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7 March 2012: Polish Armed Forces Logistics Day at the JFTC

The Joint Force Training Centre Support Unit (JFTC SU), the unit providing the Host Nation Support for the JFTC, used a short pause between the Centre's training events and invited the whole Bydgoszcz NATO family for the Polish Armed Forces Logistics Day. On 7 March 2012 soldiers from many different countries who currently serve in Bydgoszcz had an unusual opportunity to learn more about Polish logistic equipment and facilities which were presented at the JFTC compound. To make the day even more attractive for the audience, the JFTC SU Commander organized a shooting competition for the soldiers.

The JFTC SU Commander's Cup Shooting Competition opened the day. In the early morning 14 soldiers met at the Bydgoszcz garrison shooting range and picked up the fight. They competed in two different contests – AK-47 rifle and WIST-94 pistol. After a matched rivalry Lieutenant Colonel Daniel Pawlak, US Air Force, proved to be the best in both competitions but he had to share the first prize in the AK-47 rifle contest with Commander Jarosław Kutka, Polish Navy.

The second part of the day was opened by the JFTC Deputy Commander, Brigadier General Grzegorz Buszka. After welcoming distinguished guests of the event, including Major General Marek Tomaszycki, the Chief of Training in the Polish Land Forces Command, he encouraged everybody to participate in the Polish Armed Forces Logistics Day actively and to learn more about the equipment shown at the JFTC. All participants of the event could see a Command Post's Mobile Module with live presentationof JASMINE management system, showing cooperation between Headquarters Management System with Battlefield Management System and Dismounted Soldier System. Also an Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) Unit, a Field Hospital Module and a Field Bakery were shown to the visitors. As temperatures in March in Poland are rather low, the organizers presented everybody with a bowl of warm Polish traditional military pea soup as well as a loaf of fresh bread baked in the Field Bakery.





