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Approaching the Exercise Crystal Eagle 2012, Headquarters Multinational Corps Northeast (HQ MNC NE) has made the next significant step forward during the Main Planning Conference (MPC) conducted from 15 to 18 November 2011 in Nyminidegab in Denmark.

Representatives from HQ MNC NE, Host Nation Denmark and all other nations participating in the exercise arrived in Nyminidegab Camp to discuss and coordinate the exercise design and role of different elements and units during that exercise. The conference was conducted as a series of plenary briefing sessions, discussions and syndicate workshops. Furthermore MPC was conducted in Denmark in order to have the possibility to scout the exercise area for the second time, coordinate all real life related issues with the Host Nation representatives and in case of any problems – to solve them on the spot.

“All major aims planned for this conference were reached,” said Major General Ryszard Sorokosz, the MNC NE Deputy Commander who headed the conference.

“During the conference I have seen proactive and effective cooperation of all syndicates’ members. An important outcome of this event is the common understanding among all the participating parties of the Corps’ intent how to carry on preparations and to conduct the Exercise Crystal Eagle 2012,”

he added.

The Exercise Crystal Eagle 2012 is one of the ways how the Corps “pays back” to the

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Framework Nations and Participating States by training nominated formations in a Crisis Response Operations scenario with High Intensity Warfare aspects. In order to make this training event more comprehensive, all Lessons Learnt from the HQ MNC NE ISAF deployments (2007 and 2010) are taken into consideration as far as exercise organization and scenario are concerned.