Commander, U.S. Fleet Forces (USFF) and Commander, Navy Installations Command (CNIC) will conduct Exercise Solid Curtain-Citadel Shield 2016 (SC/CS16) Feb. 1-12 on Navy installations located in the continental United States.

This annual anti-terrorism force protection (ATFP) exercise is designed to train Navy security forces to respond to threats to installations and units.

"Solid Curtain-Citadel Shield 2016 provides the means by which USFF and CNIC assess Navy anti-terrorism program command and control capabilities, and the readiness and effectiveness of fleet and region program execution throughout the U.S. Northern Command area of responsibility," said William Clark, CNIC's exercise program manager. "Exercise scenarios are based on our assessment of terrorist/homegrown violent extremist objectives, capabilities and current real-world events."

Exercise SC/CS16 is not in response to any specific threat, but is a regularly scheduled exercise. The exercise consists of approximately 300 field-training exercise events on and off Navy installations across the country, each designed to test different regional ATFP operations. The exercise's scenarios enable assessment of the Navy and civilian law enforcement's response to attacks both on installations and at soft targets off-installation.

Exercise coordinators have taken measures to minimize disruptions to normal base operations, but there may be times when the exercise causes increased traffic around bases or delays in base access. Residents near bases may also see increased security activity associated with the exercise. Base personnel should register for the AtHoc wide-area alert network to stay up to date on force protection conditions and other emergency, environmental, or exercise-related impacts on the area.

CNIC is responsible for providing support services for the Fleet, Fighter and Family with more than 52,000 military and civilian personnel under 11 Regions and 70 installations worldwide.

USFF executes the Navy AT Program in the United States to prevent, deter and defend against terrorist attacks on Department of the Navy (DoN) personnel, their families, facilities, resources, installations, and infrastructure critical to DoN mission accomplishment.

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