



**Command Support Brigade (CSB)** is a formation assigned to the Multinational Corps Northeast (MNC NE) for exercises, operations or missions. The formation, which officially became operational on 1st July 2007, is as unique as the Corps in terms of its multinational character. The Headquarters of Command Support Brigade is situated in Stargard Szczeciński, Poland, but the subordinate units are located in different places. German 610th Signal Battalion is stationed in Prenzlau, Germany, whereas Polish 100th Signal Battalion and 104th Support Battalion are situated in Wałcz, Poland, as well as the Polish 102nd Force Protection Battalion, which is only formed when necessary. Moreover, the Polish National Support Element (POL NSE) and Headquarters Company (HQ COY) supporting HQ MNC NE in Szczecin are subordinated to the CSB Commander, too.

The Command Support Brigade's task is to establish, operate and maintain four "bodies" or levels of command, i.e. Main Headquarters, Alternate Command Post, Forward Command Element and Headquarters Support Cluster. Moreover, the CSB is to enable the MNC NE to operate independently and this is why it has to provide for accommodation, transportation and messing, security and force protection, power supply etc. Finally, establishing, operating and maintaining the Communication and Information System (CIS) is also included in the CSB's tasks.