



On 23 May 2012, Military Orchestra from the 1st German Armoured Division from Hannover paid a visit to Headquarters Multinational Corps Northeast (HQ MNC NE) in Szczecin to familiarize with the Corps' history, tasks and organisation.

The visit of soldiers who are musicians was initiated by the Military Church Committee. The visit began with a briefing given by Lieutenant Colonel Boris Schnelle, Chief of the Headquarters' Visitors and Observers Bureau (VOB) in Baltic Barracks. Not only did the presentation provide the understanding about the Corps' history, tasks and role but also described how the cooperation works between the three Framework Nations of the Corps, i.e. Denmark, Germany and Poland, and the other nine Participating States.

"It was really interesting to get knowledge about the unique atmosphere of working in a multinational compound", said Military Deacon Wilfried Lingnau, a member of the group. *"Since many German soldiers and their families live in Poland, we were also interested in their personal feelings about being a member of HQ MNC NE as well as about Szczecin – home garrison of Headquarters family,"* he added.

HQ MNC NE: an extraordinary unit

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Various groups of German service members arrive in Baltic Barracks to learn about the Corps every year but visitors from the Military Orchestra of the 1st German Armoured Division were guests in Baltic Barracks for the first time. They were interested in Multinational Corps Northeast itself but also used the opportunity to learn more about the history of Szczecin during a guided tour.

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