Situation Report for Media: Multinational Interim Force

MIAMI – Following are significant events and activities of the Multinational Interim Force (MIF) and Combined Joint Task Force (CJTF) – Haiti and associated agencies supporting Operation Secure Tomorrow during the last 24 hours (new or updated information is in bold characters:)

- **Stability & Humanitarian Operations:** MIF/CJTF-H officials and representatives of other U.S. Government agencies continue to coordinate with Haitian authorities to restore stability and the rule of law.
  - The UN’s World Food Program has completed another shipment to Cap Haitien, delivering 1,550 Metric Tons of food aid.
  - The Netherlands Red Cross has donated a significant amount of Medical supplies to Hospitals/Clinics in Gonaives.

- **Presence Patrols, Security and Disarmament Operations:**
  - MIF/CJTF-H forces and contractors have accomplished significant improvements to physical security, capability, and quality of life facilities at their HQ’s and PaP port locations.
  - MIF/CJTF-H troops and HNP are clearing and securing key transportation routes to permit the safe and secure movement of security forces, humanitarian assistance, emergency services and commercial traffic. PaP port facilities routes are now 100% cleared. To date, “Operation Street-sweep” has removed more than 100 dump truck loads of garbage and debris and 33 vehicle shells, from the streets of PaP
  - HNP and MIF/CJTF-H officials continue to urge Haitians to disarm and emphasize that threats to MIF/CJTF-H forces or the HNP will not be tolerated. **MIF/CJTF-H officials continue addressing Haitian listeners through local media to emphasize these points and the importance of cooperation with HNP and MIF/CJTF-H representatives to individual safety and national stability.**
  - The MIF/CJTF-H conducted more than 50 presence patrols in PaP, Cap Haitien and Gonaives yesterday to help stabilize the security situation, support disarmament and protect Haitians from acts of violence. The patrols have repeatedly demonstrated disciplined and effective responses to threats and are promoting increasing confidence, cooperation and support from the majority of the Haitian people.

- **Force Statistics:**
  - MIF/CTJF-H currently consists of nearly 3,500 troops, which includes more than 1,900 U.S., about 790 French (including French Naval personnel in Caribbean waters), about 450 Canadians and nearly 330 Chileans.
  - MIF/CTJF-H forces on the ground have a robust quick reaction and mobility capability, including numerous vehicles and more nearly 15 aircraft. Additionally, about nine ships in Haitian and nearby international waters provide for migrant interdiction, rescue and repatriation; maritime safety, aids to navigation and support of MIF/CTJF forces ashore.
  - **MIF/CJTF-H has more than 50 aircraft available for support of** personnel and cargo movement, reconnaissance and maritime surveillance.

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