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NON-COMBATANT EVACUATION OPERATION EXERCISE

MARINE CORPS AIR GROUND COMBAT CENTER TWENTYNINE PALMS, Calif. - Marine Aviation Weapons and Tactics Squadron 1 will conduct a Non-Combatant Evacuation Operation exercise aboard the Combat Center, October 13, 2017.

Marines will simulate the evacuation of non-combatants from a potentially hostile environment. Helicopter and tilt-rotor operations will be conducted over the Combat Center, making multiple landings onto Lance Corporal Torrey L. Gray Field, Del Valle Track and Field and Range 220 between the hours of 3:30 and 10 p.m. In addition, a show of force by an AV-8B Harrier may occur over the main side of base at 500 feet above ground level.

NEO exercises simulate real-life scenarios where non-combatants need to be evacuated from a potentially hostile area.

Depending on atmospheric conditions, the sound of the aircraft may be amplified throughout the local area. To provide feedback and sound reporting:

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