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# ECW-24

## Exercise Chile Wave 2024

### General Instruction

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# EXERCISE Chile Wave 2024 - Summary

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- ❑ **Use and interpret PTWC products**
- ❑ **Apply a tsunami warning scenario to participant developed SOPs**
- ❑ **Describe actions taken by stakeholder agencies to tsunami warning**
- ❑ **Demonstrate knowledge through the 'Press Conference'**
- ❑ **Receive comment from trainers and other participants**

# EXERCISE ECW-24 - Activities

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## ECW-24 to simulate decision-making on

- ❑ Issuance of Warning, or not, and where
- ❑ Upgrade of Warning, or not
- ❑ Coastal evacuation of threatened communities
- ❑ Continuing, Canceling, and Downgrading Warnings
- ❑ Criteria for Search and Rescue, Public All-Clear

## INJECTS AND ACTIONS:

- ❑ 0-60 min: EQ Monitoring and Early Source Characterization, TSP Forecasts, Threat decision-making, DMO/TER risk decision-making, alerting and evacuation
- ❑ Min - hrs: Wave arrivals through Warning cancellation
- ❑ Hrs - days: TER Search-and-Rescue, Safe-to-Return

# EXERCISE ECW-24 - Scope and Format

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- ❑ **Conducted on Thursday, 29 August**  
**Modified Functional (role play of separate NTWC / TER)**
- ❑ **Real time, but Controllers will advance / slow clock**
- ❑ **6 sets of Country Groups with NTWC and TER taking actions based on their SOPs**
  1. Tonga
  2. Cook Islands
  3. French Polynesia
  4. Nicaragua
  5. Peru
  6. Chile
- ❑ **NTWC and DMO (TER) physically separate**

# ECW-24 - Conduct

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- ❑ **Exercise Begins 1400 local (0600 UTC)**  
**Ends 1600 local (0800 UTC)**
- ❑ **PTWC injects** will be their tsunami bulletins
- ❑ **Situation injects** will be issued
- ❑ **Each Group evaluates** injects, take actions, and simulate interactions between stakeholders, and/or through Controllers
- ❑ **Each Group documents** its actions and responses, reviews its performance for report-back to Plenary through next-day Press Conference
- ❑ **Each Group will need to assign a person to record its decisions and actions, and a person to report out the following day**

# EXERCISE CONTROL

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- ❑ **Exercise Controllers will control the pace and will suspend or advance the exercise Clock.**
- ❑ **Controllers and Simulators may act as any outside agencies and individuals (i.e. media, prime minister, etc.) not physically present in order to interact with TWC & DMO groups.**
- ❑ **Observers will observe and note the good, the bad, and the ugly**

# GUIDANCE

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- **Each NTWC and TER is responsible for:**
  - COMMUNICATION WITH OTHER ORGANIZATIONS (WHO, WHAT, AND WHEN)
  - MESSAGES THEY ISSUE (TO WHOM, CONTENT AND WHEN)
  - OTHER ACTIONS THEY TAKE (WHAT, WHEN)
- **Within each country, NTWC and TER communicate with each other / to their country**
- **National Agencies can contact other countries if they would like, especially if there are already pre-arranged information sharing agreements**

**=> USE TEMPLATES AND CHECKLISTS YOU DEVELOPED**

# GROUND RULES

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- ❑ **All communications are Messages that are delivered by**
  1. PHONE (but actually by voice) to another place or agency
  2. EMAIL (in standard format) through Controller
  
- ❑ **PTWC Text Products issued to everyone.**  
**PTWC Enhanced Products issued to NTWC only. It is up to the NTWC to decide which, if any, of products to issue to the TER or to the public**
  
- ❑ **Message standard format (electronic, ECW-24\_Actions\_Template\_**
  - Includes: To, From, Time, Method, content
  - Method of communication could be: Fax, telephone, radio, SMS, e-mail, satellite phones, WhatsApp, Twitter (X), other
  
