ARCTIC REGIONAL SECURITY ORIENTATION COURSE (ARSOC)

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.

Our world has been altered not only by a pandemic and the dramatic impacts of a changing operational environment, but also dynamic changes to the fundamental principle of rulesbased order. The Russian Federation's invasion of Ukraine has not only devastated the citizens of a sovereign nation, but also jeopardized the security environment of Europe, and the pan-Arctic region. This security confluence dictates the United States, ally and partner military organizations continue preparations to protect and defend our respective national and shared multinational interests. This new security paradigm requires an examination and determination to consider what new approaches are needed to deter, dissuade, and deny our strategic competitors and adversaries from taking actions contrary to our shared interests.

This interactive, multidisciplinary course is intended to provide like-minded Arctic security practitioners a common baseline exposure to the many facets of the Arctic, from the geo-physical to geo-strategic.

COURSE OBJECTIVES

PREPARE
Department of War personnel for assignments in the Arctic region

Promote
a collaborative network of Arctic security practitioners

Propose
cooperative, practical solutions to security challenges in the Arctic Region

This 30-hour course is taught virtually and consists of five days of instruction, panel presentations, and a capstone exercise. Proposed readings will be distributed prior to the course.

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