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FACTS & FIGURES: AFGHAN NATIONAL ARMY June 2010

Founded: 2002

Strength: 119,388 troops (as of 19 May 10)

Target Strength: 171,600 (by October 2011)

<u>Current performance levels based upon Capability Milestones (CM) (as of 11 Apr 10):</u>

CM-1 Capable of planning and executing operations at Battalion level with no external support:

21 ANA Kandaks (battalions),

2 Corps Headquarters: (203 in Gardez and

209 in Mazar-e-Sharif),

6 Brigade Headquarters,

6 Garrison Support Units,

CM-2 Capable of leading operations with ISAF support: 48 units

CM-3 Capable of participating in operations with ISAF lead: 42 units

Afghan National Army Air Corps (ANAAC)

Founded: June 2008

<u>Current Strength</u>: 2,876 men and women, plus 34 rotary-wing and 12 fixed-wing aircraft (25x Mi-17, 9x Mi-35, 5x AN-32, 1x AN-26, 3x C-27 and 3x L-39)

<u>Target Strength</u>: 8,000+ personnel and 152 rotary and fixed-wing aircraft by December 2016

<u>Capacity</u>: Flew 90% of ANA air support missions in 2009

Footage of the ANAAC's first

(compared to 10% in mid-2008).

NATO training efforts in Afghanistan focus on the need to significantly increase the capacity of Afghan security forces in order to hand over gradually lead responsibility for security to the

Footage of the ANAAC's first mission on 17 June 2008 available at:

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order to hand over gradually lead responsibility for security to the Afghans. In Regional Command-Capital, since 28 August 2008, the Afghan National Security Forces have gradually taken over the lead responsibility for security in Kabul province. This process is led by the Afghan Ministry of Interior and supported by the Ministry of Defence and ISAF.

