



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

Kabul Support Unit / Royal Scots Dragoon Guards (Lt. Col. Ben Cattermole, UK)—Kabul; security force supporting ISAF Headquarters and British facilities¹

Special Operations Joint Task Force—Afghanistan / NATO Special Operations Component Command—Afghanistan (Maj. Gen. Scott Miller, USA)—Camp Integrity, Kabul²

Combined Joint Special Operations Task Force—Afghanistan (Col. Patrick Roberson, USA)—Bagram Airfield; village stability operations, advisors to Afghan Defense Ministry special operations forces, and other missions³

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 Zabol 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 Afghanistan⁴

ISAF Special Operations Forces (UK/Australia)—Kabul; advisors to Afghan Interior Ministry special operations forces⁵

Regional Special Operations Task Groups—located around Afghanistan⁶

Combined Joint Special Operations Aviation Component—Afghanistan (USAF/USA)—Bagram Airfield; aviation support to SOJTF-A special operations forces⁷

9th Air and Space Expeditionary Task Force—Afghanistan (Maj. Gen. Kenneth Wilsbach, USAF)—Kabul International Airport; oversees U.S. Air Force units in Afghanistan⁸

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

26th Expeditionary Rescue Squadron (USAF)—Camp Bastion; medical evacuation support⁹

361st Expeditionary Reconnaissance Squadron (USAF)—Kandahar Airfield; surveillance support¹⁰

480th Expeditionary Fighter Squadron (USAF)—Kandahar Airfield; close air support¹¹

772nd Expeditionary Airlift Squadron (USAF)—Kandahar Airfield; transport support¹²

455th Air Expeditionary Wing (USAF)—Bagram Airfield; air support in eastern and northern Afghanistan

4th Expeditionary Reconnaissance Squadron (USAF)—Bagram Airfield; surveillance support¹³

83rd Expeditionary Rescue Squadron (USAF)—Bagram Airfield; medical evacuation support¹⁴

62nd Expeditionary Reconnaissance Squadron (USAF)—Bagram, Kandahar, and Jalalabad Airfields; surveillance support¹⁵

74th Expeditionary Fighter Squadron (USAF)—Bagram Airfield; close air support¹⁶

774th Expeditionary Airlift Squadron (USAF)—Bagram Airfield; transport support¹⁷

Marine Tactical Electronic Warfare Squadron (USMC)—Bagram Airfield; counter-IED mission¹⁸

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 operations¹⁹

Task Group Trident / Navy Military Police Battalion—Afghanistan (USN)—Parwan Detention Facility; detainee guard force²⁰

U/I Military Police Battalion (USA)—Parwan Detention Facility²¹

NATO Training Mission—Afghanistan / Combined Security Transition Command—Afghanistan (Lt. Gen. Ken Tovo, USA)—Camp Eggers, Kabul; responsible for training Afghan security forces²²

U/I infantry battalion (Canada)—Camp Alamo, Kabul, and other locations; training Afghan forces and national and regional training centers²³

TF Guam / 1-294 Infantry (USA)—Camp Eggers, Kabul; NTM-A security force²⁴

ISAF Joint Command / III Corps (Lt. Gen. Mark Milley, USA)—Kabul International Airport; countrywide operational headquarters²⁵

Combined Joint Task Force Paladin / 52nd Ordnance Group (Col. Marue Quick USA)—Bagram Airfield; overseeing counter-IED operations countrywide²⁶

TF Paladin East / 184th EOD Battalion (Lt. Col. Donald Smith, USA)—Bagram Airfield; counter-IED operations in eastern Afghanistan²⁷

TF Paladin South / 242nd EOD Battalion (USA)—Kandahar Airfield; counter-IED operations in southern Afghanistan²⁸

Joint Task Force Sapper / 130th Engineer Brigade (Col. Diana Holland, USA)—Bagram Airfield; overseeing engineer operations countrywide²⁹

TF Trojan Horse / 8th Engineer Battalion (Lt. Col. Mark Gerald, USA)—FOB Shank, Logar; engineer support in N2KL and in Ghazni, Logar, and Wardak Provinces³⁰

TF Iron Fist / 4th Engineer Battalion (USA)—Kandahar Airfield; construction support in Kandahar Province³¹

