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MNB(E) detains 18 in anti-EAE operation

CAMP BONDSTEEL – KFOR Multi-National Brigade (East) detained 13 suspected members of ethnic armed extremist groups and five others today under provisions of United Nations Security Council Resolution 1244.

The detentions were part of an operation intended to disrupt extremist activities along Kosovo's border with the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia. All of the detained individuals posed an immediate threat to a safe and secure environment. None have been connected with the explosions in Klokot on July 31.

Soldiers of five battalion task forces, supported by military police and the KFOR Multinational Specialized Unit, conducted coordinated operations in 12 communities that resulted in the detentions.

In addition to the EAE-related detentions, two people were detained near Camp Magrath for suspicious activity, two were detained in Gnjilane for obstructing the KFOR mission, and one was detained in Balance for possession of illegal materials.

All individuals detained by KFOR were to be taken to the Bondsteel Detention Facility.

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