

# Operation Athena Mission Closure

Ready at a Moment's Notice
The Logistics of Military and Emergency Preparedness

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# Agenda

- Mission
  - What
  - How
- Lessons Learned
- Logistics
  - time
  - space
  - numbers
  - art



## Scope of Work

Estimate 1600+ Seacans and 1000+ Vehicles

- Disposal of 261 structures, environmental remediation
- Repatriation of all data
- Closure of Detainee Transfer Facility
- Handover of Kandahar Airfield (KAF) signals infra
- Review and closure of all campaign contracts
- Completion of
  - Intra-Theatre Airlift (ITAS)
  - Commander KAF (COMKAF) manning establishment
  - Role 3 Hospital commitments
- Repatriation of all personnel
- Maintaining and enhancing Canada's and the CF's reputation

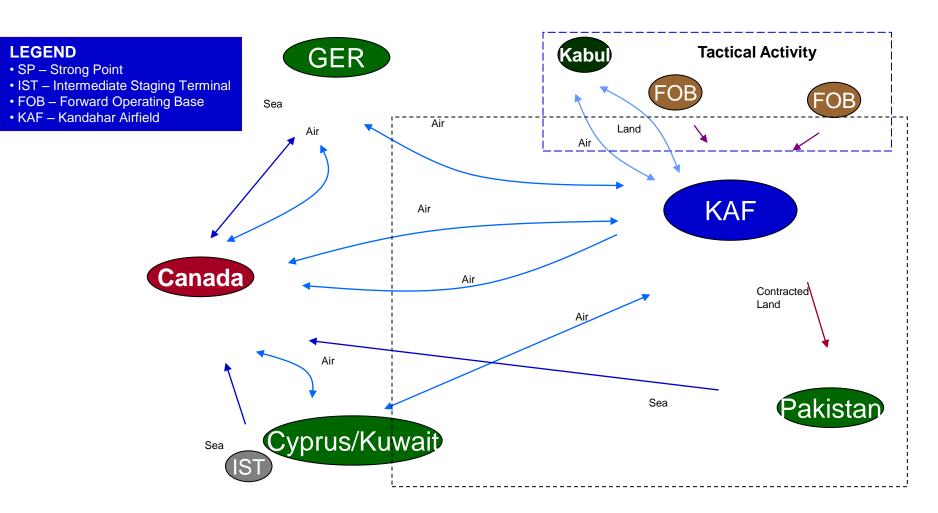


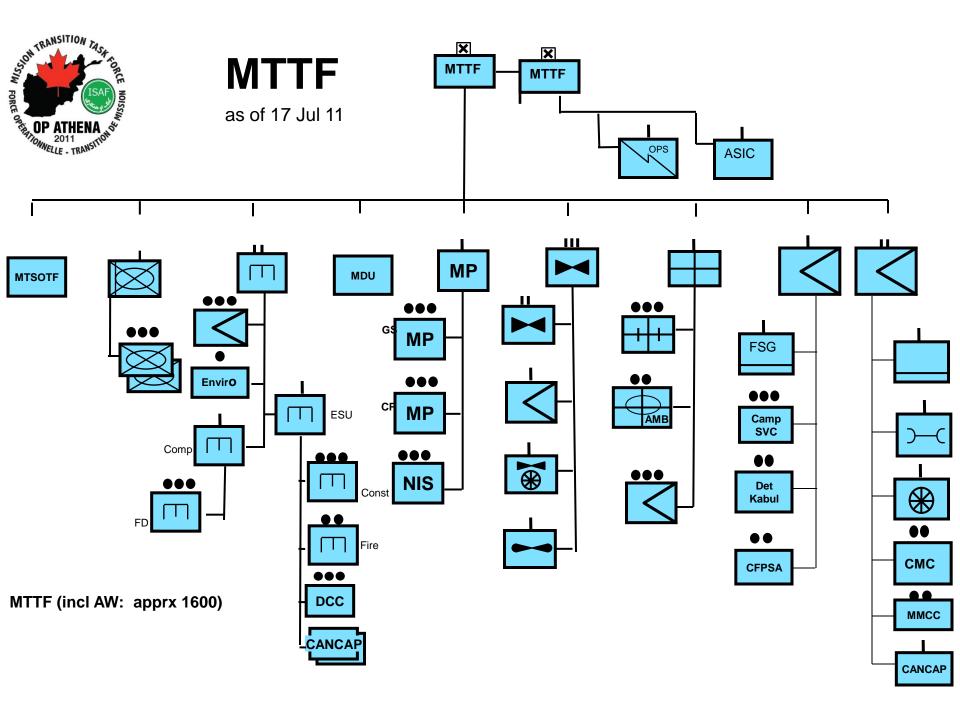
### Mission Statement

Task Force – Afghanistan Roto 11 will conduct mission closure of Operation ATHENA in order to enable the Canadian Forces to transition to subsequent operations as directed by the Government of CANADA.



