



DCoC (JA) Steering Committee Meeting

Virtual via Teams

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Meeting Notes by Col. Wais O. Bogoreh (Djibouti)

Distinguished Delegates, Dear Colleagues,

It is with profound honor and sincere gratitude that we acknowledge the trust of the Member States in electing us as Vice-Chair of Working Group 3. This responsibility fully commits us to work with determination, transparency, and a spirit of cooperation to achieve our shared objectives.

WG3 occupies a strategic role in regional and international cooperation on maritime security and safety. Our region, a key hub for global trade, continues to face persistent threats such as piracy, illicit trafficking, and maritime incidents. These challenges require coordinated and effective action to ensure that our water remains safe and secure.

Today, our priority is clear: to share experiences, harmonize practices, and mobilize the support of regional and international navies. This collective effort is crucial to strengthen the effectiveness of the Djibouti Code of Conduct (DCoC) and safeguard maritime stability in the region.

We will also review and adopt the Terms of Reference (TORs), the Concept of Operations (CONOPS), and the Roadmap, which are essential instruments to guide our work in a pragmatic, coherent, and coordinated manner.

I urge each and every one of you to engage fully, with energy, boldness, and a spirit of collaboration. By combining our efforts and expertise, we can take a decisive step forward in strengthening maritime security and safety, for the benefit of our nations, our people, and the stability of our region.
