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**ARMENIAN URBAN  
SEARCH AND RESCUE TEAM:  
IEC  
PREPARATION PROCESS**

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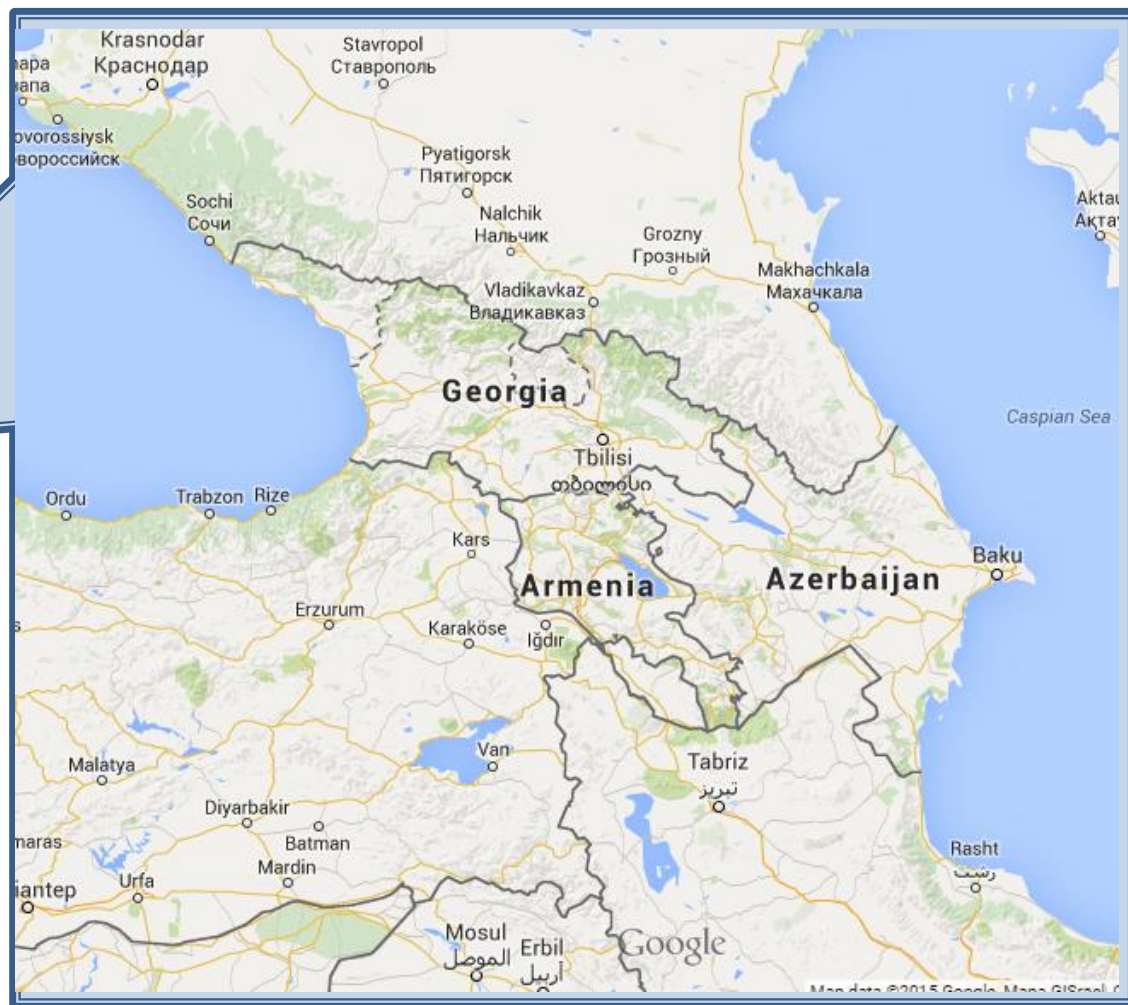
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## HISTORY

1991 - Emergency Management Administration

1997 - Emergency Management Administration under the Government of RA.

2005 - Emergency Management Administration was renamed to Armenian Rescue Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration, RA

2008 - Ministry of Emergency Situations, RA.

