

**Statement of the Strategic International Afghan National Police (ANP) Development Symposium
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Afghan National Police: Reinforcing Success

We, the participants of the Strategic International ANP Development Symposium:

- Acknowledge the significant progress achieved so far in developing the ANP in the face of a dynamic security situation;
- Recognize that significant development challenges remain ahead and we must accelerate our efforts;
- Recognize the need to balance the immediate security imperatives with the enduring requirements for a responsive, accountable and capable policing institution that can support and sustain the rule of law in Afghanistan.

We acknowledge the requirement for sufficient qualified trainers, mentors and advisors in order to sustain momentum, build the policing system and set the conditions for transition to Afghan led policing. We urge coalition nations to resource the established critical requirement to reinforce success, recognizing that failure to do so might jeopardise the overall mission.

We agree on the development of the ANP National Police Strategy as an adaptive framework for development that continually sets conditions for progress and transition as regional and sub-regional security improves. The strategy addresses the need for a police force that can protect and serve the Afghan population as a manifestation of legitimate governance.

We support the evolution of the ANP towards a sustainable, credible and accountable law enforcement force capable of providing policing services within a wider Afghan rule of law framework to the Afghan community.

We are promoting a continually improving unity of effort and a commitment to coordinate, collaborate and cooperate across all stakeholders. We fully support the Afghan MoI and its partners in enabling the growth and professionalization of the ANP.

The purpose of our effort is to:

- Preserve the significant progress achieved to date and maintain momentum;
- Accelerate progress through the challenges of the current security environment;
- Help enable irreversible transition to full Afghan security responsibility and leadership by the end of 2014 as stated at the Lisbon Summit;
- In parallel and beyond that, working to achieve a steady state where the ANP, under guidance of an accountable, capable interior ministry is a professional, self-sustaining institution that is an integral part of the security and justice system of Afghanistan.