



International Affairs Program Newsletter

Headquarters Marine Corps, International Affairs Branch

Fourth Quarter 2022

Special points of interest:

- Marine FAOs Graduate from Foreign PME Courses
- HQMC Hosts Foreign Attaché Brief
- PEP Updates
- IRT Travel to Israel
- FAS Program Study Track Selection Board Announcement

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Director, Strategy and Plans Division Issues International Affairs Operating Guidance

Brigadier General Simon M. Doran assumed the role of Director, Strategy and Plans Division (PL), within the office of the Deputy Commandant for Plans Policy and Operations (PP&O) on 15 July, 2022. As the Marine Corps proponent for the International Affairs Program, Brigadier General Doran recently issued operating guidance for all Marine Foreign Area Officers (FAO), Regional Affairs Officers (RAO) and Foreign Affairs Staff Non-Commissioned Officers (FAS) to emphasize their role in supporting the Stand In Force operating concept by building and maintaining relationships with key allies and partners. The full memorandum is published below and the original may be found [HERE](#) under "Orders and Directives".

The references for the memorandum are:

- A Concept for Stand In Forces, December 2021 (Read it [HERE](#))
- DoDI 1315.20 "Management of the DoD Foreign Area Officer Program" (Read it [HERE](#))



**Brigadier General Simon M. Doran,
Director, Strategy and Plans Division**

Marine Foreign Area Officers (FAO), Regional Affairs Officers (RAO), and Foreign Area Staff Non-Commissioned Officers (FAS) will leverage their specialized skills and regional expertise to maintain confidence in U.S. security guarantees and enable stand in force (SIF) operations. Per reference (a), international partnerships are essential to SIF operations at every level and these relationships depend on allies' and partners' confidence in U.S. security commitments.

Reference (b) defines FAOs as "joint force strategic effects operators who advance U.S. military objectives in foreign theaters." Reference (b) also designates FAOs as the primary candidates to serve as DoD, joint, and military department representatives to foreign militaries, U.S. Embassies, and in other

foreign settings. Marine FAOs will employ their specialized skills and expertise to enable strategic cooperation across the air, land, sea, space, and cyber-space domains. Likewise, RAO and FAS Marines will utilize their specialized education and training across operational domains at the strategic, operational, and tactical levels to maximize cohesion with allied and partner forces.

As the Marine Corps dedicated international affairs professionals, FAOs, RAOs, and FASs will serve as regional desk officers, operational planners, security cooperation professionals, advisors, and attachés who facilitate coordination and mutual support between U.S., allied, and partner forces. They will operate at the forefront of Marine, joint, and interagency engagements with allies and partners around the globe.

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FAOs, RAOs, and FASs will play a key role in establishing and maintaining the low-signature maritime defense central to the SIF concept. They will advise and support commanders at every echelon in navigating complex geopolitical and human terrain to maintain a durable asymmetric advantage over adversaries and competitors. The nature of U.S. interactions with regional allied and partner forces, governments, and populations will directly influence their support for a U.S. security presence and SIF operations. This support will be critical to ob-

taining regional access, overflight, logistics, and communications support within the region.

Relationships remain a key element in forging and strengthening critical international partnerships. As the Marine Corps and joint force confront new threats, Marine FAOs, RAOs, and FAS' will maintain the strategic initiative to build confidence in U.S. security guarantees and set conditions for success in the current and future geopolitical operating environment..

S.M. Doran

Program Manager's Message

By: LtCol Christopher Dellow

Ladies and Gentlemen,

The fourth quarter has been very busy in the International Affairs Programs Office! We continue to work on creating a more sustainable and viable career path for FAOs in accordance with the Marine Corps requirements. With the recent update to the DoD Instruction on Management of Service FAO programs and BGen Doran's guidance to the community on FAO/RAO/FAS employment, the program office has a clear understanding of where we need to go. Our current priorities going into the 1st quarter are as follows:

Marines: We continue to focus on making the best IAP Marines possible. From MOS selection to Naval Post Graduate School, language training, and IRT execution, the IAP Office is working hard to make sure that we get the right people in the right place at the right time.

