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)
CSDP MISSIONS AND OPERATIONS

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 EUCAP 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

DEVCO/EDF
FPI/IFS
ECHO

EU’s Regional Approach in the Sahel

EU strategy for development and security in the Sahel  March 2011

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.
FRENCH CONTINENTAL PRESENCE

11 Defense agreements
16 Cooperation agreements
Sovereignty Force
French pre-deployed Forces
Regionally-oriented schools
Defense Attaché (31 / 52)
Regionally Oriented National Schools (ENVR)

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

Country and Training Programs:
- **Mali**: 1 School
  - Peacekeeping training (EMP/Bamako)
  - Administration (EMA/Bamako)
- **Niger**: 1 School
  - Health (EPPAN/Niamey)
- **Senegal**: 2 Schools
  - Staff officer training (GAOG/Quakam)
  - Infantry (EIA/Thiès)
- **Burkina Faso**: 2 Schools
  - Logistic (EMTO/Ouagadougou)
  - Civil protection (ISEPC/Ouagadougou)
- **Ghana**: 1 School
  - KAIPTC Staff officer training
- **Togo**: 1 School
  - Health (ESSAL/Lomé)
- **Benin**: 1 School
  - Mine clearance (CPADD/Ouidah)
- **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/Meiën)
- **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

- **MINUSMA**
  - 8,970 soldiers
  - 1,400 policemen

- **EUTM Mali**
  - 540 soldiers (62 French)

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

- **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