TF Bayonet / 65th Engineer Battalion (Lt. Col. David Acker, USA)—Camp Leatherneck; route clearance in southern and western Afghanistan³²

TF Black Diamond / 489th Engineer Battalion (USA)—Kandahar Airfield; retrograde operations in southern Afghanistan³³

TF War Horse / 122nd Engineer Battalion (USA)—FOB Sharana; route clearance in Paktya, Paktika, and Khost Provinces³⁴

TF Dynamite / 878th Engineer Battalion (USA)—Kandahar Airfield; route clearance in southern Afghanistan³⁵

Naval Mobile Construction Battalion 28 (USN)—Kandahar Airfield; construction support in southern Afghanistan³⁶

133rd Engineer Battalion (Lt. Col. Dean Preston, USA)—Bagram Airfield; withdrawal and deconstruction operations³⁷

TF ODIN (Enhanced) (Col. Neil Hersey, USA)—Bagram Airfield; surveillance support in eastern and southern Afghanistan³⁸

TF ODIN-A (USA)—Bagram Airfield and Kandahar Airfield; surveillance support³⁹

TF Condor (USA)—Bagram Airfield and Kandahar Airfield; surveillance support⁴⁰

TF Black Jack / 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 1st Cavalry Division (Col. Robert Whittle, USA)—Bagram Airfield; theater reserve force⁴¹

TF Black Knight / 1-5 Cavalry (USA)—FOB Airborne, Wardak; companies spread throughout southern RC-East

TF Mustang / 1-8 Cavalry (USA)—Kandahar Airfield; companies spread throughout RC-South

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 Province⁴²

1st 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 provinces⁴³

TF Currahee / 4th Security Force Assistance Brigade, 101st Airborne Division (Col. Val Keaveny, USA)—FOB Lightning, Gardez⁴⁴

TF 1-61 Cavalry (USA)—Camp Clark, Khost; operating in western Khost Province

TF 1-506 Infantry (USA)—U/I location; operating in Paktya Province

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 / 1-10 Attack Aviation (USA)—Jalalabad Airfield; aviation support in northern RC-East

TF Knighthawk / 2-10 Assault Aviation (USA)—FOB Shank; aviation support in southern RC-East

TF Phoenix / 3-10 General Support Aviation (USA)—Bagram Airfield; aviation support throughout RC-East

TF Reaper / 1-135 Attack Aviation (Lt. Col. James Schreffler, USA)—Camp Marmal, Mazar-e-Sharif; aviation support in RC-North⁴⁶

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 Mustang / 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 White Eagle / 25th Air Cavalry Brigade (Brig. Gen. Marek Sokoowski, Poland)—FOB Ghazni; operating in northern Ghazni Province⁵¹

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 provinces⁵²

Nordic-Baltic Transition Support Unit—Camp Northern Lights, Mazar-e-Sharif; operating in RC-North⁵³

Partnering and Advisory Task Force Kunduz (Germany)—FOB Kunduz; operating in southern Kunduz Province⁵⁴

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 Afghanistan⁵⁵

TF Raider / 6-4 Cavalry (Lt. Col. Michael Zernickow, USA)—U/I location; operating in RC-North⁵⁶

Regional Command South / 4th Infantry Division (Maj. Gen. Paul LaCamera, USA)—Kandahar Airfield; operating in Kandahar, Uruzgan, and Zabul Provinces⁵⁷

Combined Team Uruzgan (Col. Simon Stuart, Australia)—Camp Holland, Tarin Kowt; operating in Uruzgan Province⁵⁸

Mentoring Task Force 7 / 2nd Cavalry Regiment (Lt. Col. Michael Bye, Australia)—Camp Holland; operating in Uruzgan Province⁵⁹

TF Dragoon / 2nd Cavalry Regiment (Col. Douglas Sims, USA)—Kandahar Airfield; operating in Kandahar Province⁶⁰

TF War Eagle / 1-2 Cavalry (Lt. Col. Phillip Gage, USA)—FOB Zangabad; operating in Panjwayi District

TF Cougar / 2-2 Cavalry (Lt. Col. Charles Svelan, USA)—FOB Frontenac; operating in Shah Wali Kot District

