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## Fleet Weather Center-Norfolk Hosts Media in Preparation for Hurricane Season 2016

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NORFOLK, Va. — Fleet Weather Center-Norfolk (FWC-N) will host media Friday to showcase Navy preparedness when the East Coast and Gulf of Mexico regions are threatened by a hurricane.

U.S. Fleet Forces Command (USFF), headquartered in Norfolk, Virginia, and Washington D.C.-based Commander, Navy Installations Command (CNIC) are conducting a preparedness exercise, Hurricane Exercise/Citadel Gale 2016 (HURREX/CG 16), May 9-20. HURREX/CG 16 will involve two simulated storm systems developing and intensifying to hurricane strength, threatening the Caribbean Islands, East Coast and Gulf Coast regions.

The exercise prepares the Navy to respond to weather threats to U.S. coastal regions and to maintain the ability to deploy forces even under the most adverse weather conditions. FWC-N has an integral part when a storm is identified as they keep commanders updated on storm progress and potential tracks. The FWC-N also provides timely, comprehensive and tactically relevant meteorological and oceanographic (METOC) products and services in direct support of Fleet training and readiness.

During HURREX/CG 16, media will have the opportunity to visit and observe FWC-N participating in hurricane preparedness and speak to subject matter experts.

**MEDIA ADVISORY: Members of the media interested in covering this event at the Fleet Weather Center – Norfolk should contact LCDR Katie Hodgins, USFF Public Affairs at (757) 836-4430 or (757) 836-3630 by noon Thursday, May 12. Please plan to meet an escort by 10:30 a.m. Friday, May 13 at the Naval Tour and Information Center located at 9079 Hampton Blvd. The event is scheduled from 10:30 a.m. until 11:45 a.m.**

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