LEVERAGING EXTERNAL PARTNERS IN AFRICA’s SECURITY SECTOR

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STRATEGIC OVERVIEW: STABILIZING THE NEIGHBOURHOOD

- THE MEDITERRANEAN, STRATEGIC FRONT
- EASTERN BORDERS
- EUROPEAN VISION, SHARED RISKS AND THREATS
- SAHELIAN AND SUBSAHARAN AFRICA
1/ The EU, a global partner

2/ France: a renewed approach

3/ Innovative solutions to confront new threats
EU CSDP Partnerships
The African Union

- Integral part of the EU’s global strategy
- The EU supports the AU in facilitating peacekeeping in Africa (APF) with over 2 billion € invested since 2014
  - APF strengthens AU/REC peacekeeping and security operations:
    1. Peacekeeping operations conducted by Africa (Somalia, RCA, Guinea-Bissau, Mali)
    2. AU/REC African peace and security architecture (initiatives financed: continental rapid alert system, African Force in waiting, Panel of the Wise)
    3. AU/REC emergency intervention mechanism (mediation, diplomacy, deployment preparation – i.e., IGAD verification and monitoring mechanism in South Sudan)
32 Operations and Missions in 12 years

- 11 military
- 20+1* Civilian

17 Current operations and missions

- 6 military
- 10+1* civilian
The European Union’s “Global Approach” in the Horn of Africa

Development aid and humanitarian aid from the European Union: >1 billion euros (from 2011 to 2015)

AMISOM (AU mission, EU financing)

EU mission for EUCAPI NESTOR capacity building

Maritime operation EU NAVFOR/ATALANTE

EU training mission in Somalia
EU coordination in counter-terrorism efforts

EU principal coordinator in the Sahel

EU Special Representative

EDF: European Development Fund
FPI: Foreign Policy Instrument
IFS: Stability Instrument
Activities:
- Training and advising Malian armed forces
- Coordination with MINUSMA for inclusive rebuilding of the Malian armed forces

Success: 8 battalions formed + 5 reformed (8,000 people 2/3 of the Malian armed forces)

Mission personnel: 578
Participation: 23 EU member states + 4 states
"The Sahel, from Mauritania to the Horn of Africa, together with part of sub-Saharan Africa, are also regions of priority interest for France due to a common history, the presence of French nationals, the issues at stake and the threats confronting them."

"There is a need to prepare the African forces to respond to all threats. France proposes a new partnership in terms of military cooperation, with priorities – advice, training, equipment, intelligence – that will give the African armies the capabilities to allow them to cope."

Primary objective in France’s cooperation and development policy:

Reinforcement of African Peace and Security Architecture through:

- Operational support of the African forces: sustain & support the AU and the regional HQs of ECOWAS and ECCAS
- Training of national contingent: contributes to train 20,000 African soldiers per year.
NATIONAL SCHOOLS WITH REGIONAL ORIENTATION

Regionally Oriented National Schools (ENVR)

Sollicitation → Appropriation → Joint Commitment → Multilateralisation

- 16 schools
- 79 different training programmes
- 2,500 interns/year
- 21,183 students trained since 2000
- 45 French cooperation workers in the 16 schools

- MALI: 1 School
  - Peacekeeping training (EMP/Bamako)
  - Administration (EMA/Bamako)

- SENEGAL: 2 Schools
  - Staff officer training (CAOG/Ouakam)
  - Infantry (EIA/Thiès)

- BURKINA FASO: 2 Schools
  - Logistic (EMTO/Ouagadougou)
  - Civil protection (ISEPC/Ouagadougou)

- GHANA: 1 School
  - KAIPTC Staff officer training

- BENIN: 1 School
  - Mine clearance (CPADD/Ouidah)

- TOGO: 1 School
  - Health (ESSAL/Łomé)

- NIGER: 1 School
  - Health (EPPAN/Niamey)

- CAMEROON: 3 Schools
  - Staff officer training (CSID/Yaoundé)
  - Law and Order (CPTMO/Awé)
  - Aeronautics (PANVR/Garoua)

- EQUATORIAL GUINEA: 1 School
  - Maritime safety (EN/Bata)

- GABON: 2 Schools
  - Staff officer training (EEML/Libreville)
  - Health (EASSML/Melen)

- CONGO BRAZZAVILLE: 1 School
  - Construction engineering (EGT/Brazzaville)
SUPPORT FOR CROSSBORDER COOPERATION IN THE SAHEL

THE LIPTAKO-GOURMA REGION AND FSP ACTS

Liptako – Gourma Region
Current ALG intervention area
FSP ACTS ground experiment area
Operational engagement alongside G5 Sahel

- 3,500 soldiers
- 200 Armored Vhl
- 200 Log Vhl
- 20 Helicopters
- 6 Fighters
- 4 UAVs

MINUSMA
- 8,970 soldiers
- 1,400 policemen

EUTM Mali
- 540 soldiers (62 French)

Liaison and Operational Assistance Detachment (DLAO)
THE FIGHT AGAINST BOKO HARAM

- **THE MNJTF**
- **EU ACTION AND THE ROLE OF THE AU**
- **THE ROLE OF NATIONAL PARTNERS**