1995- Ministry of Territorial Administration, RA

2014 - Ministry of Territorial Administration and Emergency Situations, RA







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## HISTORY

The Rapid Response Rescue Team founded in 1997



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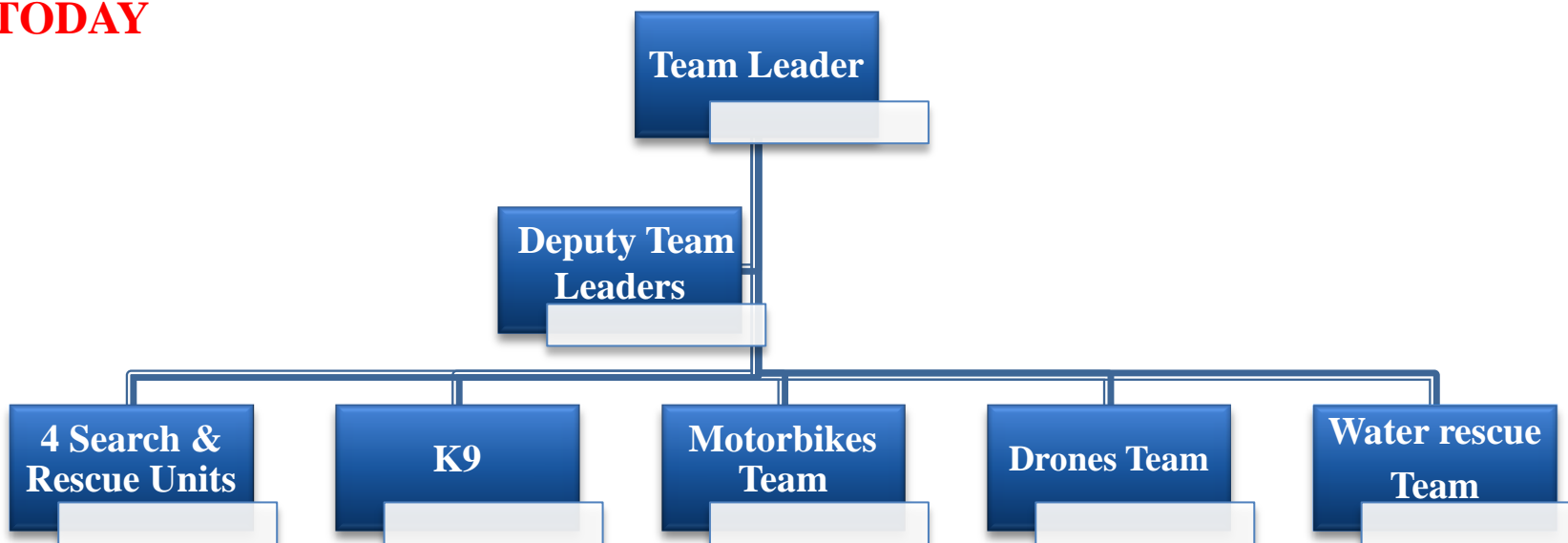


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**CENTER FOR SPECIAL RESCUE OPERATIONS**

**TODAY**







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# IEC PROCESS

## STARTING-2011

- ▶ Order No 18 of the Minister of Emergency Situations of the Republic of Armenia about “Regulating the preparatory works for the INSARAG External Classification of the Armenian USAR team of the Armenian Rescue Service of the Ministry of Emergency Situations of the Republic of Armenia” dated 02.02.2011

## Appointed

- ▶ - INSARAG Policy Focal Point
- ▶ - INSARAG Operational Focal Point

IEC APPLICATION was sent to INSARAG Secretariat 04.02.2011



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Field Coordination Support Section (FCSS)  
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Extract from the order No 18-17 of the Minister of Emergency Situations of the Republic of Armenia about “Regulating the preparatory works for the INSARAG External Classification of the Armenian USAR team of the Armenian Rescue Service of the Ministry of Emergency Situations of the Republic of Armenia” dated on 02.02.2011:

### I ORDER

To appoint Colonel Hovhannes Yemishyan, Head of Population and Territories Protection Department of the Armenian Rescue Service of the Ministry of Emergency Situations of the Republic of Armenia as an INSARAG Focal Point representing the Armenian Rescue Service of the Ministry of Emergency Situations of the Republic of Armenia.

