

COALITION COMBAT AND ADVISORY FORCES IN AFGHANISTAN

AFGHANISTAN ORDER OF BATTLE

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This document describes the composition and placement of U.S. and other Western combat and advisory forces in Afghanistan down to battalion level. It includes the following categories of units: maneuver (i.e. infantry, armor, and cavalry) units, which in most cases are responsible for advising or partnering with Afghan troops in particular districts or provinces; artillery units; aviation units, both rotary and fixed-wing; military police units; most types of engineer and explosive ordnance disposal units; and "white" special operations forces. It does not include "black" special operations units or other units such as logistical, transportation, medical, and intelligence units or Provincial Reconstruction Teams.

International Security Assistance Force / United States Forces—Afghanistan (Gen. Joseph Dunford, USMC)—ISAF Headquarters, Kabul

Special Operations Joint Task Force—Afghanistan / NATO Special Operations Component Command—Afghanistan (Maj. Gen. Raymond Thomas III, USA)—Camp Integrity, Kabul¹

Combined Joint Special Operations Task Force—Afghanistan (USA)—Bagram Airfield; village stability operations, advisors to Afghan Defense Ministry special operations forces, and other missions²

Special Operations Task Force—East (USA)—Bagram Airfield; operating in eastern Afghanistan

Special Operations Task Force—South (USA)—Kandahar Airfield; operating in Kandahar Province

Special Operations Task Force—South-East (USN)—U/I location; operating in Uruzgan and Zabul Provinces

Special Operations Task Force—West (USMC)—Camp Lawton, Herat; operating in western Afghanistan and Helmand Province

TF 1-26 Infantry (Lt. Col. William Jacobs, USA)—Camp Mike Spann, Mazar-e-Sharif; operating in northern Afghanistan³

ISAF Special Operations Forces / Special Operations Command and Control Element (UK/Australia)—Kabul; advisors to Afghan Interior Ministry special operations forces⁴

Regional Special Operations Task Groups—located around Afghanistan⁵

Combined Joint Special Operations Aviation Component—Afghanistan (USAF/USA)—Bagram Airfield; aviation support to SOJTF-A special operations forces⁶

9th Air and Space Expeditionary Task Force—Afghanistan (Maj. Gen. Kenneth Wilsbach, USAF)—Kabul International Airport; oversees U.S. Air Force units in Afghanistan⁷

451st Air Expeditionary Wing (USAF)—Kandahar Airfield; air support in southern and western Afghanistan