## Lines of Communication







## Task Force Units

#### Established

- Headquarters
  - Commander and staff
  - Communications
- Force Protection
- Medical
- Military Police
- Intelligence
- Logistics Support
- Air Wing
  - Aviation (Helicopters)
  - Tactical Air Unit

#### Created for the Mission

- Mission Closure Unit
- Materiel Disposal Unit
- Quality AssuranceSection
- Mission Transition
   Special Operations
   Task Force
- Strategic Comms
  - Influence Activity
  - Public Affairs
  - Information Operations

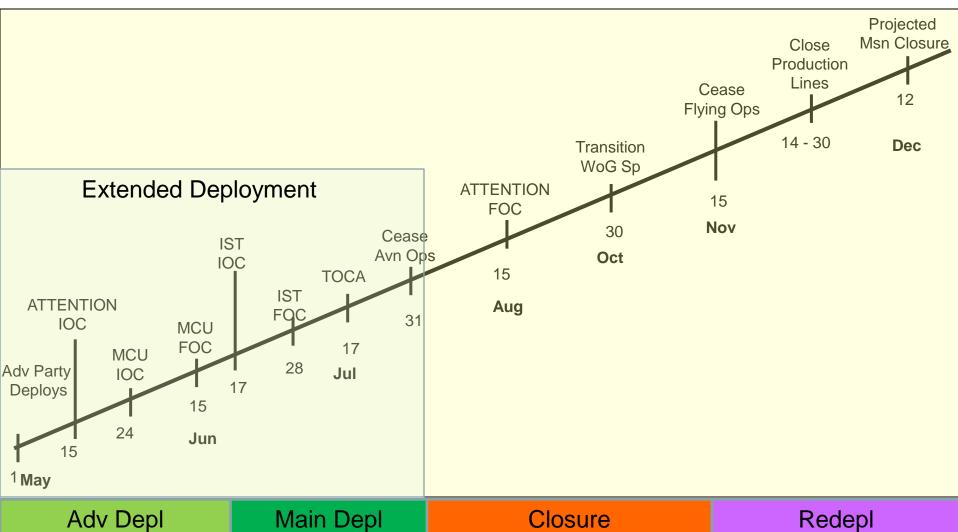








## **Key Dates**





LoO 1 – Op ATHENA

- Infrastructure
- Material
- Vehicles
- Movements
- IKM
- Contracts
- Communications
   Infrastructure Support
- Detainee Transfer Facility
- LoO 2 Support to Op ATTENTION
- LoO 3 Strategic Communications Maintain and enhance Canada's Reputation