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 Budihis, USA)—FOB Lindsey; operating east of Kandahar City

TF Centaur / 1-6 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 1 (Romania)—FOB Apache, Qalat; operating along Highway 1 in Zabul Province⁶¹

TF Demon / 1st Combat Aviation Brigade, 1st Infantry Division (Col. Matthew Lewis, USA)—Kandahar Airfield; aviation support in southern and western Afghanistan⁶²

TF Gunfighters / 1-1 Attack Aviation (USA)—FOB Tarin Kowt; aviation support in Uruzgan and Zabul Provinces

TF Fighting Eagle / 2-1 General Support Aviation (USA)—Kandahar Airfield; aviation support in Kandahar Province

TF Nightmares / 3-1 Assault Aviation (USA)—Shindand Airfield; aviation support in RC-West

TF Saber / 1-6 Air Cavalry (USA)—Kandahar Airfield; aviation support in Kandahar Province

Regional Command Southwest / II Marine Expeditionary Force (Forward) (Maj. Gen. Lee Miller, USMC)—Camp Leatherneck; operating in Helmand and Nimruz Provinces⁶³

3/7 Marines (USMC)—FOB Jackson, Sangin; operating in northern Helmand Province⁶⁴

2/8 Marines (USMC)—Camp Dwyer, Garmsir; operating in southern Helmand Province⁶⁵

3rd Combat Engineer Battalion (USMC)—Camp Leatherneck; engineer support⁶⁶

Batumi Light Infantry Battalion (Georgia)—COP Eredvi, Musa Qala; operating in Musa Qala District⁶⁷

31st Light Infantry Battalion (Georgia)—Camp Leatherneck; base security

TF Helmand / 7th Armoured Brigade (Brig. James Woodham, UK)—Camp Bastion; operating in central Helmand Province⁶⁸

Brigade Advisory Team / 3 Mercian Regiment (UK)—Camp Tombstone; Afghan army advisors⁶⁹

Joint Engineer Group / 32 Engineer Regiment (UK)—U/I location; brigade engineer support⁷⁰

Joint Fires Group / 3 Regiment Royal Horse Artillery (UK)—U/I location; brigade artillery support⁷¹

Joint ISTAR Group / 9th/12th Royal Lancers (UK)—Camp Bastion; brigade surveillance and reconnaissance support

Manoeuvre Battlegroup / 4 Royal Regiment of Scotland (UK)—Camp Bastion and MOB Price, Gereshk; base security

Transition Support Unit Lashkar Gah / 2 Royal Anglian Regiment (Lt. Col. Nigel Johnson, UK)—Camp Lashkar Gah; operating in Lashkar Gah District⁷²

2nd Marine Aircraft Wing (Forward) (Brig. Gen. Gary Thomas, USMC)—Camp Leatherneck; aviation support in Helmand and Nimruz Provinces⁷³

Marine Attack Squadron 311 (USMC)—Camp Bastion; fixed-wing close air support⁷⁴

Marine Heavy Helicopter Squadron 462 (USMC)—Camp Bastion; heavy transport aviation⁷⁵

Marine Light Attack Helicopter Squadron 167 (USMC)—Camp Bastion; attack aviation⁷⁶

Marine Medium Tiltrotor Squadron 165 (USMC)—Camp Bastion; medium transport aviation⁷⁷

Joint Aviation Group (UK)—Camp Leatherneck; headquarters for British aviation units

Joint Helicopter Force Afghanistan (UK)—Camp Leatherneck; aviation support for TF Helmand⁷⁸

12 (Bomber) Squadron Royal Air Force (UK)—Kandahar Airfield; close air support for TF Helmand⁷⁹

39 Squadron Royal Air Force (UK)—Kandahar Airfield; drone support for TF Helmand⁸⁰

Regional Command West / “Aosta” Mechanized Brigade (Brig. Gen. Michele Pellegrino, Italy)—Camp Arena, Herat; operating in Badghis, Farah, Ghor, and Herat Provinces⁸¹

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

Transition Support Unit Center / 183rd Parachute Regiment (Italy)—FOB La Marmora, Shindand; operating in southern Herat Province

