



Wednesday 12 and Thursday 13
February 2020
Meetings of NATO Defence
Ministers #DefMin
NATO HQ - BRUSSELS
MEDIA PROGRAMME



***** 11 February 2020 (pre-ministerial day) *****

- 08:30 – 13:00** – NATO Site entrance. **Accreditation** / Delivery of media passes needed for access on 11, 12 and 13 February 2020.
- 09:00 – 18:00** – Media Centre opening hours – NATO HQ
- 11:00** – NATO Secretary General pre-ministerial press conference – NATO HQ Main Press Theatre.
➤ Available live in multiple languages on the NATO Website, on CCTV, on satellite, to TV/Radio editing space and afterwards on www.natomultimedia.tv
- 12:00 – 13:00** – Information desk. **Distribution of pool cards for videographers and photographers.**

***** 12 February 2020 *****

- 09:00 – 18:30** – NATO Site entrance. **Accreditation** / Delivery of media passes.
- 09:00 – End of operations** – Media Centre opening hours – NATO HQ
- 10:00- 10:45** – **Background briefing on NATO's Nuclear Deterrence** with NATO Officials from the NATO International Staff – Washington Treaty Room. Open to all accredited journalists. No photos or video recordings.
- 11:00- 11:45** – **Background briefing on NATO's relations with Russia and Ukraine** with NATO Officials from the NATO International Staff – Washington Treaty Room. Open to all accredited journalists. No photos or video recordings.
- 11:30 – 12:30** – Information desk. **Distribution of pool cards for videographers and photographers**

NATO SECRETARY GENERAL'S DOORSTEP AND ARRIVALS

- 12:00** – **Secretary General's doorstep – NATO Official Entrance**
First come first served access to accredited media.
Access to the location will be open as of 11:00.
➤ No sound system on site – own microphones only

- Available live in multiple languages on the NATO Website, on CCTV, on satellite, to TV/radio editing space and afterwards on www.natomultimedia.tv

Ministers' arrivals/doorsteps available live from NATO on CCTV and to editing space (original language)

14:00 – 15:00 Information desk. **Distribution of pool cards for videographers and photographers**

15:00-15:45 **Background Briefing on NATO's role in the Western Balkans** by NATO Officials from the NATO International Staff – Washington Treaty Room. Open to all accredited Journalists. No photos or video recordings.

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15:20 Handshake between the NATO Secretary General and the US Secretary of Defence **with short remarks**

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MEETING OF THE NORTH ATLANTIC COUNCIL (NAC) IN DEFENCE MINISTERS' SESSION
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15:30 Pool meeting point in front of the Press shop – ground floor Public Square. Pools 1 & 2 of visual media only depart to cover the meeting of the NAC in Defence Ministers' Session in Room 1.

16:00 **Meeting of the North Atlantic Council (NAC) in Defence Ministers' session**
At location coverage of the beginning of the meeting by the pools 1 and 2
Public opening remarks by the Secretary General

- Available live in multiple languages on the NATO Website, on CCTV, on satellite, to TV/Radio editing space and afterwards on www.natomultimedia.tv

18:00 End of meeting of NAC in Defence Ministers' Session.

OFFICIAL PORTRAIT

17:35 Pool meeting point in front of the Press shop. Pool 3 of visual media only departs to cover the Official Portrait of the NATO Defence Ministers.

18:05 **Official Portrait**

- Available live on the NATO Website, on CCTV, on satellite, to TV/Radio editing space and afterwards on www.natomultimedia.tv

SIGNATURE CEREMONY: MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING ON LAND BATTLE DECISIVE MUNITIONS
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18:00 Pool meeting point in front of the Press shop. Pool 4 of Photographers only departs to cover the signing ceremony in Room 5.

- 18:15** The NATO Deputy Secretary General speaks to an event registering the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding on Land Battle Decisive Munitions/Precision Guided Munitions by the Defence Ministers of Sweden and the Czech Republic.
- Available afterwards to the Radio & TV editing booths, and on www.natomultimedia.tv in original sound.

SIGNATURE CEREMONY: MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING FOR CRITICAL SATELLITE COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES

- 18:30** The NATO Assistant Secretary General for Defence Investment speaks to an event registering the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding between four Nations – France, Italy, the United Kingdom and the United States – for the provision of critical satellite communications services to NATO.
- No pool coverage.
 - Available afterwards to the Radio & TV editing booths, and on www.natomultimedia.tv in original sound.

NATO SECRETARY GENERAL'S PRESS CONFERENCE
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- 18:30** Main Press Theatre. **Press Conference by the NATO Secretary General**
Open to all accredited media representatives
- Available live in multiple languages on the NATO Website, on CCTV, on satellite, to TV/Radio editing space and afterwards on www.natomultimedia.tv

WORKING DINNER OF NATO MINISTERS OF DEFENCE WITH EU PARTNERS¹

- 19:00** **Working Dinner (NATO Restaurant)**
No media pool, no public opening remarks – arrivals available from NATO on CCTV and to editing space after the event.

***** 13 February 2020 *****

07:00 Media Centre opens – NATO HQ

07:00 – NATO Site entrance. **Accreditation** / Delivery of media passes.
13:00

Ministers' arrivals/doorsteps available live from NATO on CCTV and to editing space (original language)

09:00 – Information desk. **Distribution of pool cards for videographers and**
09:45 **photographers**

¹ The Minister of Defence of the Republic of Finland, The Minister of Defence of the Kingdom of Sweden and the High Representative of the European Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy / Vice-President of the European Commission are invited to attend.

**MEETING OF THE NORTH ATLANTIC COUNCIL (NAC)
IN DEFENCE MINISTERS' SESSION**

- 10:00** Pool meeting point in front of the Press shop. Pools A & B of visual media only depart to cover the meeting of the NAC in Defence Ministers' Session in Room 1.
- 10:30** **Meeting of the North Atlantic Council (NAC) in Defence Ministers' session**
At location coverage of the beginning of the meeting by the pools A and B
Public opening remarks by the Secretary General
- Available live in multiple languages on the NATO Website, on CCTV, on satellite, to TV/Radio editing space and afterwards on www.natomultimedia.tv
- 12:30** End of meeting of NAC in Defence Ministers' Session.

NATO SECRETARY GENERAL'S PRESS CONFERENCE

- 12:45** Main Press Theatre. **Press Conference by the NATO Secretary General.**
Open to all accredited media representatives
- Available live in multiple languages on the NATO Website, on CCTV, on satellite, to TV/Radio editing space and afterwards on www.natomultimedia.tv

Note: Some national delegations may choose to brief the media after the NATO Secretary General. Time and location to be announced on the CCTV; for further information, please contact the Delegations directly (Contact listings available at the information desk)

**MEETING OF THE NORTH ATLANTIC COUNCIL (NAC)
with RESOLUTE SUPPORT Operational Partner Nations and
Potential Operational Partner Nations**

- 13:00** Pool meeting point in front of the Press shop. Pool C & D of visual media only depart to cover the meeting of the NAC in Defence Ministers' Session in Room 3.
- 13:30** **Meeting of the North Atlantic Council (NAC) with RESOLUTE SUPPORT Operational Partner Nations and Potential Operational Partner Nations at the level of Defence Ministers**
At location coverage of the beginning of the meeting by the pools C and D.
Public opening remarks by the Secretary General
- Available live in multiple languages on the NATO Website, on CCTV, on satellite, to TV/Radio editing space and afterwards on www.natomultimedia.tv
- 15:00** End of meeting of NAC with Resolute Support Operational Partner Nations and Potential Operational Partner Nations at the level of Defence Ministers.