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Navy Expeditionary Combat Command (NECC) - 101

“NECC forces provide the Naval Component Commanders and Joint Force Commanders with a wide range of combat, combat support and combat service support capability, to support major combat operations, irregular and hybrid threats, security force assistance and Humanitarian Assistance/Disaster Response. Our forces extend the Navy’s influence from open ocean, through the littorals, and into the harbors, ports and rivers.”

– Rear Adm. Michael P. Tillotson, Commander, Navy Expeditionary Combat Command

Delivering the full spectrum of capability

NECC serves as the single functional command for the Navy’s expeditionary forces and as central management for the readiness, resources, manning, training and equipping of those forces. NECC provides units ready for tasking to operational commanders in all theaters across a wide range of joint- and service-specific expeditionary missions. NECC’s globally deployed, mission-tailored forces accomplish missions that combat terrorism, prevent crises and promote stability.

Expeditionary Sailors are Warfighters

NECC’s 30,000+ active and reserve Sailors link the land and maritime domains, extending the Navy’s influence from blue to green to brown water in direct support of all six phases of Joint operations:

- **The Riverine Force** is a combat-arms force that performs point defense, fire support and interdiction operations along inland water ways to defeat enemies and support U.S. Marines and coalition forces.
- **Navy Construction Force** – “We build, we fight,” has been the motto of the Navy Seabees, the Navy’s deployable engineer force, since World War II. Seabees are globally deployed, providing combat support through a wide range of military construction projects including roads, bridges, airfields and bases.
- **Explosive Ordnance Disposal** (EOD) is the world’s premier combat force for countering improvised explosive devices, weapons of mass destruction, mine countermeasures and all other types of weaponry. EOD warriors operate in every environment, anywhere around the world, and are qualified to parachute and dive. EOD is the force of choice to enable access to denied areas.
- **Maritime Expeditionary Security Force** protects and defends the green water operating area for component commanders, providing anti-terrorist/force protection capabilities globally, including landward and seaward security, ensuring that the maritime environment remains open for commerce.
- **Navy Expeditionary Intelligence Command** (NEIC) is the Navy’s first tactical intelligence command responsible for responding to evolving irregular warfare intelligence requirements. NEIC maritime intelligence teams that conduct a wide range of intelligence operations.
- **Maritime Civil Affairs and Security Training Command** deploys maritime civil affairs teams trained to support civilian-to-military operations and military-to-military training, in support of theater commanders’ security cooperation and security force assistance requirements.
- **Navy Expeditionary Logistics Support Group** trains, equips and deploys units for port and air cargo handling missions, ordnance handling services, and logistics support to forces deployed ashore.

Key Messages

- NECC forces extend the Navy’s ability to carry out the six core capabilities of the Maritime Strategy, from blue water into the green and brown water domain.
- NECC’s capabilities are necessary for, the Navy’s execution of the Maritime Strategy.
- NECC’s operational reservists are manned, trained and equipped as operational units that deploy just like their active duty counterparts.

Facts & Figures

- 53 percent of NECC forces are reserve component Sailors, who are integral to NECC meeting its mission.
- On any given day, approximately one-third of NECC’s forces are deployed on missions ranging from partnership building to protecting infrastructure.
- For more on NECC, visit <http://www.necc.navy.mil>.