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Chiefs of European Navies gathered in front of former naval vessel Wasa.

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Friday saw the conclusion of CHEN 2007. The CHEN meeting provided a get-together and forum for informal discussions between the Commanders-in-Chief of the European navies and representatives of organisations with maritime associations.

The purpose is to foster understanding between countries with naval interests and to provide an opportunity to exchange experience as well as a forum for the discussion of matters of mutual interest.

CHEN, which stands for Chiefs of European Navies, has for the past year been under Swedish chairmanship in the person of Rear Admiral Anders Grenstad, the Navy Inspector and Chief of the Royal Swedish Navy. Matters discussed during Sweden's chairmanship include questions of security at sea stemming, for example, from increased exploitation of the sea bed, and questions relating to the control of maritime traffic in troubled waters.

The Navy Inspector has, as Chairman of CHEN, also been invited to give a presentation on naval aspects affecting the formation of a future Maritime Policy for the EU. This presentation was given at an EU conference held in Bremen earlier in May.

The meeting in Stockholm marked the end of the Swedish tenure of the chairmanship which now passes to the Chief of the Bulgarian Navy. After the conference, Rear Admiral Anders Grenstad was able to sum up a year of intensive activity: "I'm overwhelmed and somewhat surprised on the response I have received on our work over the past year."

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The Band of the Royal Swedish Navy celebrates CHEN 2007 in Stockholm.



Great interest for the marvelous Wasa Museum.



Aide-de-Camps to the Admirals viewing the model collection.



Chamber music provided by the Band of the Royal Swedish Navy.



Working day. All admirals on deck for CHEN 2007.



The spouses with their own program at the Royal Palace.



Swedish sovereigns hanging at the Royal Palace and spouses meet at the separate CHEN programme.

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