

NATO Allied Command Transformation

Trident Juncture 2018 (TRJE18)



Fact Sheet – Theatre Opening Capability

TRJE18 Mission:

TRJE18 provides an environment for existing or new capabilities to be tested, refined, and further developed. By coordinating and integrating experiments from NATO entities and Nations into TRJE18, we seek to allow the best experimental results without placing exercise objectives at risk. Allied Command Transformation Operational Experimentation has assigned a TRJE18 Venue Coordinator since the number of TRJE18 experiments now exceeds 20 activities, ranging from discovery to validation.

Experiment Description:

This experiment will utilise the NATO environment to declare Final Validation of Concept of Smart Defence Project 1.18 Theatre Opening Capability Airport of Debarkation.

The Theatre Opening Capability Airport of Debarkation will be delivered by an expeditionary force to determine the ability to rapidly deploy to an operational theatre to enable, operate, sustain airport operations for a short-term. It will conduct and coordinate the handling of cargo and passengers as part of the wider spectrum of Reception, Staging and Onward Movement which is being developed separately under Smart Defence Project 2.49. The Theatre Opening Capability Airport of Debarkation will provide airport (passenger and cargo air transport handling) services to all inter-theatre strategic airlift and connecting intra-theatre tactical airlift in support of the NATO mission.

The aim is to provide a rapid Multi National Expeditionary Theatre Opening Capability Airport of Debarkation that supports elements of the Reception, Staging and Onward Movement of deploying forces for a period of 90 days.

The TRJE18 Opportunity:

TRJE18 offers an opportunity to exercise the integration of Theatre Opening Capability Airport of Debarkation into the LIVEX planning process; within the Operational and Tactical Concept of Operations and provides an environment to assess the ability for rapid and short-term deployment and supports key interaction and coordination with key players, stakeholders and the Host Nation.

Categories:

Live Exercise

Milestone:

Jul 2018 – TRJE18 Final Coordination Conference
Apr/May 2018 - Site survey in Norway
May 2018 - TOC nations confirm agreement to requirements
25 Oct – 7 Nov 2018 – Live Exercise Execution
Post TRJE18 Experiment - Provide Final Validation of Concept of Smart Defence Project 1.18 Theatre Opening Capability Airport of Debarkation
Post TRJE18 Experiment – Availability of Theatre Opening Capability Airport of Debarkation for future NATO Operations

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