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26th Expeditionary Rescue Squadron (USAF)—Camp Bastion; medical evacuation support<sup>8</sup>
            36Ist Expeditionary Reconnaissance Squadron (USAF)—Kandahar Airfield; surveillance support9
            480th Expeditionary Fighter Squadron (USAF)—Kandahar Airfield; close air support<sup>10</sup>
            772nd Expeditionary Airlift Squadron (USAF)—Kandahar Airfield; transport support
        455th Air Expeditionary Wing (USAF)—Bagram Airfield; air support in eastern and northern Afghanistan
            4th Expeditionary Reconnaissance Squadron (USAF)—Bagram Airfield; surveillance support<sup>12</sup>
            83rd Expeditionary Rescue Squadron (USAF)—Bagram Airfield; medical evacuation support<sup>13</sup>
            62nd Expeditionary Reconnaissance Squadron (USAF)—Bagram, Kandahar, and Jalalabad Airfields; surveillance support<sup>14</sup>
            74th Expeditionary Fighter Squadron (USAF)—Bagram Airfield; close air support<sup>15</sup>
            774th Expeditionary Airlift Squadron (USAF)—Bagram Airfield; transport support<sup>16</sup>
            Marine Tactical Electronic Warfare Squadron (USMC)—Bagram Airfield; counter-IED mission<sup>17</sup>
Combined Joint Interagency Task Force 435 (Lt. Gen. Keith Huber, USA)—Kabul; responsible for rule-of-law and detention operations
        TF Vigilant / 18th Military Police Brigade (Col. Jan Apo, USA)—Parwan Detention Facility; detention operations<sup>18</sup>
            Task Group Trident / Navy Military Police Battalion—Afghanistan (USN)—Parwan Detention Facility; detainee guard force<sup>19</sup>
            U/I Military Police Battalion (USA)—Parwan Detention Facility<sup>20</sup>
NATO Training Mission—Afghanistan / Combined Security Transition Command—Afghanistan (Lt. Gen. Ken Tovo, USA)—Camp Eggers, Kabul; responsible for training
Afghan security forces21
            U/I infantry battalion (Canada)—Camp Alamo, Kabul, and other locations; training Afghan forces and national and regional training centers<sup>22</sup>
            TF Guam / I-294 Infantry (USA)—Camp Eggers, Kabul; NTM-A security force<sup>23</sup>
ISAF Joint Command / III Corps (Lt. Gen. Mark Milley, USA)—Kabul International Airport; countrywide operational headquarters<sup>24</sup>
        Combined Joint Task Force Paladin / 52nd Ordnance Group (Col. Marue QuickUSA)—Bagram Airfield; overseeing counter-IED operations countrywide25
            TF Paladin East / 184th EOD Battalion (Lt. Col. Donald Smith, USA)—Bagram Airfield; counter-IED operations in eastern Afghanistan<sup>26</sup>
            TF Paladin South / 242nd EOD Battalion (USA)—Kandahar Airfield; counter-IED operations in southern Afghanistan<sup>27</sup>
        Joint Task Force Triple Nickel / 555th Engineer Brigade (Col. Nicholas Katers, USA)—Bagram Airfield; overseeing engineer operations countrywide28
            TF Trojan Horse / 8th Engineer Battalion (Lt. Col. Mark Geraldi, USA)—FOB Shank, Logar; engineer support in N2KL and in Ghazni, Logar, and Wardak
            Provinces<sup>29</sup>
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TF Iron Fist / 4th Engineer Battalion (USA)—Kandahar Airfield; construction support in Kandahar Province<sup>30</sup>
       TF Black Diamond / 92nd Engineer Battalion (USA)—Kandahar Airfield; retrograde operations in southern Afghanistan<sup>31</sup>
       TF War Horse / 122nd Engineer Battalion (USA)—FOB Sharana; route clearance in Paktya, Paktika, and Khost Provinces<sup>32</sup>
       TF SAW / 307th Engineer Battalion (Lt. Col. Brett Sylvia, USA)—Camp Leatherneck; route clearance in southwestern and western Afghanistan33
       TF Dynamite / 878th Engineer Battalion (USA)—Kandahar Airfield; route clearance in southern Afghanistan34
       TF True Grit / Naval Mobile Construction Battalion 15 (Cmdr. Anthony Spindler, USN)—Camp Leatherneck; construction support in Helmand Province35
       TF Pacemaker / 864th Engineer Battalion (Lt. Col. John Henderson, USA)—FOB Sharana; withdrawal and deconstruction operations<sup>36</sup>
   TF ODIN (Enhanced) (Col. Neil Hersey, USA)—Bagram Airfield; surveillance support in eastern and southern Afghanistan<sup>37</sup>
       TF ODIN-A (USA)—Bagram Airfield and Kandahar Airfield; surveillance support<sup>38</sup>
       TF Condor (USA)—Bagram Airfield and Kandahar Airfield; surveillance support<sup>39</sup>
   TF Black Jack / 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 1st Cavalry Division (Col. Robert Whittle, USA)—Bagram Airfield; theater reserve force40
       TF Black Knight / I-5 Cavalry (USA)—FOB Airborne, Wardak; companies spread throughout southern RC-East
       TF Mustang / I-8 Cavalry (USA)—U/I location
       TF Red Dragon / 3-82 Field Artillery (USA)—Bagram Airfield; operating in Parwan Province
Regional Command Capital (Brig. Gen. Ali Riza Kugu, Turkey)—Camp Warehouse, Kabul; operating in Kabul Province<sup>41</sup>
       Ist Battalion Motorized Task Force (Turkey)—Camp Dogan, Kabul
       2nd Battalion Motorized Task Force (Turkey)—Camp Gazi, Kabul
Regional Command East / 101st Airborne Division (Maj. Gen. James McConville, USA)—Bagram Airfield; operating in fourteen eastern provinces<sup>42</sup>
   TF Commandos / 2nd Security Force Assistance Brigade, 10th Mountain Division (Col. Dennis Sullivan, USA)—FOB Sharana; operating in Paktika Province<sup>43</sup>
       TF Golden Dragons / 2-14 Infantry (Lt. Col. Robert Fouche, USA)—FOB Orgun; operating in eastern Paktika Province
       TF Allons / 2-15 Field Artillery (Lt. Col. Christopher Wendland, USA)—FOB Sharana; brigade artillery support
       TF Wolverine / I-89 Cavalry (Lt. Col. Robert Griggs, USA)—FOB Sharana; operating in western Paktika Province
   TF Currahee / 4th Security Force Assistance Brigade, 101st Airborne Division (Col. Val Keaveny, USA)—FOB Salerno, Khost; operating in Khost and Paktya
   Provinces<sup>44</sup>
       TF I-61 Cavalry (USA)—Camp Clark, Khost; operating in western Khost Province
       TF 1-506 Infantry (USA)—U/I location; operating in Paktya Province
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TF 2-506 Infantry (USA)—FOB Salerno; operating in eastern Khost Province
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TF 4-320 Field Artillery (USA)—U/I location; brigade artillery support

