

## Benefits of Tradewinds

As the theme for Phase 2 of the 2019 Tradewinds Exercises rightly suggests, the Exercises are geared towards effectively improving and safeguarding regional security, through comradery, service and diversified training.

However, other benefits include:

- ◆ Fostering stronger partnerships between militaries and civilian organizations.
- ◆ Improving humanitarian assistance and disaster relief across the region.
- ◆ Addressing and implementing strategies to combat security threats and organized crime which adversely affects people across borders.

## Significance of TW19

TW19 will undoubtedly be a massive undertaking by the Government and people of SVG, having first hosted the Exercise in the year 2004.

It is also indeed a tremendous opportunity for the citizens of SVG to showcase the best of our beautiful country; including but not limited to:

- ◆ Our hospitality
- ◆ Incident Command Systems
- ◆ Emergency response management
- ◆ Readiness of local response mechanisms
- ◆ Our culture, arts and cuisine.

*With your support and co-operation,  
we look forward to making Tradewinds 2019 a  
memorable experience  
and an overwhelming success!!!*



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Phase 2

St. Vincent and the Grenadines

June 14 - 21, 2019



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Safeguarding Regional Security,  
Through Comradery, Service and  
Diversified Training”*

## Exercise Tradewinds

Tradewinds is an annual military exercise sponsored by the United States Southern Command, in collaboration with Governments of the region, Regional Security System (RSS), Law Enforcement Agencies, the Military, CEDEMA and other partner nations from North America, Europe, South and Central America.



Tradewinds 2019 will be in three (3) phases: Phase One (1) will be in The Dominican Republic from June 1-7, 2019; the Second Phase (2<sup>nd</sup>) will be conducted in St. Vincent and the Grenadines from June 14-21, 2019, and the Third Phase (3<sup>rd</sup>) will be in Miami in July 2019.

## Participating Countries

It is anticipated that approximately 400 military, police and civilian personnel from Antigua and Barbuda, the Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Bermuda, Colombia, Dominica, Dominican Republic, Grenada, Guyana, Haiti, Jamaica, St. Kitts and Nevis, Suriname, St. Vincent and the Grenadines, Trinidad and Tobago as well as military personnel from the United States, Canada, France, Mexico, Netherlands, the United Kingdom will participate this second phase along with regional organizations including; the Regional Security System (RSS), Caribbean Disaster Emergency Management Agency (CDEMA), and CARICOM.



## Training Objectives of TW19

The main objective of these training exercises are as follows:

- ◆ To test, improve and enhance the region's readiness and response mechanisms to natural disasters such as hurricanes and earthquakes.
- ◆ Combat contemporary security issues such as terrorism and transnational organized crime (TOC) including; drug trafficking, human trafficking and trafficking in small arms and ammunition.
- ◆ Improve the Host Nation (SVG) and Partner Nations (PN) interoperability between land forces and maritime forces.
- ◆ Enhance and expand capability in maritime and disaster mitigation response.
- ◆ Exercise and assess the Host Nation and Partner Nations capacity to conduct operational support task such as logistical support, personnel administration, etc
- ◆ Provide means for emergency management personnel to practice and improve their skills, while increasing their knowledge base with respect to the vulnerability of SVG and the region to sudden disasters.
- ◆ Improve the strategic and contingency planning capability of the local security force and provide a vehicle for the establishment of local inter-agency standard operating procedures.
- ◆ Enhance local inter-agency coordination (Incident Command Systems) between emergency management and search and rescue.