Head of staff



*H. Yemishyan*

Hamlet Hakobyan



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## Challenges

### Legislation/Regulation

- regulations

### Institutional

- Team composition
- Staff preparation
- Equipment
- Location of Base Camp





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**REGULATIONS**

Decision n 848–n of the government of the Republic of Armenia, dated July 30, 2015

On establishing the procedures of involvement of rescue forces in the operations of prevention, reduction and elimination of possible consequences of emergency situations out of the territory of the Republic of Armenia





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## OTHER REGULATIONS

- ↖ charter flights contracts,
- ↖ Insurance,
- ↖ Get Airports Ready to Disaster (GARD),
- ↖ permission of air corridor,
- ↖ Dry food supply







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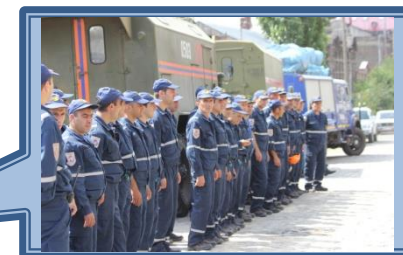


## USAR Teams Locations



**USAR  
TEAM**

**USAR  
TEAM**





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**STRUCTURE OF ARMENIAN URBAN SEARCH AND RESCUE TEAM**



**Logistics**



**Management**



**Rescue**



**Medical**



**Search**

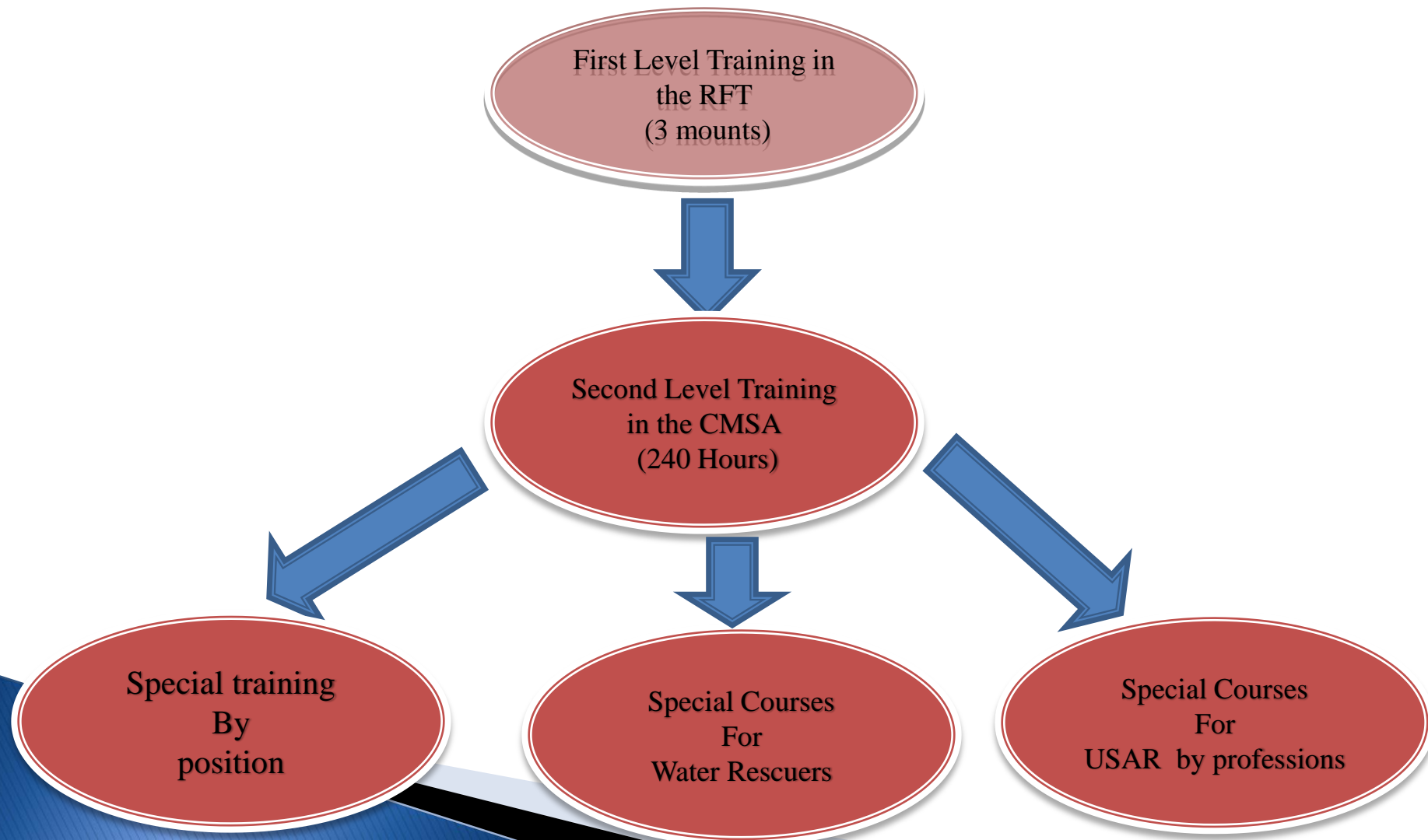




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**Rescuers Training Procedures**



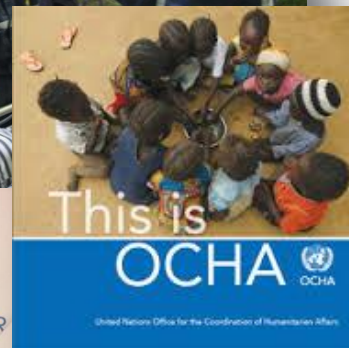


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## **USAR Training Modules**

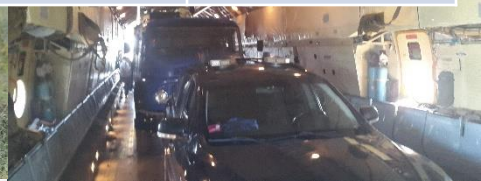
- Shoring – 34 hours,
- Rope rescue – 40 hours,
- Moving & Lifting - 6 hours,
- Logistics - 12 hours,
- Maintenance - 12 hours,
- Technical search - 24 hours,