TF Falcon / 10th Combat Aviation Brigade (Col. David Francis, USA)—Bagram Airfield; aviation support in eastern and northern Afghanistan⁴⁵

TF Tigershark / I-10 Attack Aviation (USA)—FOB Salerno; aviation support in Khost and Paktya Provinces

TF Knighthawk / 2-10 Assault Aviation (USA)—FOB Shank; aviation support in Logar and Wardak Provinces

TF Phoenix / 3-10 General Support Aviation (USA)—Bagram Airfield; aviation support in Bamyan, Laghman, Panjshir, and Parwan Provinces

TF Reaper / I-135 Attack Aviation (Lt. Col. James Schreffler, USA)—Camp Marmal, Mazar-e-Sharif; aviation support in RC-North⁴⁶

TF Dragon / I-501 Attack Aviation (Lt. Col. Glen Heape, USA)—Jalalabad Airfield; aviation support in Kunar, Nangarhar, and Nuristan Provinces

TF Patriot / 4th Security Force Assistance Brigade, 10th Mountain Division (Col. Mario Diaz, USA)—FOB Gamberi; operating in Kapisa, Kunar, Laghman, Nangarhar, and Parwan Provinces⁴⁷

TF Thunder / 5-25 Field Artillery (Lt. Col. Matthew Condry, USA)—FOB Mehtar Lam; operating in Laghman Province

TF 2-4 Infantry (Lt. Col. Paul Cunningham, USA)—FOB Tagab; operating in Kapisa province

TF Dark Knight / 4-9 Cavalry (Lt. Col. Rob Smith, USA)—Jalalabad Airfield; operating in Nangarhar Province⁴⁸

TF Boar / 2-30 Infantry (Lt. Col. Alan Boyer, USA)—Jalalabad Airfield; operating in Nangarhar Province

TF Slugger / 3-89 Cavalry (Lt. Col. James Deore, USA)—FOB Wright, Asadabad; operating in Kunar Province

TF Vanguard / 4th Security Force Assistance Brigade, 3rd Infantry Division (Col. Kimo Gallahue, USA)—FOB Shank, Logar; operating in Logar and Wardak Provinces⁴⁹

TF Nashmi / TF 222 (Jordan)—FOB Shank; operating in Logar Province⁵⁰

TF Cottonbaler / 3-7 Infantry (Lt. Col. Gregory Bell, USA)—FOB Shank; operating in Logar Province

TF 6-8 Cavalry (Lt. Col. Justin Hadley, USA)—FOB Shank; operating in Logar Province

TF China / 3-15 Infantry (Lt. Col. Joel Smith, USA)—U/I location; operating in Wardak Province

TF Patriot / I-76 Field Artillery (Lt. Col. Lee Overby, USA)—FOB Shank; brigade artillery support

