

Loya Jirga debates U.S.-Afghan pact

Over 2,000 Afghan elders are debating a controversial security agreement with the U.S. to determine how many troops remain after coalition forces withdraw in 2014. The deal will remain in place until 2024

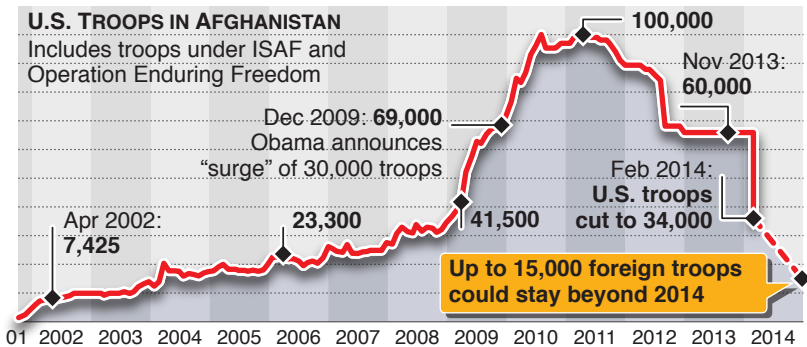
KEY POINTS

- U.S. forces remaining after 2014 reportedly to receive immunity from prosecution under Afghan laws
- U.S. has agreed not to conduct combat operations without consulting Afghan authorities
- U.S. troops should not target Afghan civilians but can enter Afghan homes to save Americans in danger
- Cooperation to strengthen Afghan defences against external threats



U.S. TROOPS IN AFGHANISTAN

Includes troops under ISAF and Operation Enduring Freedom



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