

### Decision "B" No. 17 of CC BCP Politburo, 23 June 1987

In order to improve the training of the Party and State during the transition from a peacetime to wartime, the Politburo has decided:

1. To organize a state military-political and operational-tactical exercise, headed by the Secretary General of the Central Committee of the Bulgarian Communist Party, Chairman of the State Council of the People's Republic of Bulgaria and Chairman of the State Defense Committee comrade Todor Zhivkov, in first half of June 1988. The code name of the exercise is "Rodina-88"...

2. The themes of the exercise will be: preparation the country and the armed forces for transition from peacetime to wartime; ideological, political and economic support for the conduct of war; restoration of the fighting capability of the armed forces and of the viability of the state after an enemy strike with weapons of mass destruction...

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5. The exercise is planned to proceed in two stages:

First stage: alerting the country and the armed forces for transition from peacetime to wartime—2 days.

Second stage: the management of the state and armed forces during the enemy attack ...

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