Dear Sir,

My name is Tal and I serve as an advisor to the Israel Defense Forces – Operations Directorate. We have met a few months at Synergy. Unfortunately, I was not aware then to the roles you filled in the past.

On November 12th - 14th 2019, the **1st International Military Operations Simulation Summit** will take place in Tel Aviv, Israel, headed by the Head of the Operations Directorate, Major General Aharon Haliva. The Conference is led by IDF’s J-3 in partnership with the Concepts Laboratory. We are in the process of building the detailed agenda for the summit that will include officials overviews’ as well as speaking opportunities for the different guests from institutes and parallel Laboratories from around the world. I'm responsible for organizing the summit.

 Please advise whether you can contribute in the relevant topics. I would be very grateful if you could send me details regarding PEO STRI / ONESUF, which we believe will be interested in participating in that Summit. With the help of CPT Zimmerman we are working with the US military attaché in Israel (and other countries) in order to contact the relevant people.

For the moment, regarding US, we know that Mr. McCarty (SES), Chief, Plans and Operations, Network Cross-Functional Team will participate and tentatively his commander (a MG), relevant functionaries from US EUCOM HQ and probably other senior officials from the US who still need to confirm their arrival.

Attached you will find a save-the-date document for the event, SAG, just as an example to a simulation type we are dealing with and the first agenda of the conference.

**Background:**

**Purpose of the IDF Concepts Laboratory – Development & Experimentation:**

To operate as the Professional Authority in the IDF for Concept Development, Script and Initiatives in order to help direct Force buildup and best prepare the IDF for future challenges.

**Main roles of the Concepts Laboratory:**

         Initiate, Formulate and Script IDF Concepts (Multi-Force)

         Identify Operational Gaps, Initiate Operational requirements & recommend COA’s in force build-up.

         Constitute the Analytical – Operational authority of J-3, to assess and validate IDF Concepts and plans, through simulation.

**Operational Simulation:**

In order for the concepts laboratory to fulfill its purpose and perform its functions, different tools are utilized, the main tool is an operational simulation system/software.

         Allows the run-up of different operations scenarios

          Assists decision-making

          Analysis of OPLANs

**International Military Operation Simulation Summit – Objectives:**

         Mutual learning and knowledge sharing between the different institutes and offices.

         Creation of an International Community for ongoing information Exchange and mutual learning.

         Creation of an infrastructure for further cooperation with relevant partners.

**Target Audiences:**

         Institutes and relevant positions holders in the field of force buildup and force deployment that make use of similar tools to the concept laboratory.

         Academic Professionals in the field of M&S force build-up and Force Deployment.

         Industrial Professionals in the field of M&S force build-up and Force Deployment.

Best regards,

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