

Brazilian Peace Operations Joint Training Center SERGIO VIEIRA DE MELLO



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1. From <u>September 07 to 09</u>, 2015, took CCOPAB part in the International Seminar: Gender in Operations at the Peace Argentinean Center of Joint Training for Peace Operations (CAECOPAZ, acronym in Spanish) in Buenos Aires, Argentina. During



the seminar relevant and updated information on gender perspective and women, peace and security in Peace Operations, enabling the participants to advise, generate awareness and be the catalysts of this topic, was imparted.

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 From September 28 to October 2, the 21st Annual Conference of the International Association of the Peacekeeping Training Centers - 21st IAPTC - took place in Brasília, DF. The event, promoted by the Brazilian Ministry of Defense, through the Brazilian Army,



and coordinated by CCOPAB, gathered 218 participants representing 52 countries in discussions of issues related to peace operations activities.

The Opening Ceremony of the Conference was attended by the Chief of IAPTC Executive the Committee. Colonel Taufik Budi Santoso, from Indonesia, representing the Association's President, General Anto Mukti Putrano: the Chief of the Brazilian Armed Forces Joint Staff, General José Carlos De Nardi; the Brazilian Army Commander. General Eduardo Dias da Costa Villas Bôas: General Peixoto Vieira Floriano Neto, member of the UN High Level Independent





Panel on Peace Operations; and the Commander of the Peace Mission in the DR Congo, General Carlos Alberto dos Santos Cruz.

<u>IAPTC 2015</u>

According to the Commander of the Brazilian Peace Operations Joint Training Center (CCOPAB), Colonel José Ricardo Vendramin Nunes, receiving the 21st edition of the Conference means demonstrating how much the country is committed towards peace operations. "The greatest challenge is gathering the necessary capabilities of the teams to accomplish the UN mission", he highlighted.

3. From November 02 to 06, 2015, CCOPAB took part in the ToT Child Protection Course in <u>SWEDINT</u> (International Center of the Swedish Armed Forces). The course was conducted by the Department of Peacekeeping Operations (DPKO) in Sweden. The goal of the course was



to disseminate the Specialized Training Materials (STM) on Child Protection for trainers of Member States. Nineteen foreign students, among military and civilian, from several countries took part in the course.

4. In the morning of <u>October 13</u>, CCOPAB started off the UN Predeployment Avanced Field Exercise (EAOP, acronym in Portuguese), in Pelotas-RS, as part of the final preparation of the 23rd Brazilian Battalion (23rd BRABAT) which will be part of the United Nations Stabilization Mission in Haiti (MINUSTAH,

acronym in French). The exercise took place until October 23, and its goal was to evaluate the preparation, training and professional efficiency in а peace operation, to consolidate the esprit de corps and the of mission feelina





accomplished among the members of the contingent, and finally, to certify the battalion.

5. From October 25 to 30, CCOPAB carried out the UN Pre-deployment Advanced Field Exercise (EAOP, acronym in Portuguese) in Aquidauana-MS. That was the last phase of the preparation of the Brazilian Engineering Company



(BRAENGCOY) which will depart in November to be part of the 23rd Brazilian Contingent of the UN Stabilization Mission in Haiti (MINUSTAH, acronym in French).

The goal of EAOP was to evaluate and certify BRAENGCOY's performance when facing several



simulation that portrays the operational environment the company might face in that country during its tour of duty.

6. MINUSTAH News

(source: <u>UN News Centre</u>)

- <u>October 22</u> Ban Ki-moon salutes next phase of the Electoral Process in Haiti.
- <u>October 14</u> Extension of the mandate of the UN Stabilization Mission in Haiti.
- <u>October 08</u> Haiti will take resolute measures to renew its democratic institutions.

7. CCOPAB's Digital Magazine



- Digital Magazine: Perspectives, reflections and lessons learned

(Portuguese, Spanish and English)

Activities carried out in this period

- Civil-Military Coordination Course (CIMIC) – <u>Sep 14</u> to <u>18</u>;

- UN Military Observer/Staff Officer/Police Officer Courses (EPMP, acronym in Portuguese) - <u>Sep 14 to Oct 9</u>;

- CCOPAB's participation in the 21st Annual Conference of the International Association of Peacekeeping Training Centers (IAPTC), in Brasília - <u>Sep 28 to Oct 02</u>;

- UN Pre-deployment Advanced Field Exercise (EAOP, acronym in Portuguese) - Oct 12 to 23 (Infantry) - <u>link 1</u> and <u>link 2</u>;

- UN Pre-deployment Advanced Field Exercise (EAOP, acronym in Portuguese) - Oct 12 to 23 (Engineering) - <u>link 1</u> and <u>link 2</u>;

- Mobile Training Teams (MTT) in Mozambique - November 9 to 13;

- Course to train civilian to work in unstable environments - <u>November 16 to 18</u>;

- MTF/UNIFIL Commander and Staff Course (EPCO - FTM) - November16 to 19; and

- Course on Safe and Secure Approaches in Field Environments (UNSSAFE) -November 24 to 26.

Agenda for December, January and February

- Pedagogical Brush-up Course (ESTAP, acronym in Portuguese) - January;

-Unit Commanders and Joint Staff Course (EPCOEM, acronym in Portuguese) – February 1 to 5;

- Subunit Commanders and Platoon Leaders Course (EPCOSUPEL, acronym in Portuguese) - February 15 to 28;

- Military Translators and Interpreters Course (ETIMIL, acronym in Portuguese) - February 22 to March 25; and

- UN Logistics and Reimbursement Course (Est Log Op Paz, acronym in Portuguese) -February 29 to March 11.

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