

Countering Violent Extremist Organizations CHOD Conference Read Out

Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Gen. Joseph F. Dunford hosted 43 international chiefs of defense or their representatives at Joint Base Andrews, Md., to discuss countering violent extremist organizations today.

This was the first meeting of its kind hosted by Gen. Dunford who pointed to the Coalition's continuing military success against ISIL as an example of the advantages to working together against a shared threat in violent extremism, and the need to approach transregional threats as a collective to bring a strategic coherence to the fight.

The senior military leaders discussed current threats generated by violent extremist organizations and the development of transregional solutions to those threats.

The Chairman was joined by the seven U.S. combatant commanders: Gen. Thomas Waldhauser, U.S. Africa Command; Gen. Curtis Scaparrotti, U.S. European Command; Gen. Joseph Votel, U.S. Central Command; Gen. Lori Robinson, U.S. Northern Command; Adm. Harry Harris, U.S. Pacific Command, Gen. Raymond Thomas, U.S. Special Operations Command; and Adm. Kurt Tidd, U.S. Southern Command.

Attending nations:

Australia	Malaysia
Bahrain	Mali
Belgium	Mauritania
Canada	Morocco
Croatia	Netherlands
Czech Republic	New Zealand
Denmark	Nigeria
Egypt	Norway
Estonia	Philippines
Finland	Poland
France	Portugal
Germany	Qatar
Greece	Romania
Hungary	Saudi Arabia
Indonesia	Singapore
Italy	Slovenia
Jordan	Spain
Kuwait	Sweden
Latvia	Turkey
Lebanon	UAE
Lithuania	United Kingdom

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