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On 19th June 2007 last vehicles with equipment and soldiers left the Baltic Barracks, which was the signal that an annual exercise COMPACT GREEN has come to an end. The main idea of this purely technical exercise was to test communication systems that signal units subordinate to Command Support Brigade (CSB) are equipped with. These battalions support Headquarters Multinational Corps Northeast in terms of Communication Information Systems (CIS) and the creation of workstations if needed.

Stargard Szczecinski-based Command Support Brigade, which is currently being created, is subordinate to Headquarters Multinational Corps Northeast. Three battalions constitute this Brigade, namely German 610th Battalion, Polish 100th Signal Battalion and 104th Support Battalion located in Wałcz.

All in all 150 soldiers from these three battalions as well as representatives from Advanced Party Command Support Brigade took part in this exercise. The exercise was held in two places, namely the Baltic Barracks and the barracks in Wałcz.

MAJ Pankau, the exercise coordinator, explained that during this year's COMPACT GREEN

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various means of communication between field workstations were tested, for example conducting conversations on the phone, sending faxes or emails and contacting via NATO networks. A matter of concern was checking the exact time of sending files or attachments from one location to another.

COL Sobolewski, Chief of Staff of Command Support Brigade, emphasized that the results of the exercise are satisfactory. The soldiers got acquainted with tasks and they tested the equipment successfully.

Within Command Support Brigade there are soldiers coming from Poland and Germany and this exercise provided another opportunity to show good relations and effective cooperation between battalions, which in fact is also maintained in between these annual exercises.