- Rescue technics - 40 hours,
- First Medical Aid - 48 hours,
- Focus on areas – 16 hours,
- Humanitarian Response System – 40 hours.



**This is UNDAC**  
The United Nations Disaster Assessment and Coordination System

# Capacities improvement

Date	Activities	Place
2011	"Alarming and assembling" exercise	Armenia
2011	"Rescue operations in collapsed zones" exercise	Armenia
May 2012	"Rescue operations in collapsed zones" exercise	Armenia
October 2012	"Rescue operations in case of airplane accident" exercise	Armenia
2013	«Response 2013» military command post exercise	Armenia
2013	"Mountain rescue operations" exercise	Armenia
2013	"Population protection in case of a strong earthquake" exercise	Armenia
March 2014	ARM USAR Team Pre-IEC-1	Armenia
September 2014	ARM USAR Team Pre-IEC-2	Armenia
December 2014	ARM USAR Team Border Crossing Procedures and Loading on Aircraft	Armenia
May 2015	ARM USAR Team Pre-IEC-3	Armenia





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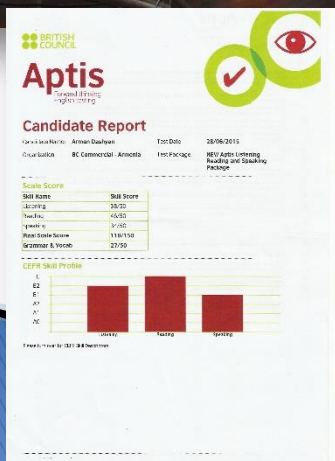




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12 staff members of ARM USAR passed Aptis test to conclude one year course on developing English language skills.



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**CENTER FOR SPECIAL RESCUE OPERATIONS**  
**LOCATION**

**GETARGEL COMMUNITY**



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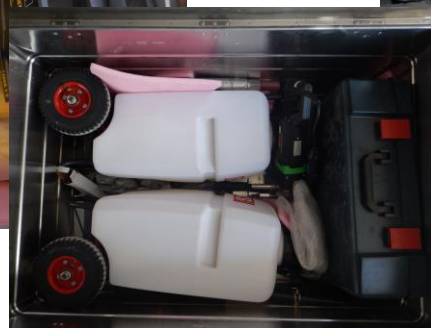




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# Equipment



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# ARMENIAN USAR IEC

## September 1-4, 2015







# Successful Result



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