TF Warrior / Ist Security Force Assistance Brigade, 10th Mountain Division (Col. Stephen Michael, USA)—FOB Warrior; operating in southern and eastern Ghazni Province⁵¹

TF 3-6 Field Artillery (Lt. Col. Mike Oeschger, USA)—U/I location

TF 2-22 Infantry (USA)—FOB Warrior; operating in southern Ghazni Province

TF Summit / I-87 Infantry (Lt. Col. Daniel Morgan, USA)—FOB Arian; operating in eastern Ghazni Province

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TF White Eagle / 25th Air Cavalry Brigade (Brig. Gen. Marek Sokoowski, Poland)—FOB Ghazni; operating in northern Ghazni Province<sup>52</sup>
        Battle Group Alpha (Poland)—FOB Ghazni; operating in northern Ghazni Province
Regional Command North (Maj. Gen. Jorg Vollmer, Germany)—Camp Marmal, Mazar-e-Sharif; operating in nine northern provinces<sup>53</sup>
        Nordic-Baltic Transition Support Unit—Camp Northern Lights, Mazar-e-Sharif; operating in RC-North54
        Partnering and Advisory Task Force Kunduz (Germany)—FOB Kunduz; operating in southern Kunduz Province<sup>55</sup>
        Partnering and Advisory Task Force Mazar-e-Sharif (Germany)—Camp Marmal; operating in Balkh Province
        Expeditionary Air Wing Mazar-e-Sharif (Germany)—Camp Marmal; fixed- and rotary-wing aviation support for northern Afghanistan<sup>56</sup>
        TF Raider / 6-4 Cavalry (Lt. Col. Michael Zernickow, USA)—FOB Kunduz; operating in northern Kunduz Province<sup>57</sup>
Regional Command South / 4th Infantry Division (Maj. Gen. Paul LaCamera, USA)—Kandahar Airfield; operating in Kandahar, Uruzgan, and Zabul Provinces<sup>58</sup>
    Combined Team Uruzgan (Col. Simon Stuart, Australia)—Camp Holland, Tarin Kowt; operating in Uruzgan Province<sup>59</sup>
        Mentoring Task Force 7 / 2nd Cavalry Regiment (Lt. Col. Michael Bye, Australia)—Camp Holland; operating in Uruzgan Province<sup>60</sup>
   TF Dragoon / 2nd Cavalry Regiment (Col. Douglas Sims, USA)—Kandahar Airfield; operating in Kandahar Province<sup>61</sup>
        TF War Eagle / I-2 Cavalry (Lt. Col. Phillip Gage, USA)—FOB Zangabad; operating in Panjwayi District
        TF Cougar / 2-2 Cavalry (Lt. Col. Charles Svelan, USA)—U/I location
        TF Wolfpack / 3-2 Cavalry (Lt. Col. Eric Smith, USA)—FOB Pasab; operating in Maywand and Zhari Districts
        TF 4-2 Cavalry (Lt. Col. Christopher Budihas, USA)—FOB Lindsey; operating east of Kandahar City
        TF Centaur / I-6 Field Artillery (Lt. Col. Henry McNeilly, USA)—FOB Spin Boldak; operating in Spin Boldak District
        TF Hell / Fires Squadron, 2nd Cavalry Regiment (Lt. Col. Steven Fandrich, USA)—FOB Walton; operating in Kandahar City
    TF Duke / 3rd Brigade Combat Team, 1st Infantry Division (Col. James Crider, USA)—FOB Apache, Qalat; operating in Zabul Province
        TF Ramrod / 2-2 Infantry (USA)—FOB Apache; Afghan army advisors in Zabul Province
        Maneuver Battalion I (Romania)—FOB Apache, Qalat; operating along Highway I in Zabul Province<sup>62</sup>
   TF Demon / Ist Combat Aviation Brigade, Ist Infantry Division (Col. Matthew Lewis, USA)—Kandahar Airfield; aviation support in southern and western
   Afghanistan<sup>63</sup>
        TF Gunfighters / I-I Attack Aviation (USA)—FOB Tarin Kowt; aviation support in Uruzgan and Zabul Provinces
        TF Fighting Eagle / 2-I General Support Aviation (USA)—Kandahar Airfield; aviation support in Kandahar Province
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TF Nightmares / 3-I Assault Aviation (USA)—Shindand Airfield; aviation support in RC-West

