



Circuit Training Challenge at Camp Villaggio Italia: KFOR Soldiers Star in the Balkan Games 2025

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At **Camp Villaggio Italia**, in the municipality of Pejë/Peć, the 2025 edition of the “**Balkan Games**” took place, an important sporting competition that involved personnel from contingents of various nationalities belonging to the **KFOR (Kosovo Force)** mission led by NATO, within the framework of the **Regional Command West**.

The event, conceived as a **team competition**, represented a moment of sharing and exchange among soldiers from different countries, with the aim of promoting **physical fitness**, **coordination**, and **teamwork**.

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The competition unfolded through a challenging **circuit of physical tests**, which tested the strength, endurance, and cooperation skills of the participants. Among the challenges faced: running, power exercises, and endurance tests, all designed to highlight not only athletic qualities but also the **group spirit** and solidarity among the soldiers.

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The wide participation highlighted the **determination, discipline, and spirit of cooperation** that distinguish the soldiers involved in the mission. A clear example of how sport can become a tool to strengthen international ties and promote common values, even in complex operational contexts.

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The **KFOR** mission, which operates based on the **UN Security Council Resolution 1244 (1999)**, continues to ensure a safe environment and freedom of movement for all people and communities in Kosovo. This is done in close collaboration with the local police and the **EULEX** mission (European Union Rule of Law Mission in Kosovo), each respecting their roles for the security of the region.