

## PARTICIPANTS

VALIANT LYNX 18 will serve to measure and verify the combat readiness of NRDC-ESP Headquarters (Bétera-Valencia), "San Marcial" ESP Division Headquarters (Burgos), ESP Artillery Command (MACA) (León), ESP Guadarrama Brigade (Madrid) and ESP Cavalry Regiment "España" 11 in accordance with NATO standards.

<b>San Marcial DIVISION</b>	<b>NRDC-ESP Headquarters</b>	<b>Artillery Command</b>
<b>Guadarrama Brigade</b>	<b>Signal Command</b>	<b>España 11 Cavalry Rgt</b>
<b>Military Police Bat</b>	<b>Signal 21 Regiment</b>	<b>HQ Support Battalion</b>

Personnel	5000
Armored vehicles	235
Light vehicles	550
Containers	160

The following units play also an important role :

- LANDCOM (Izmir - Turkey)
- MNC-NE (Szczecin – Poland)
- NATO Force Integration Units-Estonia (NFIU)
- ESP Land Forces Command (FUTER)
- ESP Division Headquarters "Castillejos"
- ESP Doctrine Command (MADOC)
- ESP Signal Command (MATRANS)
- GRC 34th Mechanized Brigade
- PRT 1st Mechanized Brigade
- ESP Army Aviation Brigade (FAMET)
- ESP Antiaircraft Artillery Command (MAAA)
- ESP Logistic Brigade (BRILOG)
- ESP Medical Brigade (BRISAN)
- ESP Engineer Command (MING)
- ESP Intelligence Regiment (RINT 1)
- ESP CBRN Regiment (Rgto NBQ 1)
- NRDC-ESP HQ Support Battalion (Bón CGTAD)
- ESP Military Police Battalion (Bón PM I)
- ESP CIMIC Battalion (Bón CIMIC I)
- CAOC Torrejón
- ESP Air Force Command (MACOM)

By leading the exercise VALIANT LYNX 18, which will involve different NATO actors, Spain keeps proving its commitment to the allies and particularly to NATO.

## NATO involvement...

Valiant Lynx 18 exercise represents the **main commitment of the Spanish Army to NATO in 2018**. Through this exercise, the forces will practice working together effectively, swiftly and collectively.



It involves the participation of the **Allied Land Command HQ (LANDCOM)**, the affiliated Portuguese and Greece Mechanized Brigades and the **NATO Force Integration Units-Estonia (NFIU EST)**. Their participation contributes to improve the interoperability and provides an opportunity to refine the procedures both from NATO and the Spanish Armed Forces.



# VALIANT LYNX 2018 Exercise

## The latest NRDC-ESP Milestones...



ISAF Joint Command (Afghanistan), 2012



JTF(L) HQ Certification Trident Jaguar 14



eNRF/LCC Certification Trident Juncture 15



VJTF/eNRF Stand-by Brilliant Jump 16



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## HQ NRDC-ESP



**HEADQUARTERS**  
**NATO RAPID DEPLOYABLE CORPS SPAIN**



## NRDC-ESP COMMANDER'S WELCOME

As NATO Rapid Deployable Corps-Spain Commander (COM NRDC-ESP), I am pleased to welcome you to VALIANT LYNX 18 exercise. The aim of this exercise is to train the Spanish Army Command and Control Structure from Corps to Brigade level in a Major Joint Operation plus (MJO+) under the full spectrum of operations against a near-peer adversary, in deployed Command Posts and including some deployed units.

For NRDC-ESP Headquarters, this exercise is the culminating event in a series of events to train the Headquarters in its Corps role prior to starting the preparation for its role as Joint Task Force Headquarters (JTF HQ) after summer 2018.

I wish to particularly express my gratitude to LANDCOM, MNC NE Headquarters and the affiliated Greek and Portuguese Mechanized Brigades for their contribution to the execution of this exercise.

Finally, my deepest gratitude to all units and participants in VALIANT LYNX 18 exercise who, through their dedication and professionalism, have made possible to achieve our main objective: to obtain the highest level of preparation to carry out any assigned mission.

LTG Francisco José Gan Pampols



## GENERAL INFORMATION

VALIANT LYNX 18 (VL18) is a Spanish Army sponsored exercise which comprises a **Command Post phase (CPX)** and a **Live phase (LIVEX)**.

The exercise is aimed at training the **HQ NRDC-ESP as an Army Corps Headquarters**, subordinated to a Land Component Command HQ (LANDCOM), in commanding and controlling a multinational deployed force during decisive operations.

## SCENARIO

An **Exercise Control (EXCON)** Centre composed of more than 150 military personnel, allows to set the necessary conditions to reach the training objectives by the training audience. The scenario stages a **NATO-led Article 5 (Art 5) Collective Defense operation** in a fictitious state where a multinational force is deployed.

In order to produce a credible and realistic scenario to be played by the deployed Headquarters and Units, the EXCON will inject more than **350 incidents**.