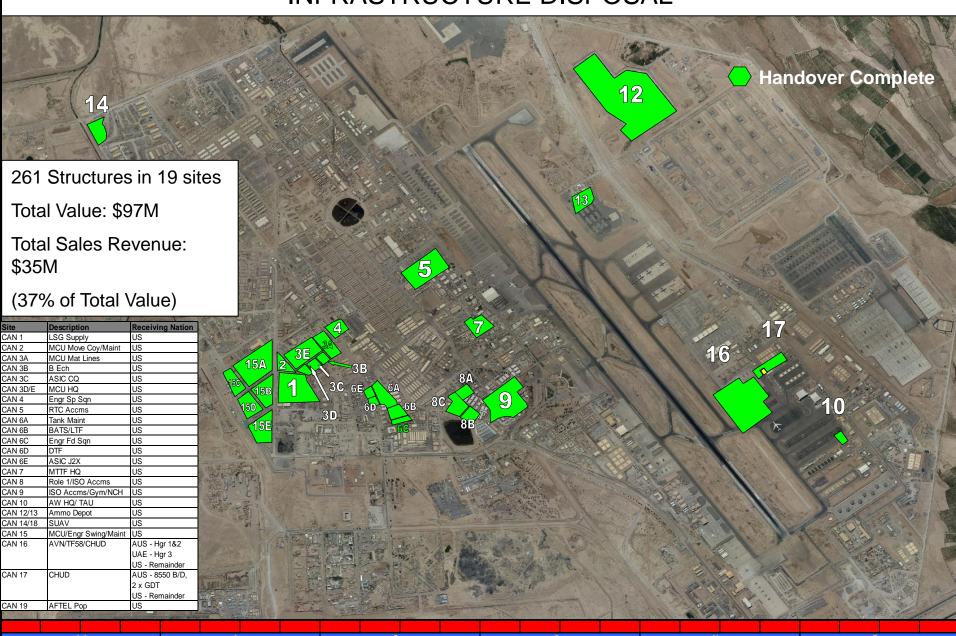
# LoO 2 Support to Op ATTENTION

- Vehicles, equipment and Ammunition
- Tech Assistance Visits (Fire Marshall, CIS, Constr Engr, Med, Intelligence and MP/Close Protection)
- Fin Support
- General Support
- Sustainment and retrograde
- CC130 support for repatriation
- Personnel deployment and redeployment support

Size of Canadian Footprint at Kandahar Airfield 5.5 Million sq ft or 127 acres or 51 Hectares

Dimension de l'emplacement occupé par le Canada à l'aérodrome de Kandahar 5,5 millions pi<sup>2</sup> ou 127 acres ou 51 hectares

#### INFRASTRUCTURE DISPOSAL









### **ENVIRONMENTAL REMEDIATION**



Remediation of >7000m³ hydrocarbon contaminated soil to Canadian Industrial Site Standards (<260 ppm). Remediation is 100% complete.





Overall number of sea-cans processed (includes 368 serviceable sold and 239 unserviceable sold)

2 700 total

Nombre total de conteneurs maritimes traités (dont 368 en bon état vendus et 239 hors service vendus)



















#### **Tonnes of Ammunition shipped back to Canada**

450 tonnes

Tonnes de munitions expédiées au Canada





#### Overall number of vehicles processed

1030

**Vehicles 16 airframes / Véhicules 16 avions** 

Nombre total de véhicules traités



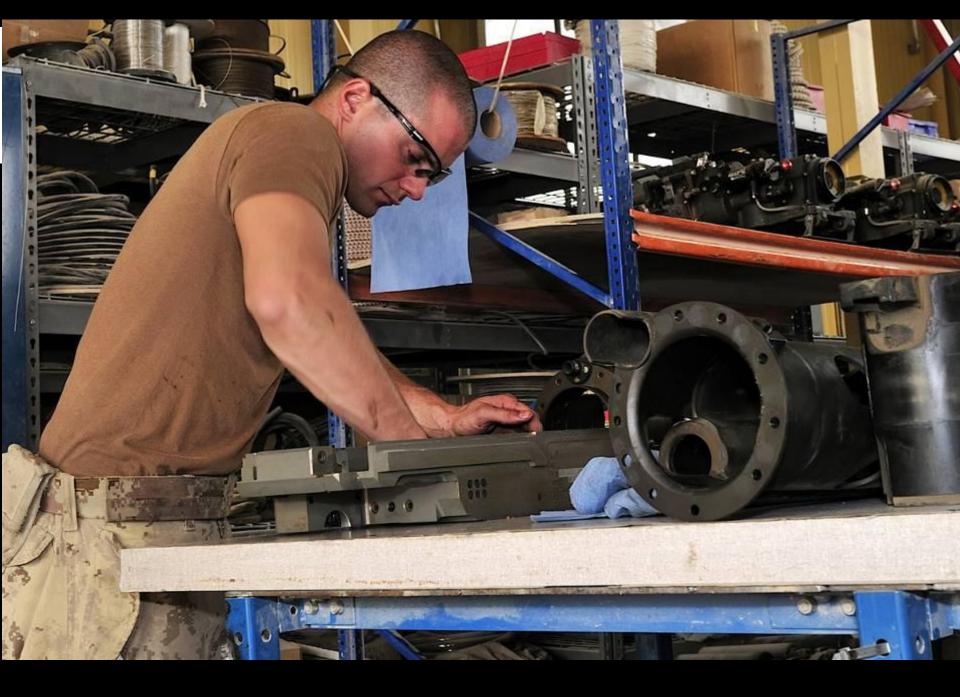
















## Airflow/Movements

## **Mov Organizations**

- J3 Movements
- MovementsCompany
- Air ComponentCommander
- Strategic AirliftAdviser Officers(SALO)
- Combined AirOperations Centre
- Eindhoven
- Base OperationsCentre
- KAIA(N)

