

OUR COMMITMENT

CRISIS RESPONSE



BUILD PARTNER CAPACITY



REGIONAL SECURITY & STABILIZATION PRESENCE



OUR PROGRAMS

GEORGIA DEPLOYMENT PROGRAM-ISAF



SP-MAGTF BLACK SEA ROTATIONAL FORCE



MARINE CORPS PREPOSITIONING PROGRAM - NORWAY



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“United States Marine Corps Forces, Europe is committed to building partner capacity and interoperability with partner nations through the use of rotational force and providing the premier crisis response force for U.S. European Command.”

WHO WE ARE...

Marine Corps Forces Europe leverages rotational expeditionary Marine Forces and prepositioned capabilities to reassure allies and maintain strategic access while supporting rapid response to crises and contingencies. Throughout 2012, MFE strengthened strategic partnerships, enhanced interoperability, and prepared forces for operations in Afghanistan through three critical programs: the Special Purpose Marine Air Ground Task Force—Black Sea Rotational Force, the Georgia Deployment Program for the International Security Assistance Force and the Marine Corps Prepositioning Program—Norway. Additionally, MFE's 2012 security cooperation activities focused on the Caucasus, Black Sea, Balkan, and Baltic regions, contributing to European stability and the forward defense of the United States.



WHERE WE ARE GOING...

Marine Corps Forces Europe will continue to pursue an innovative task-organized expeditionary force presence in the European Command theater to meet crisis and contingency response requirements. We will provide bilateral combined arms and amphibious training with key partners, including Israel, Turkey, France, and the United Kingdom. Establishing and exercising expeditionary presence supports important theater reassurance and deterrence objectives. Marine Forces Europe will continue to support Service-led efforts to transform the MCPP-N, while maintaining our commitment to the reinforcement of Norway.

OUR PRIMARY PROGRAMS

Marine Corps Prepositioning Program-Norway (MCPN):

- In 2012, the Marine Corps began transforming this program to an equipment set capable of supporting an ashore-based, balanced MAGTF in support of operations up to the mid-intensity conflict level.
- EUCOM has supported the MCPN transformational effort in coordination with the Norwegian Ministry of Defense, the Department of State, Joint Staff, Headquarters United States Marine Corps, and Marine Forces Europe to obtain the necessary Conventional Armed Forces in Europe Treaty entitlements to store USMC combat vehicles in Norway.
- MCPN also continues to support the reinforcement of Norway, reaffirming America's strategic relationship with this important partner.



Georgia Deployment Program—International Security Assistance Force (GDP-ISAF):

- Training the Georgian Army battalions for full-spectrum counterinsurgency operations supporting ISAF since 2009.
- Pre-deployment training venues have incorporated lessons learned from previous deployments.



OUR PRIMARY PROGRAMS (Cont.)

- Implemented a Security Force Assistance organizational model of excellence that continues to develop Georgian institutional capacity to conduct its own full-spectrum counterinsurgency training
- This program's success is clear, as deployed Georgian battalions currently constitute half of the ground combat power in ISAF's Regional Command-Southwest.
- Optimized training curriculum to include biometrics, counter-IED tactics, Pashtu language training, Blue Force Tracker, medical training, driver training, and improved squad and small unit level tactics.

Special Purpose Marine Air Ground Task Force—Black Sea Rotational Force (SPMAGTF-BSRF):

- Demonstrates the U.S. commitment and maintains strategic access across the Caucasus and Black Sea regions through theater security cooperation and security force assistance.
- Utilizes the U.S. Forward Operating Site (FOS) at Mihail Kogalniceanu Airfield in Romania as its staging base.
- Focuses on partner engagements that prepare and train these regional partners for out-of-area operations.
- In 2012, SPMAGTF-BSRF supported EUCOM crisis response requirements through its capabilities to conduct non-combat evacuation control center actions and support humanitarian assistance and disaster relief operations.
- Executed 97 engagement events with 20 countries (15 of which contribute forces to ISAF), participated in three Joints Chiefs of Staff (JCS) exercises, and conducted five community relations projects.