Transition Support Unit South / 6th Bersaglieri Regiment (Italy)—Camp El Alamein, Farah; operating in western Farah Province

TF Fenice / 1st Aviation Regiment (Italy)—Herat Airfield; aviation support in western Afghanistan

TF Genio / 4th Engineer Regiment (Italy)—Camp Arena, Herat; engineer support for western Afghanistan

Major changes since October 1, 2013:

—Relief of 1st Mechanized Brigade by 7th Armoured Brigade as TF Helmand

—Relief of 555th Engineer Brigade by 130th Engineer Brigade

—Departure of 1st SFAB, 10th Mountain Division from RC-East

NOTES

¹The Royal Scots Dragoon Guards deployed as the first Kabul Support Unit in August 2013 (see regimental newsletter). Their exact chain of command is unclear.

²Established 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.

³CJSOTF-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.

⁴1-26 Infantry relieved 2-7 Infantry in June 2013. TF Balkh mixes conventional and special operations troops, and some of its companies are in southern, eastern, and western Afghanistan with other task forces. See battalion Facebook page.

⁵Established 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.

⁶The 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.)

⁷CJSOAC-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.

⁸9th 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.

⁹26th ERQS is an HH-60G rescue helicopter squadron.

¹⁰361st ERS is an MC-12 squadron. Kandahar Airfield web site.

¹¹This F-16 squadron deployed in April 2013.

- ¹² 772nd EAS is a C-130 squadron. Kandahar Airfield web site.
- ¹³ 4th ERS is an MC-12 squadron. Bagram Airfield web site.
- ¹⁴ 83rd ERQS is an HH-60G rescue helicopter squadron.
- ¹⁵ 62nd ERS is an MQ-1 and MQ-9 drone squadron. Bagram Airfield web site.
- ¹⁶ 74th EFS is an A-10C squadron that deployed in April 2013. See warthognews.blogspot.com.
- ¹⁷ 774th EAS is a C-130 squadron. Bagram Airfield web site.
- ¹⁸ VMAQ-3 relieved VMAQ-2 in early October 2012. It is an EA-6B squadron.
- ¹⁹ 18th MP Brigade relieved 333rd MP Brigade in July 2013. See brigade Facebook page.
- ²⁰ MCC(SW) Maria Yager, CJIATF-435, “Navy Military Police Battalion Changes Command, Swaps Crew,” May 13, 2011.
- ²¹ This battalion deployed in early 2012.
- ²² Lt. Gen. Ken Tovo took command of NTM-A/CSTC-A in April 2013. His deputy commander for operations is a Canadian officer.
- ²³ This Quebec-based battalion, likely from the Royal 22e Regiment, relieved 2 RCR in October 2012. See Operation Attention web site.
- ²⁴ 1-294 relieved 1-167 Infantry in early May 2013.
- ²⁵ V Corps relieved I Corps as the headquarters of the IJC in June 2012.
- ²⁶ 52nd Ordnance Group relieved the Navy’s EOD Group Two as CJTF Paladin in May 2013.
- ²⁷ 184th EOD Battalion relieved 84th EOD Battalion in March 2013.
- ²⁸ 242nd EOD Battalion relieved 3rd EOD Battalion in July 2013.
- ²⁹ JTF Sapper relieved JTF Triple Nickel in October 2013.
- ³⁰ 8th Engineer Battalion relieved 1st Engineer Battalion in June 2013. See battalion Facebook page.
- ³¹ 4th Engineer Battalion relieved 20th Engineer Battalion in June 2013. See JTF Triple Nickel newsletter.
- ³² 65th Engineer Battalion relieved 307th Engineer Battalion in October 2013.
- ³³ 489th Engineer Battalion relieved 92nd Engineer Battalion in October 2013. See battalion Facebook page.
- ³⁴ 122nd Engineer Battalion relieved 178th Engineer Battalion in May 2013.
- ³⁵ 878th Engineer Battalion relieved 120th Engineer Battalion in April 2013.
- ³⁶ NMCB-28 relieved NMCB-15 in September 2013.
- ³⁷ 133rd Engineer Battalion relieved 864th Engineer Battalion in October 2013. The battalion falls under the CENTCOM Materiel Recovery Element, not ISAF, but is listed here for clarity’s sake.
- ³⁸ ODIN stands for Observe-Detect-Identify-Neutralize. The current leadership of TF ODIN-E arrived in July 2013.
- ³⁹ TF ODIN-A operates the MQ-1C 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.
- ⁴⁰ TF Condor operates the RQ-5 UAV and a version of the C-12 airplane.
- ⁴¹ 2nd BCT, 1st Cavalry Division deployed in July 2013. See brigade Facebook page.
- ⁴² The current headquarters of RC-Capital arrived in November 2012. ISAF.NATO.int, “Subordinate Commands | RC-Capital.”
- ⁴³ 101st Airborne Division took over as RC-East in March 2013. See RC-East Facebook page.
- ⁴⁴ 4th SFAB, 101st Airborne relieved 3rd BCT, 101st Airborne in May 2013. See brigade Facebook page.
- ⁴⁵ 10th CAB relieved 101st 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 1-135 Aviation relieved 1-104 Aviation in August 2013.
- 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.
- ⁵⁰ 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 25th Air Cavalry Brigade relieved 12th Mechanized Brigade as TF White Eagle in May 2013.
- ⁵² The current headquarters of RC-North arrived in February 2013. ISAF.NATO.int, “Subordinate Commands | RC-North.”
- ⁵³ The Nordic-Baltic Transition Support Unit was established in March 2013 and comprises 450 Swedish, Norwegian, Finnish, and Latvian troops.
- ⁵⁴ The current leadership of PATF Kunduz, from Airborne Brigade 26, took over in January 2013. See RC-North Facebook page.
- ⁵⁵ See RC-North Facebook page.