#### Issues

- Maximum Payload Limit
- Ammunition
- Tanks
- Failure to process
   Diplomatic
   overflight
   clearances



















## C 177 Globemaster III

#### **Specifications**

- Service Life of 40 years+
- Range 8,700kms empty, but unlimited distance due to inflight refuelling capability
- Up to 170,000 lbs (85 tonnes) can be carried
- 54 passengers and an additional 135 on installed seats can be transported
- Min runway requirement for max take-off weight is 2,359m, and it can land on an improvised runway as short as 1,067m



#### **Operations**

- Canada`s four CC 177 Globemaster III`s were delivered in 2007-08
- Wide range of Strategic and Tactical msns globally, from support to Op ATHENA to delivery of Humanitarian Assistance to Jamaica after Hurricane Dean
- Pilots can operate using night-vision goggles, giving pilots a tactical advantage in a hostile theatre
- C177 can land on dry or wet gravel runways, as well as snow and ice





## **Antonov 124**

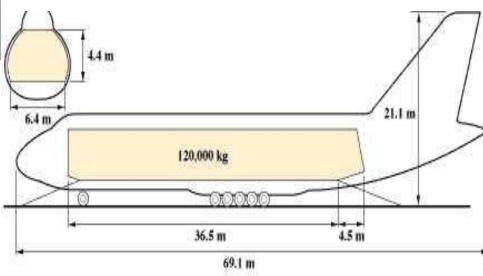


#### **Operations**

- Commercial operations began in Jan 1986
- Russia is the only nation that is a military operator of the AN 124 (22 procured), NATO uses lease agreements for use
- Civil operators of the AN 124 are Russia, Libya, Ukraine and the UAE (28 in use)
- Designed to operate from unprepared fields
- Landing gear can handle rough ground from hard packed snow to ice-covered swampland

#### **Specifications**

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Largest operating cargo aircraft
- Service Life of 24,000 40,000hrs, depending on retrofitting
- Range 15,000kms empty, 4,300kms full
- Up to 250, 000 lbs (130 tonnes) can be carried
- 88 passengers and an additional 350 on palletized seats can be transported
- Min runway requirement for max take-off weight is 3,000m
- Aircraft can be loaded and unloaded independent of ground facilities due to onboard handling eqpt