TF Saber / I-6 Air Cavalry (USA)—Kandahar Airfield; aviation support in Kandahar Province

39 Squadron Royal Air Force (UK)—Kandahar Airfield; drone support for TF Helmand83

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Regional Command Southwest / II Marine Expeditionary Force (Forward) (Maj. Gen. Lee Miller, USMC)—Camp Leatherneck; operating in Helmand and Nimruz
Provinces<sup>64</sup>
        3/4 Marines (USMC)—FOB Jackson, Sangin; operating in northern Helmand Province<sup>65</sup>
        2/8 Marines (USMC)—Camp Dwyer, Garmsir; operating in southern Helmand Province<sup>66</sup>
        3rd Combat Engineer Battalion (USMC)—Camp Leatherneck; engineer support<sup>67</sup>
        33rd Light Infantry Battalion (Georgia)—COP Shukvani; operating in Musa Qala District<sup>68</sup>
        42nd Light Infantry Battalion (Georgia)—Camp Leatherneck; base security
    TF Helmand / Ist Mechanized Brigade (Brig. Rupert Jones, UK)—Camp Bastion; operating in central Helmand Province<sup>69</sup>
        Brigade Advisory Group / 4 Rifles (Lt. Col. Tom Bewick, UK)—Camp Tombstone; Afghan army advisors<sup>70</sup>
       Joint Engineer Group / 22 Engineer Regiment (Lt. Col. Jason Kerr, UK)—Camp Lashkar Gah; brigade engineer support71
        Joint Fires Group / I Regiment Royal Horse Artillery (UK)—U/I location; brigade artillery support72
        Police Mentoring and Advisory Group / 2 Royal Regiment of Scotland (Lt. Col. Robin Lindsay, UK)—Camp Lashkar Gah; Afghan police advisors
        Transition Support Unit Lashkar Gah / 2nd Royal Tank Regiment (UK)—Camp Lashkar Gah; operating in Lashkar Gah District<sup>73</sup>
        Transition Support Unit Nad-e-Ali / 2 Duke of Lancaster's Regiment (Lt. Col. Neil Unsworth, UK)—FOB Shawqat; operating in Nad-e-Ali District74
        Transition Support Unit Nahr-e-Saraj / I Royal Regiment of Fusiliers (Lt. Col. John Swift, UK)—FOB Price, Gereshk; operating in Nahr-e-Saraj District75
        Household Cavalry (UK)—Camp Bastion; elements acting as Brigade Reconnaissance Force
    2nd Marine Aircraft Wing (Forward) (Brig. Gen. Gary Thomas, USMC)—Camp Leatherneck; aviation support in Helmand and Nimruz Provinces<sup>76</sup>
        Marine Attack Squadron 3II (USMC)—Camp Bastion; fixed-wing close air support<sup>77</sup>
        Marine Heavy Helicopter Squadron 461 (USMC)—Camp Bastion; heavy transport aviation<sup>78</sup>
        Marine Light Attack Helicopter Squadron 167 (USMC)—Camp Bastion; attack aviation<sup>79</sup>
        Marine Medium Tiltrotor Squadron 264 (USMC)—Camp Bastion; medium transport aviation<sup>80</sup>
     Joint Aviation Group (UK)—Camp Leatherneck; headquarters for British aviation units
       Joint Helicopter Force Afghanistan (UK)—Camp Leatherneck; aviation support for TF Helmand<sup>81</sup>
        12 (Bomber) Squadron Royal Air Force (UK)—Kandahar Airfield; close air support for TF Helmand82
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Regional Command West / "Julia" Alpine Brigade (Brig. Gen. Ignazio Gamba, Italy)—Camp Arena, Herat; operating in Badghis, Farah, Ghor, and Herat Provinces⁸⁴

Transition Support Unit Badghis (Spain)—Qala-e-Naw; operating in Badghis Province

Transition Support Unit Center / 7th Alpine Regiment (Italy)—FOB La Marmora, Shindand; operating in southern Herat Province

