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ADVISORY: From **Jan. 29 to Feb. 9**, Naval Support Activity Bethesda (NSAB) will participate in the annual **Citadel Shield – Solid Curtain** exercises. A possibility exists that **traffic may briefly be impacted in and around the installation** during training drills tied to the exercise. **Exercise information will be posted in real time on Facebook** as the drills take place.

WHO: Commander, Navy Installations Command (CNIC), Commander, U.S. Fleet

Forces Command (USFFC) and NSA Bethesda.

WHAT: NSA Bethesda, under USFFC and CNIC, will conduct annual training exercises

to practice and reinforce skills and measures to take when an active shooter, terror

or other security-related incident occurs.

The training is not in response to any specific threat, and allows participating

personnel to "train like we fight" to protect the installation.

Local authorities will be aware of the exercises and will only respond should a

real world event occur outside of the training.

WHEN: The exercises begin Jan. 29 and conclude Feb. 9, excluding Feb. 3-4. During

this time, as part of the training, real world responses including the placement of

barriers and heightened security measures may occur (e.g. 100% ID checks).

Visitors, patients, and employees who work at NSAB should be prepared for

possible delays in accessing the base, and/or plan for using alternate access

points if necessary.

WHERE: Drills may take place anywhere, but efforts will be made to keep delays and/or

closures (if necessary) to a minimum.

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