

# **International Security Assistance Force** and Afghan National Army strength & laydown



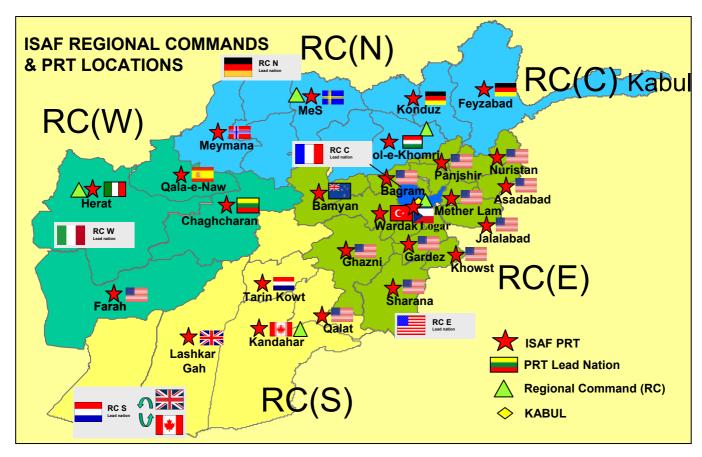
# I. International Security Assistance Force (ISAF): Facts and Figures

In accordance with all the relevant Security Council Resolutions, ISAF's main role is to assist the Afghan government in the establishment of a secure and stable environment. To this end, ISAF forces are conducting security and stability operations throughout the country together with the Afghan National Security Forces and are directly involved in the development of the Afghan National Army through mentoring, training and equipping.

#### **Key Facts:**

- · Commander: General (USA) David D. McKiernan
- 41 Troop Contributing Nations
- · ISAF Total Strength: approx 56, 420
- ISAF AOR (Afghanistan land mass) 650,000 km²
- · 26 Provincial Reconstruction Teams (PRTs)

Note on numbers: Totals are approximations and actual numbers change daily. Number of troops will never be exact and should be taken as indicatives.



### **Regional Command Capital:** (appx ISAF strength 5,740)

- HQ ISAF in Kabul (Composite)
- HQ RC(C) in Kabul (FRA)
- KAIA (HUN)

## Regional Command South: (appx ISAF strength 22,000)

- HQ RC(S) in KANDAHAR (NLD) (rotates CAN, NLD, GBR)
- Forward Support Base Kandahar (multinational)
- PRT KANDAHAR (CAN)
- PRT LASHKAR-GAH (GBR, DNK, EST)
- PRT TARIN KOWT (NLD,AUS)
- PRT QALAT (USA,ROU)

## **Regional Command West**: (appx ISAF strength 2,940)

- HQ RC(W) in HERAT (ITA)
- Forward Support Base HERAT (ESP)
- PRT HERAT (ITA)
- PRT FARAH (USA)
- PRT QALA-E-NOW (ESP)
- PRT CHAGHCHARAN (LTU)

#### **Regional Command North:** (appx ISAF strength 4,740)

- HQ RC(N) in MAZAR-E-SHARIF (DEU)
- Forward Support Base MAZAR-E-SHARIF (DEU)
- PRT MAZAR-E-SHARIF (SWE)
- PRT FEYZABAD (DEU)
- PRT KONDUZ (DEU)
- PRT POL-E KHOMRI (HUN)
- PRT MEYMANA (NOR)

#### **Regional Command East:** (appx ISAF strength 21,000)

- · HQ RC(E) in BAGRAM
- Forward Support Base BAGRAM (USA)
- PRT LOGAR (CZE)
- PRT GHAZNI (USA)
- PRT SHARANA (USA)
- PRT ASADABAD (USA)
- · PRT KHOST (USA)
- PRT METHER LAM (USA)
- PRT BAGRAM (USA)
- PRT BAMYAN (NZL)
- PRT NURISTAN (USA)
- PRT PANJSHIR (USA)
- PRT WARDAK (TUR)
- PRT JALALABAD (USA)
- PRT GARDEZ (USA)



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<u>Troop Contributing Nations (TCN)</u>: The ISAF mission consists of the following 41 nations (the troop numbers are based on broad contribution and do not reflect the exact numbers on the ground at any one time).

	Albania	140	8	Finland	110		Lithuania	200		Spain	780
* *	Australia	1,090		France	2,780		Luxemburg	9	+	Sweden	310
	Austria	1	+ +	Georgia	1		Netherlands	1,770	$\divideontimes$	The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia*	170
C•	Azerbaijan	45		Germany	3,460	***	New Zealand	150	C*	Turkey	700
	Belgium	410	*	Greece	140	+	Norway	490		Ukraine	10
	Bulgaria	510		Hungary	360		Poland	1,590		United Arab Emirates	25
*	Canada	2,830	+	Iceland	8	(1)	Portugal	30		United Kingdom	8,300
	Croatia	270		Ireland	7		Romania	900		United States	24,900
	Czech Republic	415		Italy	2,350	<b>(</b> ::	Singapore	20		T ( 1 ( 1 1 )	56,420
	Denmark	700	•	Jordan	4	#	Slovakia	120		Total (rounded)	30,420
	Estonia	90		Latvia	160	<b>*</b>	Slovenia	70			

<sup>\*</sup> Turkey recognises the Republic of Macedonia with its constitutional name

## II. The Afghan National Army (ANA): Facts and Figures

In September 2008, the Joint Commission and Monitoring Board, co-chaired by the Afghan government and the United Nations, agreed to increase the total strength of the ANA to 122,000 personnel with a 12,000 man training margin. As of February 2009, the ANA has an actual strength of 79,300 personnel. This represents 59% of the 134.000 approved strength which is scheduled to be reached by the end of 2011.

Operationally, the ANA is currently fielding 5 Corps Headquarters, a Capital Division responsible for the security of the Kabul area, and an ANA Air Corps providing the essential air support to the ANA brigades deployed throughout Afghanistan. Now, over 90% of ISAF operations are conducted in conjunction with the ANA.

