**Soccer Branch Team of Headquarters Multinational Corps Northeast (HQ MNC NE) took part on the 32.German Oldies Outdoor Tournament held at the Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers Europe (SHAPE) in Mons, Belgium, on 8 and 9 June 2012.**

On the first day of the tournament, two groups out of all participating teams were created and group matches were played. HQ MNC NE team was in Group B, together with Debrecen, France, Poland, Three Nations FC and LwFlg BMVg. Group A consisted of German Oldies, Turkey, Argentina, Les Score-Buteux, PersAmt BW and Italy. Each team played against each other in 18 minute time schedule.
The team from Szczecin was formed by soldiers from HQ MNC NE, Headquarters Company (HQ Coy) and National Support Elements (NSE). After a series of fantastic matches, such as victory over Debrecen and LwFlg BMVg, we ended up the round in the top score with all won games.

The three first teams from each group were qualified to play matches in next day for positions 1-6. After draws in the match Argentina and France, HQ MNC NE team beat PersAmt BW and Poland. Before the very last match, we had been on the second place and to win the whole tournament, we only needed to win the last game against Les Score-Buteux. Almost to the end,

the match was running according to our plan. But in the last second of the match, we lost a goal. Then, the whistle of the referee resounded and the game was over.

Even though HQ MNC NE did not win the whole tournament but took the second position after Argentina, all players were fully satisfied with the games and great sports atmosphere, hoping for another tournament at SHAPE and an occasion for rematch.

After the tournament, in the evening, the German Oldies Team made sure that all players could watch the ongoing European Championship 2012 together. It was also a great opportunity to keep and develop contact, and have discussions with players from different nations.

*In the group photo: top row from the left:* WO Nowicki, SGT Bejma, CPL Marcinkowski, PFC Konczalski, PFC Klym, WO Gibaszek, WO Rogalski, SGT Kajtowski;
*Middle row from the left*: MS Kubat, MS Sankowsky, MS Kawczyk, WO Wroński, PFC Klucowicz, CAPT Wawrzyniak;
*Bottom row from the left:* PFC Marcinkowski and SGT Guzior.

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