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**NATO's OPERATIONAL MENTOR AND LIAISON TEAMS (OMLTs)
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- The Operational Mentor and Liaison Team (OMLT) programme is an important part of NATO-ISAF's contribution towards the development of the Afghan National Army (ANA).
- OMLTs provide training and mentoring to the ANA. They also serve as a liaison capability between ANA and ISAF forces, co-ordinating the planning of operations and ensuring that the ANA units receive necessary enabling support (including close air support, casualty and medical evacuation).
- OMLTs consist of 11-28 personnel (depending on the type and function of the ANA unit with which it is partnered) from one or several countries. Each OMLT is normally deployed with an Afghan unit for a minimum period of six months.
- There are currently 143 training teams operating in all six regions of Afghanistan, with 25 additional OMLTs expected in the coming months. Approximately 12 more OMLTs are required to complete fielding of the 134,000 strong ANA by October 2010.
- In January 2010, the Joint Coordination and Monitoring Board (JCMB) authorised the expansion of the ANA from 134,000 to 171,600 force level by October 2011. The OMLT requirements to support this growth are under analysis.

OMLT Contributing Nations:

Currently deployed in Afghanistan:

<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Australia: 2• Belgium: 1• Bulgaria: 1• Canada: 6• Croatia: 3• Denmark: 1• France: 6• Germany: 6• Hungary: 1• Italy: 7• Latvia: 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Netherlands: 3• Norway: 1• Poland: 4• Portugal: 2• Romania: 3• Spain: 2• Sweden: 1• Turkey: 5• United Kingdom: 7• United States: 76 (ETTs)• Multinational: 4
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