FAO Single Track Initiative: As part of a wider service level initiative to retain and promote Marines with unique technical skills, the IAP Office is working with Manpower Management Plans Division to identify billets in the FMF and supporting establishment that should be changed from 8006 (any officer) to 824X (FAO). Our initial scrub identified approximately 250 billets with an International Affairs/

Pol-Mil related billet description. While all 250 billets won't be converted to 824X, the idea is to show that there is a viable career path for FAOs to the General Officer ranks as directed in the DoD and SECNAV Instructions.

FY23 Slating: It is that time of year again...In an effort to get more 2nd tour and Experience Track FAOs and RAOs slated to IAP coded billets, the IAP office is working with MMOA-3 to identify movers and billet vacancies much earlier than in previous years. Our efforts appear to have paid off as for the first time in 3 years, we have more FAOs and RAOs requesting utilization than we have billets available. In the coming weeks, the IAP office will meet with Marines from MMOA-3 to make sure that as many of our IAP coded billets are filled as possible. In 2021 only 60% of IAP coded billets were filled with IAP Marines, in 2022 we increased that number to 71%. Our goal is to have at least 85% of all IAP coded billets filled with IAP Marines.

Money: While FAOs, RAOs, and FASs provide great value to the service, our training, sustainment and program management require money. As we start FY 23, International Affairs Support Programs is starting at a significant deficit to where we were in FY22. With the elimination of OCO funds and the reduction of O&M funds,

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Program Manager's Message, Continued

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the IAP office is currently unable to fund language sustainment training for the community. While we are asking for additional money through the Calendar Year Deficiency (CYD) process and bolstering our justification for additional funds for POM-25, we will not have a clear fiscal picture until well into the 2nd quarter. We are still accepting applications for lan-

guage sustainment training but will not be approving any requests until December.

Lastly, with COVID in the rear view mirror, the IAP office is looking forward to getting out of the office and advocating for the community. As always, we look forward to your feedback on the program and on the newsletter!

If you have any questions about IAP policies, programs, or opportunities send an e-mail to: IAPMarine@usmc.mil

FAS Program Update

By: GySgt Jonathan Levine

The Defense Attaché Office has recoded all of their Ops SNCO billets for FAS MOSs. This means that FASs that apply for these positions will be looked at preferentially on the board.

The FAS Program has grown! A fantastic opportunity has become available for any FASs that desire an additional utilization assignment. The Defense Attaché Office has recoded all of their Ops SNCO billets for FAS MOSs. This means that FASs that apply for these positions will be looked at preferentially on the board. These billets are a great place to use what you have already learned to continue to benefit both yourself, and the Marine Corps. Keep an eye out for any Solicitation MARADMINs published seeking applicants.

MARADMIN 448/22 is a solicitation message seeking highly qualified SNCOs for the FAS program.

I have also made new COCOM oriented groups in MS Teams. These are designed to help you keep in touch with your fellow IAP personnel. This has already helped me do a few things and I believe that it can help you as well. I'll also be pushing out interesting training opportunities into the groups when they come up. Keep checking back to see if there is any info that may be of interest to either you, or your command.

In the next 2 months I hope to make trips to MCB Quantico, MCB Hawaii, MCB Camp Pend-

leton, MCRD San Diego, MCAS Miramar, MCAGCC 29 Palms, MCB Camp Lejeune, MCAS Cherry Point, MCAS Beaufort, and MCRD Parris Island. I will be reaching out to several of you in the coming days to help me set up meetings and schedule an area to provide briefings. If any of you are located at these bases, please let me know so that I can coordinate with you. For those of you in areas not listed, don't worry. I'll be heading your way in the near future too.

Lastly, please help to pass the word that MARADMIN 448/22 is a solicitation message seeking highly qualified SNCOs for the FAS program. If you know of any SNCOs that meet the requirements, please talk to them about the program. We are our own best advocates when it comes to employment and recruiting.