## Number of aircraft loads by CC-177

245

Nombre de charges d'aéronef transportées par le CC177

## Number of aircraft loads by Antonov

184

Nombre de charges d'aéronef transportées par l'Antonov

## Number of aircraft loads sent thru Cyprus

167

Nombre de charges d'aéronef en transit par Chypre

## Number of aircraft loads sent thru Kuwait

179

Nombre de charges d'aéronef en transit par le Koweït









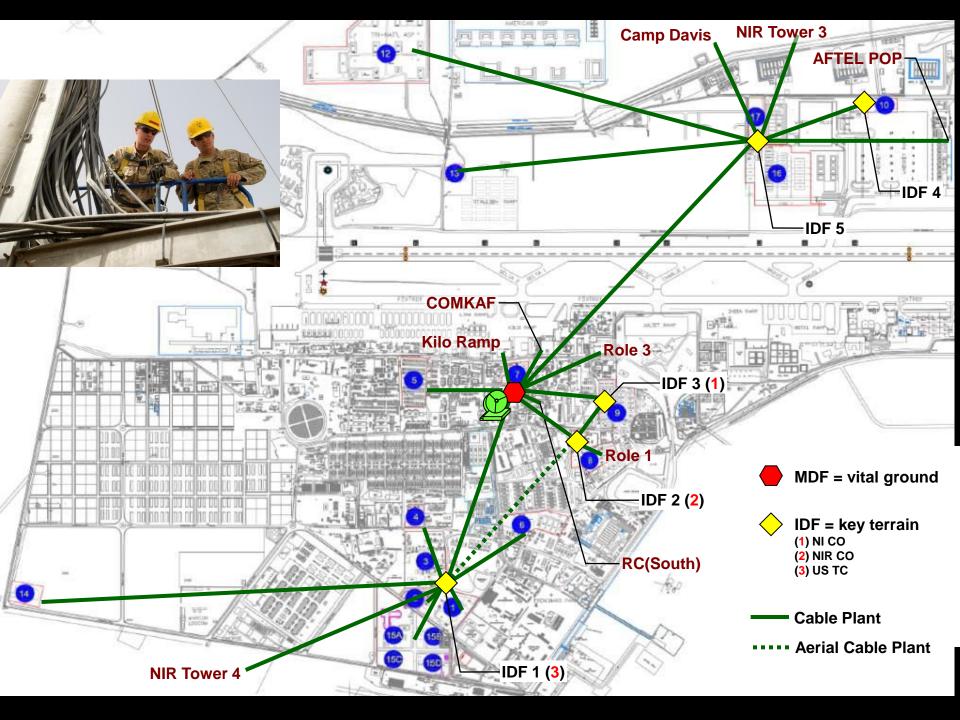




## **IKM**

- Common Operation Picture COP
  - Now residing on a server in Ottawa
  - Data input from Canadian Forces Corporate Systems
  - Visibility similar to "Blue Force Tracker"
- DATA/File Transfer
  - Reviewed, packaged, stored, returned to Canada and is searchable:
  - 4 escorted flights (30 Sep, 25 Oct, 25 Nov, and 8 Dec)
  - 150 TB electronic information
  - 60 Tonnes paper files





Amount of cable (Copper, fibre, and tactical wires) installed and maintained by Canada since the first line crew arrived in Kandahar in 2002.

# 7 000 km

Quantité de câble (cuivre, fibre, tactique) posé et entretenu par le Canada depuis l'arrivée de l'équipe de première ligne à Kandahar, en 2002.

DISPOSED MATERIEL VALUE \$ 34,165,515 (2.4%)

REVENUE (ACSA) \$ 2,644,739

REVENUE (SALES) \$ 508,732

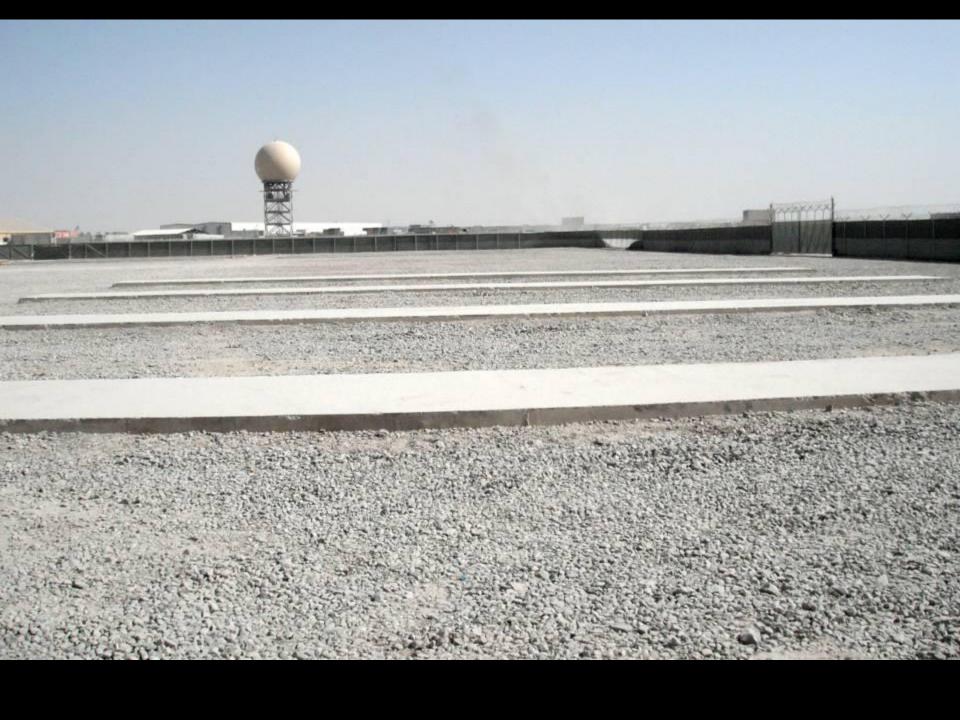
TOTAL REVENUE \$ 3,153,471

COST TO PROCESS SALES \$ 635,470

TRUE REVENUE \$2,500,001 (7.3%)











