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U.S. troops train Egyptian and Pakistani soldiers on MOUT training

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MUBARAK MILITARY CITY, Egypt -- American, Egyptian, and Pakistani troops trained side-by-side on Military Operations in Urban Terrain in one of many training exercises conducted at Operation Bright Star 2009.

“The mission today is mainly to observe (the Egyptian and Pakistani) culture and for them to observe our culture. (We are) sharing our training experiences so that in the future, if we have to work together, it’s a little easier because we already know how each other works, so it’s easier to accomplish the mission,” said Sgt. 1st Class Gerald Rouse, platoon sergeant, 2nd Platoon, 1st Battalion, 325th Airborne Infantry Regiment.

In 1981, Bright Star started with two nations, Egypt and the United States. Now, 28 years later, service members from France, Germany, Greece, Italy, Jordan, Kuwait, Pakistan, Turkey and the United Kingdom train with Americans and Egyptians to build relationships and develop, refine and improve interoperability in this region. U.S. Central Command and Third Army spearheaded this year’s operation.



For a 72 second broadcast story on this event, visit the Digital Video and Imagery Distribution System Web site at:

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