If you have any questions about FAS policies or billets, send an e-mail to: IAPMarine@usmc.mil

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Security Cooperation Opportunities!

Security Cooperation HOT FILL in Nairobi, Kenya! Africa FAOs and RAOs: We have a HOT FILL for the SCO billet in Nairobi, Kenya. This is a joint billet and will need to be filled in FY23. If you are a FY23 mover and interested in this position, please contact LtCol Dellow at: christopher.dellow@usmc.mil or 703-692-4365.

TDY Opportunity with Office of Security Cooperation (OSC) Angola: OSC Angola is seeking a qualified FAO or FAS to support security cooperation activities for intervals of 30-179 days. Portuguese language capability at the 2/2 level is desired. Billet availability is immediate. Contact Major Ryan P. Holland at HollandRP@state.gov if interested.

FY23 IAP Billet List Update

The initial FY23 FAO and RAO billet lists are posted to the IAP website ([HERE](#)).

The IAP Office has received the initial FY23 FAO vacancy list. Please note that there will be changes as we review and prioritize the list. All FAOs/RAOs seeking a utilization assignment should contact the IAP Office at IAPMarine@usmc.mil following the guidance on the IAP website. The IAP Office will coordinate with MMOA-3 and PMOS monitors to start slating discussions.

Please maintain direct communication with the IAP Office during this time.

Study-Track RAO FY23 movers who owe a utilization tour, please submit the [FY23 FAO/RAO Utilization Tour Request Form](#) to the IAP Office NLT 12 October 2022. Please provide your preferences and assignment priorities using the following format:

- 1) OCONUS
- 2) CONUS
- 3) National Capital Region

OR

- 1) Operational Command
- 2) Supporting Establishment.

Experience-Track FAOs/RAOs and FAOs/RAOs seeking a second utilization tour should also submit the [FY23 FAO/RAO Utilization Tour Request Form](#) to the IAP Office following the guidance above. The IAP Office will collect a list of interested experience-track and second utilization FAOs/RAOs and coordinate with MMOA-3 and PMOS monitor to initiate utilization discussions.

Use the QR Code Below to visit the IAP Website



If you have any questions about IAP assignments send an e-mail to:

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Marine Foreign Area Officer Graduates from Taiwanese National Defense University Course

By: Major David Liu

The 2022 PLA workshop focused on cyber security, Chinese grand strategy, the impact of the PLA's structural reforms, and guiding warfighting principles the PLA employs.

The Taiwanese National Defense University sponsors an annual workshop that focuses on discussing the history of the PLA, the military reforms it has implemented, and the recent behavioral trends it exhibits. Major David Liu represented the U.S. in this year's PLA workshop. The workshop leverages the experience of subject matter experts to provide informational lectures to participants and deliberately creates space that engenders constructive dialogue among workshop members. The 2022 PLA workshop focused on cyber security, Chinese grand strategy, the impact of the PLA's structural reforms, and guiding warfighting principles the PLA employs. The participants represent a mix of domestic agencies as well as international partners who share common interests. The workshop this year included participants from France, India, Lithuania, Czech Republic,



Major Liu receives his diploma upon graduating from a course at the Taiwanese National Defense University

Republic of Korea, the United States, each branch of the Taiwanese military, and the ministry of foreign affairs.

Major Liu is a North East Asia FAO currently assigned to Taipei, Taiwan.

Professional Development Opportunities

ACADEMIC YEAR 2022-2023 NAVAL POSTGRADUATE SCHOOL DISTANCE LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES// MARADMIN 162/22

1. The purpose of this message is to solicit applicants for advanced degree distance learning and certificate distance learning programs administered through the Naval Postgraduate School (NPS) in accordance with the references. Program start dates begin during academic year (AY) 2022 fourth quarter (Q4) (July-September 2022) through AY 2023 Q4 (July-September 2023).
2. The list of all available distance learning programs and certificates is located on the NPS distance learning graduate education website <https://nps.edu/web/dl>.
- 2.A. Education opportunities are available that align to Force Design 2030 and Talent Management 2030 concepts and capabilities Interested Marines should refer to MARADMIN 162/22 [HERE](#) for application instructions.