⁵⁶ 6-4 Cavalry relieved 3-7 Cavalry in May 2013. See squadron Facebook page.

⁵⁷ 4th ID relieved 3rd ID as RC-South in early July 2013. See division Facebook page.

⁵⁸ 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.

⁵⁹ MTF-7 relieved MTF-6 in June 2013. See CTU Facebook page.

⁶⁰ 2nd Cavalry Regiment relieved 4th SBCT, 2nd ID in July 2013. See regimental Facebook page.

⁶¹ 1st Maneuver Battalion redeployed home to Romania in June 2013.

⁶² 1st CAB, 1st ID relieved 3rd CAB in August 2013.

⁶³ II MEF (Forward) took over as RC-Southwest in late February 2013.

⁶⁴ 3/7 Marines relieved 3/4 Marines in October 2013.

⁶⁵ 2/8 Marines relieved 3/9 in May 2013.

⁶⁶ 3rd CEB deployed in April 2013.

⁶⁷ The 31st and Batumi battalions relieved the 33rd and 42nd battalions in October 2013.

⁶⁸ 7th Armoured Brigade relieved 1st Mechanized Brigade in October 2013.

⁶⁹ 3 Mercians relieved 4 Rifles in early October 2013.

⁷⁰ 32 Engineer Regiment relieved 22 Engineer Regiment in October 2013.

⁷¹ 3 Regiment RHA relieved 1 Regiment RA in October 2013.

⁷² 2 RAR relieved 2 RTR in October 2013.

⁷³ 2nd MAW (Forward) relieved 3rd MAW (Forward) in late February 2013.

⁷⁴ VMA-311 is an AV-8B squadron that relieved VMA-231 in the spring of 2013.

⁷⁵ HMMH-462 is a CH-53E squadron that relieved HMMH-461 in August 2013.

⁷⁶ HMLA-167 is an AH-1W and UH-1Y squadron that relieved HMLA-169 in May 2013.

⁷⁷ VMM-165 is an MV-22B squadron that was in Afghanistan as of August 2013.

⁷⁸ JHF(A) is made up of British Army, Royal Air Force, and Royal Navy units. It operates a variety of attack and lift helicopters.

⁷⁹ 12 Squadron, a Tornado GR4 squadron, relieved 31 Squadron in July 2013.

⁸⁰ 39 Squadron is a Reaper UAV squadron.

⁸¹ The "Aosta" Brigade relieved the "Julia" Brigade as RC-West in September 2013.