- ❑ **Log Messages (electronic, ECW-24\_ExerciseLog\_Template)**



# EXERCISE MESSAGES

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## EXERCISE CHILE WAVE 2024 THIS IS AN EXERCISE

**TO:**

**FROM:**

**TIME:** UTC

**METHOD:**

**MESSAGE:**

# CONSIDERATIONS

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- ❑ **What is the Message and what does that mean?**
- ❑ **What is the Hazard?**
- ❑ **What is the Risk from this Hazard?**
- ❑ **Is there an immediate action the Group needs to take right now?**
- ❑ **Consider contingencies or back up plans in the event of system failures**
- ❑ **Who must the Group notify in the DMO, Government, public, and the media?**
- ❑ **Who will take the action?**



# EVALUATION - Press Conference

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- ❑ **29 August, 0900-1000, Rm 1377**
- ❑ **Preparation for Press Conference – today, after exercise to 1645 and tonight**
- ❑ **Press Conference – (60 min)**
  - Group statements for each Country (NTWC and TER) – 5 min each
  - Media Question and Answer – 30 min
- ❑ **Group Statements should focus on**
  - What was supposed to happen
  - What went well – Sustainable
  - What needs work – Improvement
  - Did we accomplish our Goals?
  - What are your recommendations

# ECW-24 Preparation – 1045 – 12 noon (and lunch)

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## □ Meet in your Group (country)

- Review ‘*Tsunami Exercise Preparation Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) Checklists, Messages, and Communications*’
- Discuss and decide on SOPs (both by TWC/DMO and together as a ‘Country’)
- Decide focal points, how decisions will be made  
Communications, Inject Analysis, Messages, Action Logs, Media, etc
- Decide who will do Press Conference (NTWC-TER)

## □ Be Ready!

# ECW24 – Exercise Participant Assignments

Exercise Country	Exercise Role	Participant Name	Participant Country	Language
Tonga	NTWC	Mr. Joji Malodali	Fiji	English
		Mr. Darcy Luuga Naivins Chan-Kum Tong	Samoa	
		Ms. Linda Tonowane	Solomon Is.	
	NDMO	Ms. Danielle Jalisa Howell	Barbados	
		Mr. Grenfel Defoe	Dominica	
Ms. Claudia Collao	Chile			
Cook Islands	NTWC	Dr. Muhammed Harvan	Indonesia	English
		Ms. Jasna Haro	Chile	
	NDMO	Mr. Diminski Reweru	Nauru	
		Mr. Mabus Francis	St. Lucia	
		Ms. Leanka RT Henry	St. Vincent	
Fr. Polynesia	NTWC	Ms. Kassia Johnson	Grenada	English
		Mr. Alejandro Maraboli-Quezada	Chile	
		Mr. Igor Olivares	Chile	
	NDMO	Mr. Fabian Hinds	Barbados	
		Ms. Lisi Seumanutafa Uini	Samoa	
Nicaragua	NTWC	Mr. Steven Aguilera	Ecuador	Spanish
		Ms. Dulce Calan	Guatemala	
		Ms. Hita Zabi Ortiz	Mexico	
	NDMO	Mr. David Cruz	Belize	
		Mr. Francisco Uribe	Chile	
Mr. Julio Castro	Chile			
Ecuador	NTWC	Mr. Wilberth Forero	Colombia	Spanish
		Ms. Juritz Perez	Mexico	
		Mr. Jaime Corales	Chile	
	NDMO	Mr. Andres Romero	Chile	
		Ms. Carolina Henriquez	Chile	
Mr. Cesar Nunez	Chile			
Chile	NTWC	Mr. Luis Fernando Alconero	Argentina	Spanish
		Mr. Christian Gomez	Ecuador	
		Ms. Denisse Llacuachaqui	Peru	
	NDMO	Mr. Rodrigo Andres Asenjo Paredes	Chile	
		Ms. Valeria Tapia	Chile	



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# Muchas Gracias

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