

NATO takes full control of Afghanistan

NATO is assuming responsibility for security across the whole of Afghanistan, taking command in the east from U.S.-led coalition forces, the only area until now not under NATO command



NATO-led International Security Assistance Force (ISAF)

Regional command HQ

ISAF deployed since Dec 2003

Mazar-i-Sharif

NATO senior commander
General James Jones
(U.S.)



NORTH

Herat

WEST

ISAF deployed since Jun 2005

EAST

Kabul
ISAF HQ

Kandahar

SOUTH

ISAF deployed since Jul 2006

Troop-contributing nations
(as of Sep 16, excludes 18,000 troops in sector east)

UK 5,000

Germany 2,750

Canada 2,000

Netherlands 2,000

U.S. 1,300

Italy 1,600

France 1,000

Spain 600

Turkey 450

Romania 560

Others 2,855

Total 20,115

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100 miles
160km