FISCAL YEAR 2023 SECURITY COOPERATION TRAINING DETACHMENT RESIDENT COURSE DATES

The purpose of this MARADMIN is to announce the Fiscal Year 2023 resident course dates for the Security Cooperation Training Detachment (SCTD). SCTD will conduct four open enrollment Marine Advisor Courses (N03KYK3) and three open enrollment Security Cooperation Planners Courses (N020JX3) to support Security Cooperation (SC) training requirements for the Fleet Marine Force and Marine Geographic Commanders. For more information and course dates, see the MARADMIN [HERE](#)

Professional Development Opportunities, Continued

Executive Seminar on the Russian Way of War

Headquarters Marine Corps will host a one day executive seminar discussing the “Russian Way of War” (RWoW) on 22 November 2022.

Seats for in-person attendance are limited and available only to those assigned to the National Capital Region. Virtual attendance is available to those unable to join in person.

This seminar will provide an overview of the of the Russian military.

The course is specifically designed for senior leaders and registration is open to Marines at the O5/CW3/E9 levels and above.

Qualified IAP Marines interested in attending should contact IAPMarine@usmc.mil for more information.

Foreign Area Officer Regional Skill Sustainment

Seam Course I:

Climate Change and Resource Competition

Dates: October 17-21, 2022

Location: Virtual

U.S. Indo-Pacific Command

Sustainment Course

Dates: March 26-30, 2023

Location: Virtual

Seam Course II:

The Spectrum of Conflict

Dates: December 5-8, 2022

Location: Washington, DC

U.S. European Command

Sustainment Course

Dates: April 24-27, 2023

Location: Stuttgart, Germany

U.S. Africa Command

Sustainment Course

Dates: January 23-27, 2023

Location: Virtual

U.S. Southern Command

Sustainment Course

Dates: June 5-9, 2023

Location: Virtual

U.S. Central Command

Sustainment Course

Dates: February 27-March 2, 2023

Location: Tampa/St. Petersburg, FL

***Send an e-mail to IAPMarine@usmc.mil if
interested in attending one of these courses.***

Professional Development Opportunities, Continued

Arctic Regional Security Orientation Course

The Ted Stevens Center for Arctic Security Studies is hosting an Arctic Regional Security Orientation Course (ARSOC) from 31 October 2022 to 4 November 2022.

The purpose of ARSOC is to provide baseline knowledge to personnel without Arctic experience, focusing on historical, environmental, commercial, geopolitical, and strategic issues concerning the Arctic region in order to encourage discussion, intellectual curiosity, and critical thinking.

IAP Marines interested in attending should contact TSCSupport@act-i.com to register. E-mails should include the Marine's Name, Rank, Official Email, Phone Number, Unit, and Billet.

Department of Defense-Department of State French Immersion Course

When: 7-18 November 2023

Where: Québec City, Québec, Canada

Who: Foreign Area Officers and Foreign Area Staff Non-Commissioned Officers with a DLPT score of 2/2 or above in French.

For more information, contact MAJ Nenad Filipovic, U.S. Army, at nenad.filipovic@dodiis.mil.

FAO Graduates From Jordanian Intelligence Analysis Course



Captain Elizabeth Sinclair, a Middle East Foreign Area Officer, recently attended an intelligence analysis course held by the Jordanian Armed Forces. The course was 3 weeks long and included students from Jordanian, the United Arab Emirates, and Saudi Arabia. Captain Sinclair stated: "I was the only woman and only non-native Arabic speaker! It was extremely challenging to do entirely in Arabic, especially when they spoke in dialect, but all of my colleagues and instructors were more than happy to help me with translations and any vocabulary I didn't know."

Congratulations Captain Sinclair!