Transition Support Unit South / 8th Alpine Regiment (Italy)—Camp El Alamein, Farah; operating in western Farah Province

TF Fenice / 5th Aviation Regiment (Italy)—Herat Airfield; aviation support in western Afghanistan

TF Genio / 2nd Engineer Regiment (Italy)—Camp Arena, Herat; engineer support for western Afghanistan

Major changes since August 1, 2013:

- -Relief of 3rd CAB by 1st CAB, 1st ID in RC-South
- —Departure of 1st BCT, 1st AD from RC-South

NOTES

- ¹ Established in the summer of 2012, SOJTF-A/NSOCC-A is a two-star headquarters that oversees all three allied SOF commands in Afghanistan: CJSOTF-A, ISAF SOF, and the "black" special operations forces of the U.S. Joint Special Operations Command task force. See USSOCOM Fact Book 2013. Maj. Gen. Scott Miller may already have replaced Maj. Gen. Thomas as SOJTF-A commander.
- ² CJSOTF-A is headquartered by troops from the 3rd Special Forces Group. Its core tasks are to advise the Afghan National Army's special operations forces (the Afghan commando kandaks and Special Forces) and to train and advise the local police forces associated with the Village Stability Operations program. CJSOTF-A controls six battalion-level task forces: two built around Army Special Forces battalions, two around Army infantry battalions, one around a Marine special operations battalion, and one around a Navy SEAL team. Navy Combat Camera Command Detachment 1210, "CJSOTF-A Presentation," June 2012.
- ³I-26 Infantry relieved 2-7 Infantry in June 2013. TF Balkh mixes conventional and special operations troops, and some of its companies are in southern and eastern Afghanistan with other task forces. See battalion Facebook page.
- ⁴ Established in 2007, ISAF SOF is a one-star, brigade-level headquarters that oversees most non-U.S. special operations forces in Afghanistan as well as one U.S. special operations unit, TF 10. Command of ISAF SOF appears to rotate between British and Australian officers; Brig. Mark Smethurst was in command as of March 2012.
- ⁵The ISAF SOTGs, some battalion-level and some company-level, support the various regional commands, often by advising elite Afghan Interior Ministry units like the Provincial Response Companies, the Kabul-based Crisis Response Unit, and TF 333 and TF 444, and are designated as numbered task forces. For example, press reports mention TF 10 (a company from the U.S. 10th Special Forces Group) in RC-Capital; TF 45 (Italian SOF) in RC-West; TF 47 (German SOF) in RC-North; TF 49 and TF 50 (Polish SOF) in Ghazni and other areas in RC-East; TF 42, TF 196, and TF 528 (British SOF) in Helmand; and TF 66 (Australian SOF) in Uruzgan and Kandahar. (Units that have since withdrawn included France's TF 32 and the Netherlands' TF 637.)
- ⁶CJSOAC-A is composed of helicopter, fixed-wing, and unmanned aviation units from the U.S. Air Force Special Operations Command, the 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment, and conventional U.S. Army aviation units.
- ⁷9th AETF-A does not fall under ISAF command, but its commander is dual-hatted as Deputy Commander (Air) of USFOR-A. It exercises only partial control of the wings and squadrons below it; day-to-day tactical control of those units is exercised by U.S. Air Force Central's Combined Air and Space Operations Center in the Persian Gulf.
- ⁸ 26th ERQS is an HH-60G rescue helicopter squadron.
- $^{9}\,36\,\mathrm{Ist}$ ERS is an MC-12 squadron. Kandahar Airfield web site.
- $^{\mbox{\tiny 10}}$ This F-16 squadron deployed in April 2013.
- $^{\rm II}$ 772nd EAS is a C-I30 squadron. Kandahar Airfield web site.
- 4th ERS is an MC-12 squadron. Bagram Airfield web site.

