

The International University Centre for Peace Missions of Helsinki Spain (CIUMP) :

**H.E.A.T.**

**Hostile Environment Awareness Training\*\***

How to deal effectively with critical or emergency situations while deployed in hostile environments.

*\*\*Modified for personal and educational use*

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## BACKGROUND & LOGISTICS

Southern California desert. CHINA LAKE BASIN. Kern County. Unincorporated Ridgecrest. April 2020. [*Beginning of COVID protection orders.*]

Female resident millsite caretaker. Evacuated by the local sheriff department. Unabated mercury contamination. Accused of trespass. Denied trial and local shelter. Denied emergency aid and assistance.

## TRAINING OBJECTIVES

- Basic life support in the absence of medical personnel (first aid, decontamination, medicine, sustainable **water** supply, storage, and treatment, immediate shelter from exposure to the elements)
- Communication (mobile phone, wifi, access)
- Physical orientation (memory loss, shock, displacement)
- Power source & storage (batteries, lights, charging station)
- Protection from the elements (adequate shelter, heating & cooling source, blankets, fuel)
- Territory & placement security (conflict, boundaries, burden)
- Personal property (theft, damage, destruction of property, loss)
- Economic security (identity theft, destruction of property, loss of personal documents, exploitation, abuse)
- Personal security, (fear of reprisal, mineral/property conflicts, harassment, arrest, rape, kidnapping; human trafficking, prostitution, exposure to sexually transmitted disease)
- Protection of legal rights and freedom of movement
- Mobile security: capacity, terrain, tools, jack, oil, gas can, fuel
- Food safety, cooking and storage
- Sanitation, trash
- Stress management
- Personal health and hygiene
- **Privacy**
- Community trust & access during pandemic

## **TRAINING ANALYSIS & DISCUSSION**

Why is displacement a security issue?

What are barriers of justice for displaced persons?

What are potential solutions to prevent and/or mitigate displacement in the future?

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