

NATO Allied Command Transformation



Fact Sheet – Projecting Stability Experiment in Viking 18 Exercise

“If NATO’s neighbours are more stable, NATO is more secure”

Warsaw Summit Declaration, 9 July 2016

Introduction:

At the Warsaw Summit, NATO Heads of State and Government agreed that against the background of an increasingly unstable global security environment, and based on a broad and strengthened Deterrence and Defence posture, NATO seeks to contribute more to the efforts of the international community in Projecting Stability and strengthening security outside its territory, thereby contributing to the Alliance security overall. Projecting Stability was launched to bring together the Alliance’s efforts in Defence Capacity Building (DCB), partnerships and crisis management in a coherent way.

What is Projecting Stability?: *‘Projecting Stability is a set of proactive activities, coherently articulated and comprehensively developed, which influence and shape the strategic environment in order to make it more secure and less threatening.’*

At the Warsaw Summit, Allies agreed that, in light of the changed and evolving security environment, the Alliance must and will continue effectively fulfilling its three core tasks (Collective Defence, Crisis Management and Cooperative Security), all of which remain fully relevant, are complementary and contribute to safeguarding the freedom and security of all Allies. Projecting Stability beyond NATO territory is related to all three core tasks. While renewed emphasis has been placed on Deterrence and Defence, NATO must retain its ability to respond to crises beyond its borders, and remain actively engaged in enhancing international security through supporting partners and working with other international organisations.

NATO continues to enhance its role in Projecting Stability, including through enhancing regional understanding and situational awareness, further adapting to the challenges and threats from all directions, reinforcing its maritime dimension, and developing a more strategic, more coherent, and more effective approach to partnerships. These efforts draw upon the important contributions that partners can bring. The Alliance, including with partners where appropriate, continues to help manage challenges – before, during, and after conflict – where they affect Alliance security.

The Viking Opportunity

Viking 2018 offers a platform to mature and broaden the understanding of Projecting Stability by observing Viking’s network of Nations, Partners, IO’s and NGO’s and how they can interact in a future complex environment and combine to create a more secure and stable world.

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