

Future of EU Battle Groups



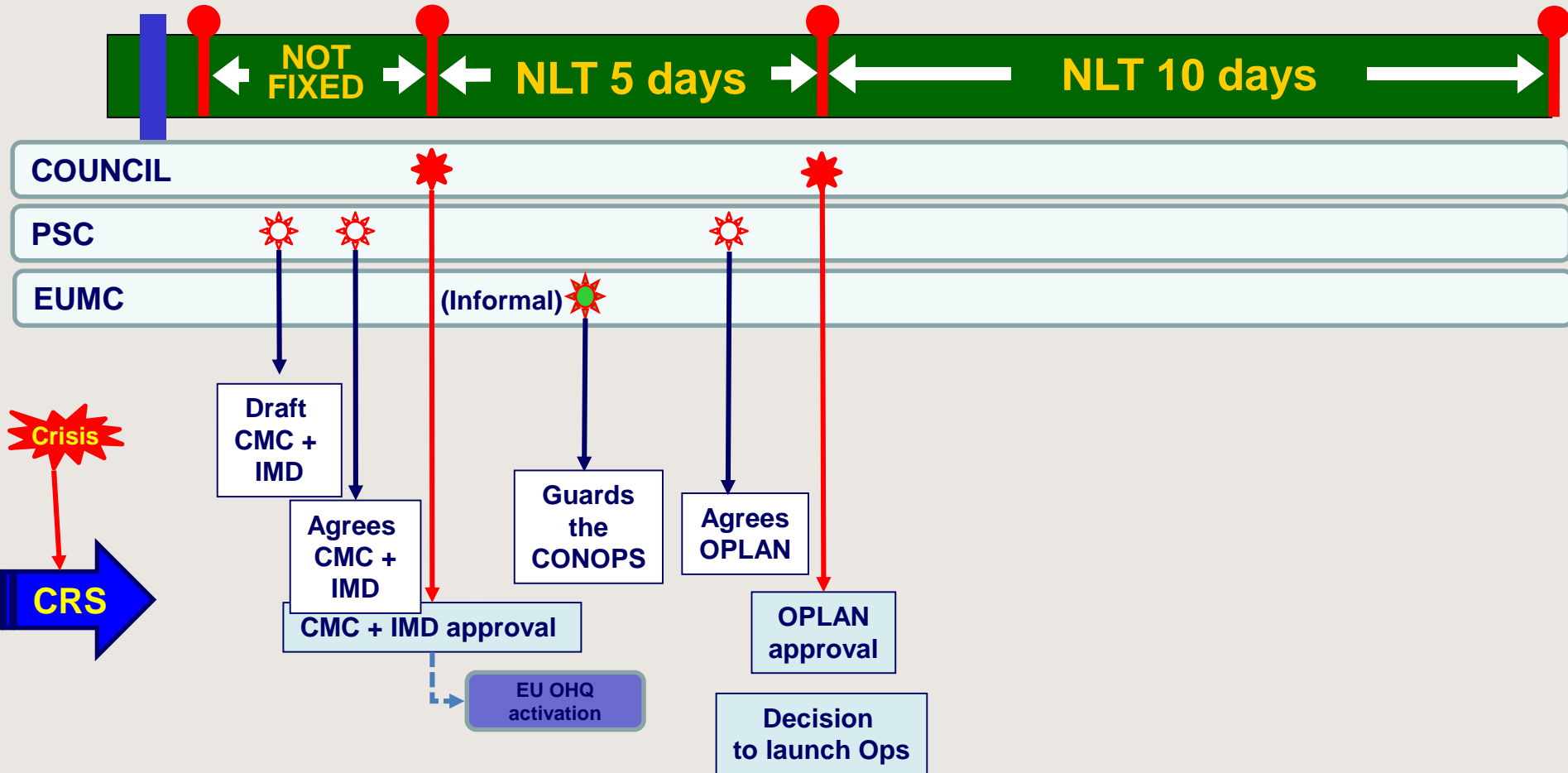
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- **EU Battlegroup Capabilities**

- + Fully trained and certified
- + 5 NTM
- + Organically holding a range of capacities
- +/- Capacity voids can be mitigated with Land-, Mar- and Air-RRDB
- It will take time to deploy the whole Battlegroup (land-locked vs not)
- Limited time frame for deployment



Special case: EU BG Concept



Parent HQ of an EU OHQ

EU OHQ

(FN + (F)HQ)

(F)HQ

Implementation Plan Security and Defence (art 10)

- ***"EEAS to present how to enhance relevance, usability, and deployability of the EU's rapid response tool box, including the EUBG and their modularity."***

Standardisation/certification VS flexibility

- **Extend duration of operation**
- **Increase number of Ex in preparation phase**
- **Extend standby period**
- **Encourage closer cooperation between BGs**
- **Use Athena Council declaration to achieve more effective financing**

Rapid Response

- European Council 19-20 December 2013 Conclusions
- Revised Concept agreed in December 2014

**EU Military Rapid
Response Concept**

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**EU Battlegroup
Concept
(no changes)**

**Land RR
Concept
(new)**

**Maritime RR
Concept
(revised)**

**Air RR
Concept
(revised)**

Military Rapid Response - Modularity

