



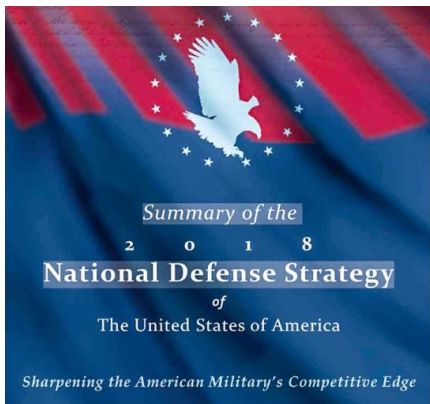
# Expeditionary Warfare Conference International Panel



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# National Defense Strategy



“Mutually beneficial alliances and partnerships are critical to our strategy, providing a durable strategic asymmetric advantage that no competitor or rival can match.”

## Strategic Approach- Sec. 4

- Build a More Lethal Force.
- **Strengthen Alliances and Attract New Partners.**
- Reform the Department for Greater Performance and Affordability.



# Australian Army

## *Duty First*



## Force Structure

- ~30K Active
- Australian Amphibious Force- CE, PLF GCE, RWE, LCE; ARE, ARU, ARG.
- Standing joint CATF/CLF ATG staff and Pre-Landing Force – Bn (-)
- GCE/LCE drawn from Combat Bdes
- 2 x Canberra Class LHD; 1 x Bay Class LSD, 12 x LLC (LCM-1E)

## Recent Operations

- RIMPAC 18\*
- Cruix de Sud\*
- EX Indo-Pacific Endeavour 18\*
- Disaster Relief

## Modernization

- Army watercraft replacement – interoperable with AAF
- Riverine Patrol capability

## Integration

- Support 'H-1' family, MV-22 & CH-53
- AAV & LCAC interoperability trials
- MRF-D embarkation



# French Army

## *Honneur et Patrie*



## Force Structure

- ARMY:
  - 2 combined arms Brigades (2x8k)
    - 3 INF Rgt / 2 CAV Rgt;
    - 1 ART Rgt / 1 ENG Rgt.
- NAVY:
  - 3 MISTRAL CLASS LHD;
  - 4 LCAT / 10 LCM.

## Recent Operations

- HARMATTAN (2013);
- Permanent readiness status;
- Permanent missions:
  - JEANNE d'ARC;
  - CORYMBE (West AFRICA);
- French and international LSE.

## Modernization

- Ground VHL, C2 (SCORPION), Helos;
- LCU NG (2019);
- Dedicated drones for amphibious ships.

## Interoperability

- Proved for most surface connectors;
- Proved for most RW Aircraft (NATO STANAG).



# Israel Defense Force

*Ki b'Tahbulot, Ta'ase-l'kha milhama*



## Force Structure

- 2 Brigades
- 1 Extra Optional Brigade
- Seals
- Shore to Shore, STOM, Ship to Shore M.
- Deferent Requirements.

## Modernization

- New Platforms

## Recent Operations

- Only small scale raids. Intel or specific targets (routine and during war time)
- Brake the Ianiary Maneuver – large scale.

# Spanish Marine Corps

*Valientes por tierra y por mar*



## Force Structure

- SMC ~5.5K Active
- SMCHQ (MG)
  - Amphib. Brigade “Tercio de Armada” (BG)
  - Protection Force (BG)
  - Naval Special Warfare Force (COL)
- FLEET (ADM)
  - GROUP-2 (RA)
    - 1 LHD + 2 LPD.
    - 12 LCM-1E
  - FLOAN (CAP)
    - AV-8B / helo squadrons
    - UAS SCAN EAGLE
  - MCM (CAP)
    - 6 Minehunters

## Recent SMC Operations

- EUTM Mali
- Iraq (training & assistance)
- Maritime Security Operations (Sophia, Atalanta,...).

## Modernization

- URO VAMTAC
- AAV & Tanks
- Intelligence, Surveillance, Reconnaissance
- Helos NH-90



# UK Amphibious Task Force



## Force Structure

- UK LF = 3 Cdo Bde RM
- Lead Commando Gp circa 1800
- UK ATF = Jt Force Composition
- 2 x LPD Albion Class
- 3 x LSD(A) Bay Class
- 4 x Strat RoRo
- Queen Elizabeth Class operating in LPH role
- Rotary Wing upgrades
  - Merlin Mk 4
  - Wildcat
  - CH 47
  - AH-64

## Modernization

- Littoral Strike TGs
- Future Commando Force
- Communications
- Littoral Strike Support ship
- Operationalizing Norway Deployments
- ALES – NATO MARCOM Amphibious Steering Group

## Recent Operations

- ATG annual deployment – NAG & Med
- Freedom of Navigation – China Sea
- Disaster Relief – Caribbean 2017



# STARS AND STRIPES®



**Oct 18**

## **New Japanese Marines train with US, Filipino troops in Philippine Sea**



Japanese troops in amphibious-assault vehicles prepare to embark aboard the USS Ashland in assault amphibious vehicles during Kamandag drills in Subic Bay, Philippines, Oct. 3, 2018.





# Questions