If you attend a foreign PME course, we'd like to hear about it. Please send an e-mail to:

IAPMarine@usmc.mil

Captain Sinclair pictured with classmates from Jordan, United Arab Emirates and Saudi Arabia at a Jordanian Armed Forces intelligence analysis course.

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FAS Promoted by the Senior Enlisted Advisor to the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff

On 23 September 2023, Master Sergeant Diana Gutierrez was promoted to her present rank by SEAC Ramón "CZ" Colón-López, the Senior Enlisted Advisor to the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. Master Sergeant Gutierrez was selected to the Foreign Area Staff Non-Commissioned Officer Program and is currently attending Naval Postgraduate School (NPS) to complete the Regional Security Studies (Europe and Eurasia) graduate certificate program at the Department of National Security Studies. Following her studies at NPS, Master Sergeant Gutierrez will complete her language immersion and in-region training to fulfill the training requirements for the Foreign Area SNCO program.

Congratulations to Master Sergeant Gutierrez!



Master Sergeant Diana Gutierrez takes a photo with SEAC Ramón "CZ" Colón-López, after her promotion to her current rank



SEAC Ramón "CZ" Colón-López administers the oath of enlistment to Master Sergeant Diana Gutierrez.

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Headquarters Marine Corps Hosts Information Brief for Foreign Attachés

During the event, attachés received informational briefs on HQMC organization and Force Design 2030.

Attaché Day is an enduring quarterly initiative between PLU and IID to connect and collaborate with international attachés in the National Capital Region.



Mr. Thomas Braden, Deputy Branch Head, International Affairs, briefs foreign attachés.

On Friday, 9 September 2022, the Deputy Commandant for Plans, Policy & Operations, International Affairs Branch (PLU) and Deputy Commandant for Information, Intelligence Division (IID), hosted forty foreign military attachés at Henderson Hall for Attaché Day 2022.

During the event, attachés received informational briefs on HQMC organization and Force Design 2030. Major General William H. Seely, Director of Intelligence, provided opening remarks for the meeting. Mr. Thomas Braden delivered an overview of the Marine Corps as a Service and the organization of Headquarters Marine Corps. Colonel Dave Bardorf, Deputy Director of Combat Development & Integration's Capabilities Development Directorate, briefed current Marine Corps modernization efforts - educating allies and partners on future Marine Corps organization, capabilities, and priorities.

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Featured Articles by IAP Marines

Captain Mills, Walker, "Museo Naval Del Caribe Shines In Cartagena," Naval History Magazine, U.S. Naval Institute. April 2022.

Captain Riopelle, Rebecca, "Know Your Sh%t and Give a Sh%t." U.S. Naval Institute Blog. August 22, 2022. [U.S. Naval Institute Blog \(usni.org\)](https://www.usni.org/blog/2022/08/22/know-your-shit-and-give-a-shit)

Lieutenant Colonel Taylor, Casey, "Rwandan Vulnerability: The State's Failed Attempt to Eliminate Ethnicity," Foreign Area Officer Association Journal of International Affairs, October 10, 2022. https://faoajournal.substack.com/p/rwandan-vulnerability-the-states-322?publication_id=21604&isFreemail=true

PEP Update: Colombia

Major Scott Williams and Captain Walker Mills are Personnel Exchange Program (PEP) officers assigned to La Escuela Naval de Cadetes 'Almirante Padilla' (Naval Academy or ENAP) in Cartagena, Colombia. Major Williams and Captain Mills are conducting a turnover prior to Captain Mills departure for his next assignment.



Capt Mills in Coveñas with a class of COLMAR lieutenants and recent ENAP grads who took Capt Mills' course on amphibious operations.



Captain Mills delivers a copy of Naval History Magazine to the Caribbean Naval Museum that features his review of the museum in Cartagena.



Maj Williams speaks to students in the COLMAR Basic Reconnaissance Course (BRECON) in Coveñas.



Capt Mills and Maj Williams at a going away lunch for Capt Mills with the Marine Faculty at ENAP.