## LoO 3 StratCom

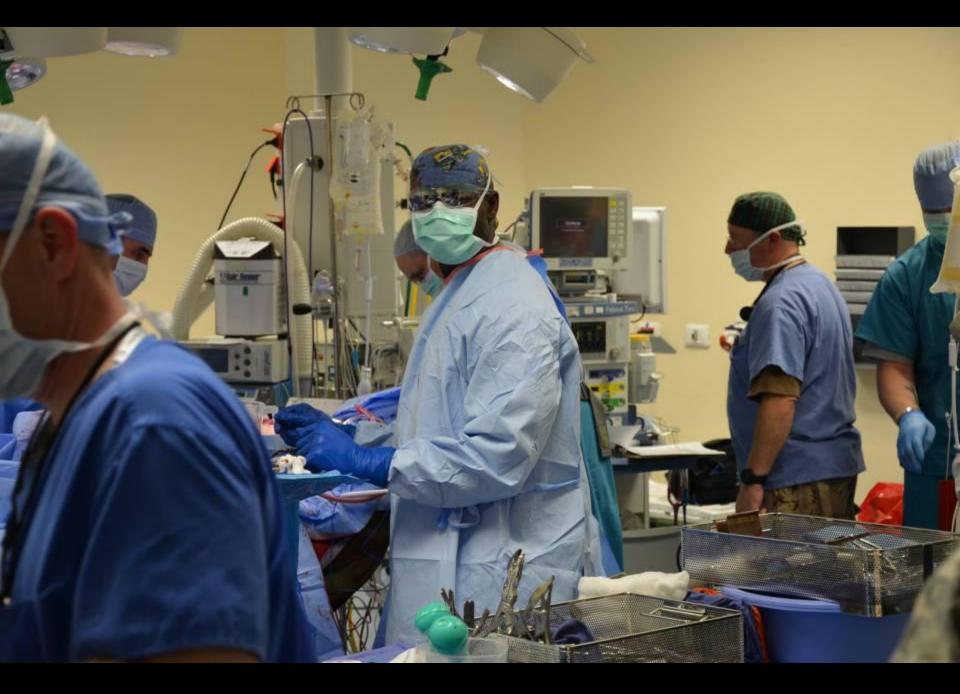
- The StratCom mission was to conduct StratCom in order to maintain and enhance Canada's Legacy in Afghanistan
  - Public Affairs informing Canadians and others in a media constrained environment
  - Information Activities critical mission enabler facilitating relations with allies and donation/gratuitous transfers to allies and Afghans
  - Lessons Learned late addition that captured lessons in a deliberate fashion and communicated via Tactical Lessons Reports, End Of Tour Report and "Mission Glossy Book"





























## **Charity Fundraising**

(e.g. Army Run, Soldier On, Run for the Cure, Tim Hortons Child Foundation, Terry Fox Run)

\$155,000

## Campagne de financement

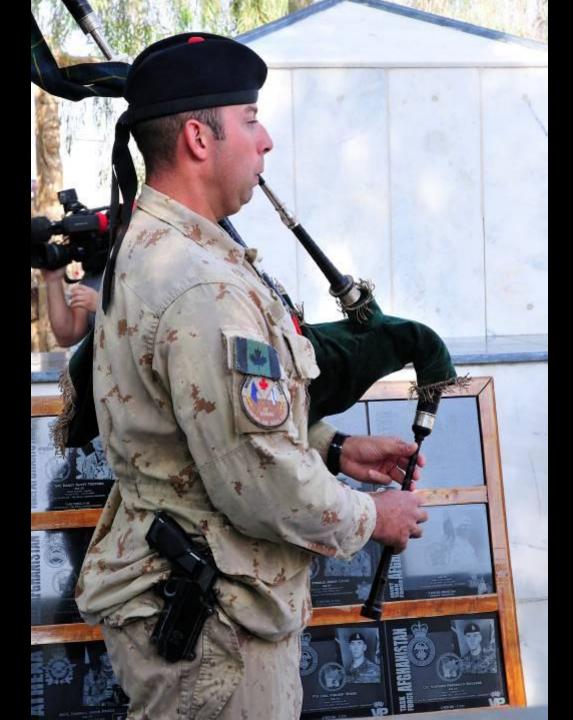
(p. ex., Course de l'Armée, Sans limites, Course à la vie, Fondation Tim Hortons pour les enfants, Course Terry Fox)































## Lessons Learned

- Early identification of command and planning team
- Detailed Planning, identification of priorities and project management (MMIB and MIDD)
- Force Structure
  - MDU, MCU, Customs team, Liaison teams, QA cell, Strat Comms
- Purpose built training
- Common Operating Picture (COP)

- Infrastructure Divestment and Footprint Reduction
- Strategic
   Communications
- You need a lot of organized labour
- We're pretty good at the sustainment function

Deploying over 3000 of the best trained, led and equipped troops to the far end of the world every six months, and sustaining them indefinitely, while occasionally starting other missions (such as Kabul and Libya) and running Intermediate Staging Terminals (ISTs)



## Logistics

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