kindly invited to cover the ceremony which references are displayed right below.

Upon request, the EUTM RCA Mission Commander will be available for interviews after the ceremony.

Media references:

Date: **Thursday 1 June 2017
15.00 – 15.15 hrs**

Location: Quartier Aubert de Vincelles, Strasbourg

Agenda: **Until 14.30 hrs:** Welcome to media representatives and accreditation.

Media representatives are expected at the entrance gate of Aubert de Vincelles barracks, Rue du Corps Européen, 67020 Strasbourg / France

Identity card and a press card will be requested

15.00 hrs: Farewell Ceremony begins

15.15 hrs: Farewell Ceremony ends

Subscription: Fill in the form attached in annex and send not later than 31 May 17, 17.00 hrs to Eurocorps Public Affairs Office,

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