

From: United States Northern Command

To: United States Amateur Radio Operators, Simulated Emergency Test (SET)

SUBJECT: USNORTHCOM Message Supporting the SET

1. As the combatant command responsible for the Homeland Defense (HD) and Defense Support of Civil Authorities (DSCA), USNORTHCOM appreciates the efforts of the amateur radio community in conducting regular training events throughout the year to hone your operating and communication skills.
2. In support of USNORTHCOM's DSCA and HD missions, MARS is the Department of Defense's conduit to the amateur radio community who serve as a source for information on current events and situational awareness in your local areas. USNORTHCOM uses this information to better understand an event while providing unique military capabilities to support a Lead Federal Agency.
3. Request SET participants acknowledge receipt of this message via only one of the below options:
 - a. an ICS 213 message through any MARS station to *****
 - b. a Radiogram through the National Traffic System to *****
 - c. an RRI ICS 213 radiogram message through Radio Relay International to *****
 - d. a general message (ICS 213) via amateur radio Winlink to *****

In your responses, please include: your organization, callsign, number of participating amateur stations, city-state and entity you're supporting.

4. Chief Army MARS will provide USNORTHCOM a summary of amateur radio responses to this message.

5. Thank you for your support.

Signed
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