- ¹³ 83rd ERQS is an HH-60G rescue helicopter squadron.
- $^{\rm I4}62nd~ERS$ is an MQ-I and MQ-9 drone squadron. Bagram Airfield web site.
- ¹⁵74th EFS is an A-10C squadron that deployed in April 2013. See warthognews.blogspot.com.
- ¹⁶ 774th EAS is a C-130 squadron. Bagram Airfield web site.
- ¹⁷VMAQ-3 relieved VMAQ-2 in early October 2012. It is an EA-6B squadron.
- ¹⁸ 18th MP Brigade relieved 333rd MP Brigade in July 2013. See brigade Facebook page.
- ¹⁹ MCC(SW) Maria Yager, CJIATF-435, "Navy Military Police Battalion Changes Command, Swaps Crew," May 13, 2011.
- ²⁰ This battalion deployed in early 2012.
- ²¹ Lt. Gen. Ken Tovo took command of NTM-A/CSTC-A in April 2013. His deputy commander for operations is a Canadian officer.
- ²² This Quebec-based battalion, likely from the Royal 22e Regiment, relieved 2 RCR in October 2012. See Operation Attention web site.
- ²³ I-294 relieved I-I67 Infantry in early May 2013.
- ²⁴V Corps relieved I Corps as the headquarters of the IJC in June 2012.
- ²⁵52nd Ordnance Group relieved the Navy's EOD Group Two as CJTF Paladin in May 2013.
- ²⁶ 184th EOD Battalion relieved 84th EOD Battalion in March 2013.
- ²⁷ 242nd EOD Battalion relieved 3rd EOD Battalion in July 2013.
- ²⁸JTF Empire relieved the 18th Engineer Brigade, which had been responsible for only northern and eastern Afghanistan, in June 2012. Staff Sgt. Derek Smith, "411th Engineers Assume Control of Operations in Afghanistan," DVIDS, June 12, 2012.
- ²⁹8th Engineer Battalion relieved 1st Engineer Battalion in June 2013. See battalion Facebook page.
- 3º 4th Engineer Battalion relieved 20th Engineer Battalion in June 2013. See JTF Triple Nickel newsletter.
- ³¹ 92nd Engineer Battalion relieved 62nd Engineer Battalion in March 2013. See battalion Facebook page.
- 32 122nd Engineer Battalion relieved 178th Engineer Battalion in May 2013.
- ³³ 307th Engineer Battalion relieved 507th Engineer Battalion in March 2013.
- ³⁴ 878th Engineer Battaliod relieved 120th Engineer Battalion in April 2013.
- ³⁵ NMCB-15 relieved NMCB-133 in March 2013.
- 36 864th Engineer Battalion deployed in February 2013. The battalion falls under the CENTCOM Materiel Recovery Element, not ISAF, but is listed here for clarity's sake.
- ³⁷ODIN stands for Observe-Detect-Identify-Neutralize. The current leadership of TF ODIN-E arrived in July 2013.
- 38 TF ODIN-A operates the MQ-IC and RQ-5 UAVs and various versions of the C-12 and C-35 airplanes. The current TF ODIN-A rotation deployed in May 2013.
- ³⁹ TF Condor operates the RQ-5 UAV and a version of the C-12 airplane.
- 4º 2nd BCT, Ist Cavalry Division deployed in July 2013. See brigade Facebook page.
- ⁴¹The current headquarters of RC-Capital arrived in November 2012. ISAF.NATO.int, "Subordinate Commands | RC-Capital."
- 42 IOIst Airborne Division took over as RC-East in March 2013. See RC-East Facebook page.
- ⁴³ 2nd SFAB, 10th Mountain relieved elements of 4th BCT, 1st ID in mid-February 2013.
- 44 4th SFAB, 101st Airborne relieved 3rd BCT, 101st Airborne in May 2013. See brigade Facebook page.
- ⁴⁵ Ioth CAB relieved IOIst CAB in May 2013. Each of its battalion task forces combines UH-60, CH-47, AH-64, and OH-58 companies and provides direct support to a BCT. See brigade Facebook page and battalion Facebook pages.
- ⁴⁶ I-I35 Aviation relieved I-I04 Aviation in August 20I3.
- 47 4th SFAB, 10th Mountain relieved 4th SFAB, 1st Cavalry Division and 1st SFAB, 101st Airborne in July 2013. See brigade Facebook page and battalion Facebook pages.
- ⁴⁸ 4-9 Cavalry is detached from 2nd BCT, 1st Cavalry Division.
- ⁴⁹ 4th SFAB, 3rd ID relieved 173rd Airborne BCT in March 2013. See brigade and battalion Facebook pages.
- 5° TF 222 is built around an unidentified Jordanian Ranger battalion. The battalions appear to rotate in roughly December and June. Maj. Ashraf al-Adwan, "A Lasting Partnership."
- 51 Ist SFAB, 10th Mountain relieved elements of 4th BCT, Ist ID in mid-February 2013.
- 52 25th Air Cavalry Brigade relieved 12th Mechanized Brigade as TF White Eagle in May 2013.
- ⁵³The current headquarters of RC-North arrived in February 2013. ISAF.NATO.int, "Subordinate Commands | RC-North."
- 54 The Nordic-Baltic Transition Support Unit was established in March 2013 and comprises 450 Swedish, Norwegian, Finnish, and Latvian troops.
- ⁵⁵The current leadership of PATF Kunduz, from Airborne Brigade 26, took over in January 2013. See RC-North Facebook page.
- ⁵⁶ See RC-North Facebook page.
- ⁵⁷ 6-4 Cavalry relieved 3-7 Cavalry in May 2013. See squadron Facebook page.
- ⁵⁸ 4th ID relieved 3rd ID as RC-South in early July 2013. See division Facebook page.
- 59 CTU is a composite headquarters made up of U.S. and Australian personnel. Although the commander of CTU is an Australian officer, who relieved American leadership in October