PEP Update: Argentina

Major Rafael Benitez is a Marine PEP assigned to the Argentine Marine Corps Headquarters in Puerto Belgrano Naval Base, Argentina. Major Benitez recently participated in an exchange of expertise between U.S. Marine and Argentine Marine Corps artillerymen.



Picture caption ARGMC Artillery Battalion OPSO talks training and readiness.



USMC and ARGMC discuss fire support coordination organizations.



ARGMC demonstrate a gun emplacement drill.

PEP Update: Brazil

Maj Felipe Bayona is a Marine Personnel Exchange Program Officer assigned to the Brazilian Corpo de Fuzileiros Navais (Marine Corps).



USMC and Brazilian officers brief LtGen David G. Bellon, Commander, MARFORSOUTH, during Exercise UNITAS 2022



COL Guimaraes and Maj Bayona during the Naval Infantry Leaders' Symposium – Africa hosted by U.S. Marine Corps Forces Africa



U.S. Marines from 3d Battalion 3d Marines with Brazilian Marines during Exercise FORMOSA 2022



USMC and CFN officers review a map during Exercise FORMOSA 2022

FAO In Region Training: Israel

By: Captain Abigail Nagel and Captain Elizabeth Sinclair

Foreign Area Officers (FAO) in the United States Marine Corps are regionally focused experts in political-military operations. To become a FAO, Marines must complete a training pipeline that includes a masters program, language training, and a year of In-Region-Training (IRT). During IRT, FAOs are attached to an embassy in their area of expertise and are required to travel through the region to gain on the ground experience and cultural understanding. During the month of July, 2022 Captain Nagel and Captain Sinclair traveled to Israel by car from their embassy in Amman, Jordan. This trip included crossing the international Jordanian-Israeli border by car, visiting historic sites in Jerusalem, Tel Aviv, Rosh HaNikra, and Nazareth.

Captain Nagel and Captain Sinclair began their trip by crossing the border between Jordan and Israel by car. Jordan and Israel normalized relations in 1994, creating the possibility of stability in the region and the ability to move through both land and air borders between the two nations. While relations between Israel and the Arab world are tense, Jordan has played a historic role as a mediator in this regard.

The first stop after crossing the land border was the historic city of Jerusalem. Jerusalem is a city that is important to three major religions: Judaism, Christianity, and Islam. Captain Nagel and Captain Sinclair visited sites that included: Dome of the Rock, Mount of Olives, The Western Wall, the Yad Vashem Holocaust Museum, and Mount Masada.

Captain Nagel and Captain Sinclair also experienced what it was like to move in and out of Palestinian territory during their visit to Bethlehem. This required knowing how to navigate the correct checkpoint, the use of their target language, and a strong understanding of cultural sensitivities. While in Bethlehem they visited the Church of Nativity and Shepherd's Field.

Captain Nagel and Captain Sinclair next traveled to the historic port town of Tel Aviv. On the drive to Tel Aviv they stopped to observe the historic port

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Captain Nagel standing on the streets of Bethlehem outside the Church of Nativity



Temple mount also known as Dome of the Rock Old City Jerusalem



At the grottoes of Rosh HaNikra, near the Israel-Lebanon border

city of Haifa along with the Hanging Gardens of Haifa. The Northern Port city of Haifa is an important economic cornerstone in Israel as Haifa is home to one of two Israeli oil refineries. A common Israeli saying goes: "Haifa works, Jerusalem prays, while Tel Aviv

IRT Travel to Israel, Continued

plays."

While in Tel Aviv Captain Nagel and Captain Sinclair visited the old port region of the city. Tel Aviv is the financial and business hub of Israel.

After Tel Aviv, Captains Nagel and Sinclair visited the most northern city of Israel, Rosh HaNikra. This city borders Lebanon and is the site of the caves and grottoes of Rosh HaNikra.

