



The 41st session of the Corps Committee Meeting held in Baltic Barracks on 1 – 2 March 2011 was successfully completed. Multinational Corps Northeast received from its supervisory body further guidance concerning its nearest and more distant future.

This Corps Committee Meeting was chaired by the German Colonel (GS) Alfons Mais, assisted by the Secretary, Lieutenant Colonel Thorsten Fries, who served at Headquarters Multinational Corps Northeast in G3 Staff Division until summer 2010. The Danish side was represented by Lieutenant Colonel Bjarne Møller and the Secretary, Captain Michael Aakjær whereas Colonel Dariusz Parylak was the Polish Co-Chairman, assisted by Lieutenant Colonel Krzysztof Karczewski. Both Polish representatives participated already in the last Corps Committee Meeting; however, it was the first session after taking over duties.

The Corps Committee Meeting followed a regular schedule: first, representatives of the Corps reported about ongoing and planned issues, subsequently, they provided comprehensive summaries of tasks assigned to the Corps during the previous Corps Committee Meeting held in November 2010, and then they presented the Corps' inquires, proposals and suggestions. Afterwards, members of the Corps Committee representing the three Framework Nations of the Corps, i.e. Denmark, Germany and Poland, debated in their own circle in order to present their findings and comments to the Corps afterwards.

Among topics raised during this session of the Corps Committee Meeting was an operational design of the Commander's Vision that would shape the Corps' future and bring that Vision into

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life in order to ensure a “recognized and sustainable Corps Headquarters.” Further steps were also taken in terms of the ongoing Headquarters’ structure review. Following the Corps Committee approval, the Corps is going to focus on one course of action only and prepare more detailed concept of the structure review for the following Corps Committee Meeting in May.

An important issue also referred to wider multinationality, which implies that more nations shall join the Corps in the nearest future. In fact, that is one of the Commander Lieutenant General Rainer Korff’s priorities: to have more flags fluttering in Baltic Barracks making the Corps’ family bigger and richer in experiences. At the same time, the members of the Corps Committee discussed the possibilities to involve representatives of the Corps’ Participating States more actively in the conceptual work as well as in the Corps Committee issues, following an overarching idea of the Corps acting transparently and openly.

At the end of this session, the Corps’ Commander Lieutenant General Rainer Korff bid farewell to the Danish Secretary, Captain Michael Aakjær, for whom this meeting was the last one before deploying to a mission area.