- 2012, much of CTU's headquarters is formed from the U.S. 79th BCT headquarters. See CTU Facebook page.
- ⁶⁰ MTF-7 relieved MTF-6 in June 2013. See CTU Facebook page.
- ⁶¹ 2nd Cavalry Regiment relieved 4th SBCT, 2nd ID in July 2013. See regimental Facebook page.
- ⁶² Ist Maneuver Battalion redeployed home to Romania in June 2013.
- ⁶³ Ist CAB, 1st ID relieved 3rd CAB in August 2013.
- ⁶⁴ II MEF (Forward) took over as RC-Southwest in late February 2013.
- 65 3/4 Marines relieves 2/7 Marines in April 2013.
- 66 2/8 Marines relieved 3/9 in May 2013.
- ⁶⁷ 3rd CEB deployed in April 2013.
- ⁶⁸The 33rd and 42nd Georgian battalions deployed in April 2013.
- ⁶⁹ Ist Mechanized Brigade relieved 4th Mechanized Brigade in April 2013.
- ⁷⁰ 4 Rifles relieved I Scots in early April 2013.
- ⁷¹ 22 Engineer Regiment relieved 21 Engineer Regiment in April 2013. See regiment Facebook page.
- ⁷² I Regiment RHA relieved 4 Regiment RA in April 2013.
- $^{73}\, {\rm 2}$ RTR relieved 1 LANCS in April 2013.
- ⁷⁴ 2 LANCS relieved I Mercian Regiment in Nad-e-Ali in April 2013.
- ⁷⁵ I RRF relieved 40 Commando in April 2013.
- ⁷⁶ 2nd MAW (Forward) relieved 3rd MAW (Forward) in late February 2013.
- ⁷⁷VMA-311 is an AV-8B squadron that relieved VMA-231 in the spring of 2013.
- ⁷⁸ HMH-461 is a CH-53E squadron that relieved HMH-361 in February 2013.
- $^{79}\,HMLA\text{-}167$ is an AH-IW and UH-IY squadron that relieved HMLA-I69 in May 2013.
- 80 VMM-264 is an MV-22B squadron that was in Afghanistan as of April 2013.
- ⁸¹JHF(A) is made up of British Army, Royal Air Force, and Royal Navy units. It operates a variety of attack and lift helicopters.
- ⁸² 12 Squadron, a Tornado GR4 squadron, relieved 31 Squadron in July 2013.
- 83 39 Squadron is a Reaper UAV squadron.
- 84 The "Julia" Brigade relieved the "Taurinense" Brigade as RC-West in March 2013.