

Afghanistan National Army (ANA) Trust Fund

The NATO-run Afghanistan National Army (ANA) Trust Fund is one of three funding streams used by the International Community to channel its financial support to Afghanistan's security forces and institutions. The other two are the Law and Order Trust Fund for Afghanistan (LOTFA), administered by the United Nations Development Programme, and the United States Afghanistan Security Forces Fund (ASFF). LOTFA is used to pay the salaries of police and justice personnel and to build the capacity of the Ministry of the Interior. The ASFF is subject to a US-Afghan bilateral agreement and pays for equipping and running Afghanistan's security forces.

The Afghanistan National Army (ANA) Trust Fund was created in 2007 to provide a mechanism for ISAF nations to support the transportation and installation of equipment donated by ISAF nations, to purchase equipment and services for ANA engineering projects, and to support in and out-of-country training. Over time, the scope of the ANA Trust Fund was gradually expanded to also support the sustainment of the ANA and to support literacy and professional military education.

As agreed at the NATO Summit in Chicago in May 2012, the ANA Trust Fund has been adapted to make it more flexible, transparent, accountable and cost effective, and to include measures against corruption. In Chicago, NATO Allies and ISAF nations reaffirmed their strong commitment to support the training, equipping, financing and capability development of the Afghan National Defence and Security Forces beyond 2014. They agreed that, as part of the wider International Community, and building upon existing mechanisms, they would play their part in developing appropriate, coherent and effective funding mechanisms and expenditures arrangements for all strands of the Afghan National Defence and Security Forces (ANDSF). Such mechanisms would have to be flexible, transparent, accountable and cost effective and would need to include measures against corruption.

The provisions of the adapted ANA Trust Fund post-2014 were agreed in December 2013. They stipulate that:

- The adapted ANA Trust Fund will continue to focus its activities on the Afghan National Army, while retaining the existing flexibility to provide support to other elements of the Afghan National Defence and Security Forces as necessary.
- Funds will be allocated based on the Afghan National Defence and Security Forces requirements plan, which the Afghan authorities will develop.
- The use of the adapted ANA Trust Fund will be regulated by a yearly Implementation Plan which will include estimated costs, timelines and performance objectives.
- The management and implementation of the adapted ANA Trust Fund will be subject to annual audit.
- An ANA Trust Fund Board monitors the ANA Trust Fund and reviews its cost effectiveness, financial integrity and accountability.

The Board is composed of national representatives of donor nations and the Trust Fund manager. The ANA Trust Fund Board had its inaugural meeting on 1 September 2014 and has been meeting in-theatre and at the NATO Headquarters regularly since then. The latest plenary meeting of the Board took place in Brussels on the 2nd of May 2017. The lead responsibility for sustaining the Afghan National Defence and Security Forces remains with the Afghan government. They have agreed to provide at least 500 million U.S. dollars per year at the start, with that contribution increasing steadily over time. The ANA Trust Fund is open for contributions by the broader International Community.

At the NATO Summit in Warsaw in July 2016, Allies and Partners agreed to continue their financial support for the sustainment of the ANDSF until 2020.

As of June 2017, total contributions made to the Fund amount to nearly 2 billion U.S. dollars.

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Status of Contributions Made
As of end of June 2017
(All amounts in US dollars - rounded figures)

Australia	440,000,000
Azerbaijan	1,611,000
Belgium	45,000,000
Bulgaria	714,000
Canada	105,110,000
Czech Republic	1,900,000
Denmark	27,068,000
Estonia	1,298,000
Finland	12,764,000
Georgia	1,500,000
Germany	535,048,000
Hungary	1,200,000
Italy	178,629,000
Japan	55,301,000
Kazakhstan	2,000,000
Latvia	1,500,000
Lithuania	1,552,000
Luxembourg	39,894,000
Montenegro	1,200,000
Netherlands	109,198,000
Norway	87,507,000
Portugal	2,262,000
Romania	971,000
Slovakia	1,500,000
Slovenia	1,807,000
South Korea	200,000,000
Spain	5,427,000
Sweden	12,240,000
Switzerland	186,000
The Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia*	1,000
Turkey	55,983,000
United Arab Emirates	10,000,000
United Kingdom	8,811,000
Total	1,954,765,000

Numbers are rounded up to the nearest 000 (for ease of reference). Some Allies and Partners have made additional pledges. Once these are actually released to the Fund, they will be reflected above.

* Turkey recognizes the Republic of Macedonia with its constitutional name.

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