



DIILS Mission

The Defense Institute of International Legal Studies (DIILS) serves as the lead U.S. Department of Defense Security Cooperation resource for global legal engagement with partner nation security sector institutions and personnel. We work to advance U.S. national security and foreign policy interests by building the capacity of foreign security forces to respond to shared security challenges in a responsible, accountable, and legally compliant manner. We strive to strengthen partner nation legal capacity through activities that promote the rule of law, enhance compliance with human rights and international humanitarian law standards, and support effective and responsible democratic governance and oversight of security institutions and forces.

Background

- DIILS promotes legal standards and human rights across the globe by serving as the provider of choice for Section 333 and Maritime Security Rule of Law seminars.
- Section 333 of Title 10 of the U.S. Code, Section 1263 of the National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) for FY2016 and a number of other train and equip authorities require Rule of Law training for units receiving U.S. assistance.

The objective of DIILS Rule of Law training is to increase Partner Nation understanding of, and commitment to, the law of armed conflict, human rights, democratic rule of law and civilian control of the military.

Why Choose DIILS Rule of Law Training?

- Ensure compliance.
- DIILS uses Department of Defense (DOD) Office of General Counsel approved materials.
- DIILS tracks and reports completion of the requirement.

DIILS Rule of Law Training Requirements

DIILS determines the appropriate level of training for each 333 or Maritime Security program during program design and in the lead-up to Congressional notification. Level of training is driven by the nature of the assistance package, the mission of the recipient units, and other relevant factors, and is specified in the notification package approved by DoD and submitted to Congress.

- Leahy vetting is required.
- Two levels of training – basic (2-hours) and advanced (16-hours).
- DIILS is responsible for advanced (16-hours) level training. The DoD is responsible for basic level training and reports completion to DIILS.
- Training requirements arise each time a unit receives assistance that is notified to Congress pursuant to Section 333 or 1263. All members of the recipient unit should attend Rule of Law training.
- Training shall be completed concurrent with delivery of assistance.

DIILS Supports all geographic combatant commands

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