These caves hold strong historical significance as the border between Israel and Lebanon. The railway through the caves, previously a valuable trade route, was destroyed in order to block arm shipments to Arab forces during the 1948 Arab–Israeli War.

Following a tour of Rosh HaNikra, Captains Nagel and Sinclair drove east to the Sea of Galilee and the Israeli occupied Golan Heights. The northern portion of this area is predominately inhabited by ethnic Syrians, while large numbers of Israelis have settled to the south, in the areas surrounding the Sea of Galilee (Lake Tiberias).

Numerous historical battle sites dot the area, partic-

ularly along the eastern border with the Syrian-controlled side of the Golan.

Captains Nagel and Sinclair concluded their trip with a short stay in Nazareth, visiting the Catholic church of the Basilica of the Annunciation. Nazareth has a large Muslim population and is often the destination for Jordanian tourists visiting family. Nazareth is also known as the "Arab Capital of Israel."

Captain Nagel and Sinclair traveled back to Jordan by car after their visit to Nazareth. During this trip they were able to experience land border crossings, historic and culturally important locations, as well as observe strategic terrain.



Captain Sinclair outside Temple mount also known as Dome of the Rock in Old City Jerusalem

Upcoming International Affairs

Selection Panel

FY23 FOREIGN AREA STAFF NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICER PROGRAM SUPPLEMENTAL STUDY TRACK SOLICITATION MESSAGE// 448/22

This message solicits applications for the International Affairs Program (IAP) FY23 Foreign Area Staff Non-Commissioned Officer (FAS) Program supplemental study track selection panel

The FAS program study track selection method is limited to active duty component Staff Sergeants (including selectees) to Master Gunnery Sergeants. First Sergeants and Sergeants Major are not eligible for selection to the FAS Program through the study track method; however, they are encouraged to apply via the experience track method if they meet the requirements outlined in ref A. Reserve Component SNCOs are also encouraged to apply via the experience track method.

For more information, read the MARADMIN [HERE](#)

If you have any questions about the panel, send an e-mail to:

IAPMarine@usmc.mil

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Selection Board Results

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FY23 SECURITY COOPERATION OFFICER SELECTION PANEL RESULTS // 392/22

For more information, read the MARADMIN [HERE](#)

Name	Grade	PMOS	Country
Araica, E.	O4	0402	Colombia
Chu, A.M.	O4	3002	Philippines
Hotalen, J.R.	O4	0402	Angola

FY22 FOREIGN AREA STAFF NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICER PROGRAM STUDY TRACK SELECTION PANEL RESULTS // 445/22

For more information, read the MARADMIN [HERE](#)

Name	Grade	PMOS	Region
Weekes, D. C.	E6	0211	Eurasia
Syphanthavong, K. V.	E6	2336	SE Asia
Martinez, S.	E6	3152	NE Asia
Chafin, A. M.	E6	5954	SE Asia

2023 GROUND AND INTELLIGENCE PERSONNEL EXCHANGE PROGRAM SELECTION PANEL RESULTS // 394/22

For more information, read the MARADMIN [HERE](#)

Name	Grade	PMOS	Billet	Country
Delisi, J.J.	O3	0202	MCFPEP INTELLIGENCE OFF	AUS
Dalton, E.W.	O3	0202	ASSISTANT OPERATIONS OFF	AUS
Floresmar, G.	E8	0393	MCFPEP EXCHANGE LAR INSTR	AUS
Brewer, J.M.	E7	0369	TACTICS INSTRUCTOR	AUS
Halverson, L.	O4	0402	MCFPEP EXCHANGE OFFICER	FRA
Labadie, J.R.	E6	0321	MCFPEP EXCHANGE SNC0	NLD
Godbey, A.S.	O4	3002	MCFPEP EXCHANGE OFFICER	PER
Frey, C.M.	O5	0302	MCFPEP UK USMC REP	GBR
Nerdahl, M.A.	O3	0202	MCFPEP INTELLIGENCE OFF	GBR
Cruz, J.R.	E7	0321	MCFPEP EXCHANGE COMMANDO	GBR

