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## NEWS RELEASE

### **JDF GETS RULES OF ENGAGEMENT DVD**

British Defence Adviser, Colonel Neil Salisbury recently presented the Jamaica Defence Force with a newly created Rules Of Engagement training DVD in a short handover done at Up Park Camp on Monday 09 August, 2010.

The training DVD which explains the exact circumstances under which members of the JDF may open fire, represents the final installment in a £500,000 training package offered to the JDF by the British, United States and Canadian governments.



Dr Paris Lyew-aye (2<sup>nd</sup> right) makes a point about the Rules Of Engagement DVD to Col. Neil Salisbury ( 3<sup>rd</sup> left) and Col Rocky Meade (3<sup>rd</sup> right) looking on from the left are Maj. Warrenton Dixon, Robert Robinson and Capt Basil Jarrett ( right)

“I am confident that this new training system will significantly improve members of the JDF’s understanding of the rules within which they must operate, whilst giving them the confidence to get on and do their job in support of the police. Most importantly it will reduce the chances of innocent civilians being killed or injured during JDF operations,” said Col Salisbury.

Accepting the gift was Colonel General Staff of the JDF, Colonel Rocky Meade, who agreed that the training DVD was an important element of the JDF’s efforts to emphasize the importance of the use of reasonable force to protect life.



“The entire training assistance equipment,” he said, “will help us to ensure that our conduct on military operations are in keeping with the professionalism and integrity that is synonymous with our organization”.

In addition to the DVD, the British, American and Canadian Governments have in the past year, donated a number of training equipment and resources to help the JDF in this mission. This includes the installation of State-of-the-Art Firearm Training Simulators (FATS) at Up Park Camp and at the Moneague Training Camp. The FATS system provides soldiers with computer generated real life scenarios in which they are required to make rules of engagement decisions in a simulated environment.

The British Government also provided an Aide Memoir to the JDF ROE Policy Document. This Aide Memoir is an abridged version of the ROE Policy Document that is small, handy and practical enough for soldiers to carry with them at all times and all soldiers are expected to be conversant with its requirements.

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