

# Supporting Ukrainian National Police EOD



NATEODA Member, John Culp, is sponsoring a project to support the Ukrainian National Police EOD Personnel by providing uniforms for 24 new female bomb technicians.

Background: Since the full-scale war started, more than 60,000 women have joined the Ukrainian Army (ZSU). At first, the ZSU simply handed them male uniforms and boots and they made do with that. Since then, a number of Non-Governmental Organizations and other supply chains have worked to get uniforms for women that fit, as well as other gear (such as sanitary) unique to female needs.

The National Police EOD has expanded its number of female bomb technicians as well. Since they are not part of the ZSU they don't have access to the same resources. They have police uniforms, but as one of Ukraine's premier EOD forces, they are often at or near the front doing EOD work.

The National Police EOD is one of the two primary EOD elements in Ukraine, the other being the State Emergency Services (national fire and rescue). Except for some small special operations units, the Army does not actually have EOD, only sapper capabilities. So, the National Police are literally on the frontline daily, dealing with mines, boobytraps, and ERW.

John has started raising money for a set of summer tactical uniforms for the 24 female bomb techs (He has a by-name list), and once that is done will start on winter gear as winter is certainly coming. Another donor has purchased boots.

A 501(c)3 non-governmental organization, The Moldova World Children's Fund (Moldovawcf.org), has been assisting John in his efforts to support humanitarian EOD work in Ukraine. Donations to this Fund are tax deductible and will be matched up to \$2000. See the instructions below on how to donate to this effort via MWCF:

### To donate for Ukrainian National Police Women's Uniforms:

1. Go to <https://moldovawcf.org/> and select **"Donate"** at the top righthand corner of the page.
2. Select an amount or enter a custom amount in the **"Other"** category.
3. Click the down-arrow next to **"General Fund Doing the Most Good"** and select **"Other"**
4. Select a donation for fees if desired, then click **"Donate with Debit or Credit Card."**
5. Where it says **"Is this gift for a specific cause?"** Click the plus (+) sign.
6. Type in "Ukraine Women's Uniforms."
7. Complete the contact, credit card and billing information.
8. Uncheck the **"Save your info and create a PayPal account"** line unless you want to create a PayPal account.
1. Select **Donate** and you are done!