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FY22 3RD QUARTER INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS PROGRAM EXPERIENCE TRACK SELECTION PANEL RESULTS // 371/22

For more information, read the MARADMIN [HERE](#)

Name	Grade	PMOS	AMOS	Designation	Region	Component
Addington, P.J.	O4	3002	8247	FAO	Europe	Reserve
Bates, P.M.	O3	1803	8221	RAO	Latin America	Active
Bloechle, A.M.	O4	7566	8227	RAO	Europe	Active
Deavenport, J.D.	O3	0202	8248	FAO	SE Asia	Active
Everhart, E.B.	O3	0202	8241	FAO	Latin America	Active
Fischer, B.J.	O4	7532	8241	FAO	Latin America	Active
Fitzgerald, A.C.	O4	0102	8228	RAO	SE Asia	Active
Garcia, J.	O5	6002	8241	FAO	Latin America	Active
Geiger, C.P.	O3	0402	8247	FAO	Europe	Reserve
German, T.M.	O4	0102	8247	FAO	Europe	Reserve
Hart, C.N.	O4	7565	8247	FAO	Europe	Active
Jaholkowski, A.R.	O3	0402	8247	FAO	Europe	Active
Laszcz, D.J.	O2	0206	8228	RAO	SE Asia	Active
Litecky, A.J.	O3	7208	8222	RAO	Eurasia	Reserve
Litecky, A.J.	O3	7208	8227	RAO	Europe	Reserve
Mills, W.D.	O3	0302	8241	FAO	Latin America	Active
Trunk, R.L.	O4	5803	8223	RAO	NE Asia	Reserve

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FISCAL YEAR 2024 ACTIVE AND RESERVE MARINE ATTACHÉ SELECTION BOARD RESULTS // 530/22

IAP Marines are listed below. For more information, read the MARADMIN [HERE](#)

Name	MOS	Country
CUNNINGHAM, JAMISON M	0202	ISRAEL
GOLDSTEIN, JEREMY G.	0602	BANGLADESH
KYZAR, VALERIE N.	3404	TAIWAN
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Program Announcements

Updated FY23 LREC Sustainment Program Guidance: FY23 LSP will be extremely limited due to budget cuts. LSP requests will be consolidated and prioritized based on billet (currently in, or executing orders to a FAO/ FAS coded billet), current DLPT score, and cost.

LSP requests will be due to us on the 1st day of the last month of the respective quarter (1 Dec, 1 Mar, 1 Jun, 1 Sept). PLU 8 will determine which requests will be funded based on the criteria above and needs of the Marine Corps. Please review the LSP Request Procedures on the IAP website prior to submitting your request.

You must have a FAO or FAS AMOS and a current DLPT to request funds for language sustainment. Priority is to your principal assigned language. You must show 3/3 proficiency in your principal language or an immediate validated requirement if you wish to be considered for an additional same-region 2nd or 3rd language. Priority for funding will go to FAOs below 2/2 and FASs below 1/1 preparing for a FAO/FAS assignment and DLPT. All TAD LSP requests must be command-endorsed. LSP request requirements, instructions, and templates may be found [HERE](#).

FAO/RAO/FAS/PEP's In-Action Photos and Articles : IAP& DLNSEO are looking for high-definition photos capturing FAO/RAO/FAS/PEPs in action and articles highlighting your contributions to the service and the joint force. Please send your articles and photos with a quick captions to IAPMarine@usmc.mil.

IAP Intelink SharePoint Website: We have established an Intelink SharePoint website containing trip reports, after action reports, situation reports, and other official administrative documents. IAP Marines can submit a request for access [HERE](#). Please note, this site is CAC-enabled.

IAP Outreach: As you might imagine, reaching IAP Marines using NIPR emails is not effective. In order to improve our community outreach, we asked that you increase your visits to our marines.mil website. We will continue to post community updates and future newsletters on our website, which can be found [HERE](#).

Questions? Contact us!

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