

**TURKISH CONTRIBUTIONS TO SECURITY, STABILITY AND DEVELOPMENT**

IRAQ:

Security

- A strong contingent of Turkish Armed Forces made available for Operation in Iraq by motion dated 20 March 2003. (Not implemented due to lack of concurrence with the US)
- Availability of Incirlik Air Base as main logistical support route for US forces.
- Transportation of US equipment from Iraq through Turkey.
- Turkey takes part in the NATO Training Mission in Iraq, NTM-I. (89 Iraqi military personnel attended courses in Turkey. 4 Turkish officers serving at NTM-I Headquarters in Baghdad).
- Signing of a protocol on security cooperation between the Ministries of Interior.
- Turkey is a main corridor the provision of logistical requirements of the Coalition Forces. Incirlik Air Base has become a hub in this sense.

Development

- There is currently only one border gate (Habur) between Turkey and Iraq, which allows a maximum of 4.000 daily truck passages. This is the main land transport route, which is utilized for the transfer of vital goods and services to Iraq. Turkey proposed opening of new border gates, to overcome this limitation. As a result of ongoing talks, it was decided to improve Rabia gate, as a second gate to pass Iraq via Syria.
- Turkey is the main provider for Iraq's refined oil product needs. In 2005, 50% of Iraq's and 90% of northern Iraq's refined oil products were supplied through Turkey.
- Total oil products imported by Iraq through Turkish companies between January 2003 and January 2007 is over 10 million tons.
- Turkey provides 275 mw/h electricity to Iraq. Plans are underway to increase this to 1200 mw/h, one fourth of Iraq's entire electricity requirement.
- Turkey donated agricultural supplies in the value of 100.000 USD to Iraq on May 2006.
- By the beginning of 2008, Kirkuk-Yumurtalik oil pipeline has become operational and an average of 350.000 barrels of oil started to be transported daily.

Health:

- Turkey provided 900 kg. chlorine tablets for epidemic cholera in Iraq, moreover, medical and food materials prepared by TİKA weighted at 105 tons were sent to Kirkuk through Turkish Red Crescent Society.
- Reconstruction of the Razi Hospital and renewal of health facilities in various Iraqi cities.

Education:

- Summer school scholarships granted to 30 university students

Reconstruction and Humanitarian Aid:

- Turkey pledged 50 million dollars to assist Iraq's reconstruction during the 2003 August Madrid Donors Conference. Over 20% of this pledge has been materialized/earmarked.
- In response to UN's urgent appeal after the secession of the military operations, Turkey donated 1 million dollars.
- Turkey donated 1.2 million dollars to Iraq's Reconstruction Fund (IRFFI) and hosted IRFFI's 5<sup>th</sup> Donors Conference in Istanbul in March 2007. Turkey increased its contribution to 10 million USD and holds a seat in the Donors Committee.
- Humanitarian aid sent to Iraq from Turkey since 2003 exceeds 5.4 million dollars.
- Turkish companies play a leading role in the reconstruction of Iraq. Total worth of works undertaken by Turkish companies since the regime change exceeds 4 billion dollars.
- A Turkish company has undertaken the restoration of Askeriye Tomb which is sacred to Shiites. This tomb has suffered two terrorist attacks in 2006 and 2007.
- A contribution in the amount of 500.000 USD is realized to the United Nations High Commission for Refugees (UNHCR) for Iraqi refugees in Syria.
- Turkey committed itself to donate 2.5 million USD during the UNHCR Conference in Geneva on 17-18 April 2007 for the improvement of living conditions of Iraqi refugees in Jordan and Syria. This amount was transferred.

Civil and Military Capacity Building

- 30 students of the Baghdad University, department of Turkish Language and Literature, were hosted in Turkey for summer school in Erciyes University on July and August 2007 to complete their missing academic courses in 2007.
- 30 Iraqi Turcoman teachers attended training courses on "Turkish education, Turkish culture and national education system" from 30<sup>th</sup> of July to 14<sup>th</sup> September 2007 organized by the Ministry of Education.
- A delegation from Mosul University visited Turkey on 11-15 December 2007 upon the invitation of Bilkent and TOBB Universities. During the visit, a Memorandum of Understanding was signed between Bilkent University and Mosul University for academic cooperation in 2008. In this framework both universities will execute academic communication through video conference by the equipments donated by Bilkent University.
- 15 personnel of the Iraqi Health Ministry attended the courses on education of "Mother's Milk and Nutrition Consultancy, Operator of Neonatal Resuscitation, Family Planning Consultancy and Educational Skills", organized by the Ministry of Health and supported by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, on 2-19 May 2008, in Ankara.
- Training programs for Iraqi diplomats at Turkish Ministry of Foreign Affairs Academy (63 Iraqi diplomats trained this far).

- Proposal to train Iraqi Security Forces (ISF-Iraqi Army and Police) in Turkey, proposal to assist the restructuring of ISF.

Politics:

- Giving full support for efforts towards national reconciliation (In this context, bringing together the Sunni Arab party representatives and US Ambassador in Istanbul in December 2005. This meeting is regarded as a vital element of Sunni Arab participation in the political process).
- Training programs for Iraq's political parties in Turkey which aimed at creating an atmosphere conducive to improve democracy and good-governance (Over 500 Iraqi politicians from all ethnic and sectarian backgrounds visited Turkey within this framework).
- Turkey, in co-operation with the UNAMI (United Nations Assistance Mission in Iraq), hosted a conference on Iraq's constitution in July 2006 in Istanbul. All political parties in Iraq were present.
- Turkey incepted the Neighboring Countries Process, an initiative which brings together Iraq and its neighbors for Ministerial consultations. Ten official, three unofficial meetings of Foreign Ministers took place. Turkey hosted two of these. Neighboring Countries Process evolved into Enlarged Ministerial of Neighboring Countries Meetings, now comprising the neighbors of Iraq, P-5 and G-8 Countries, as well as the UN, OIC, Arab League and the European Commission. Turkey hosted the Second Enlarged Ministerial Neighboring Countries Meeting in Istanbul, on November 2-3, 2007.
- Turkey hosted two Energy Working Group Meetings on June 28-29, 2007 and March 2-3, 2008. The three working groups (energy, security, displaced persons) were established in Sharm El Sheikh Conference and the government of Iraq attaches importance to the continuation of these groups. Turkey participated to the Displaced Persons Working Group meetings in Amman on July 26, 2007 and March 18, 2008 and also the Security Working Group meetings in Damascus on August 8-9, 2007 and April 13-14, 2008.

## Afghanistan

Historical ties with Afghanistan and the importance attached to NATO's eventual success are the primary drivers of Turkish contributions. Turkey, having assumed the command of the Regional Command Capital (RCC) on 7 April 2007 for a period of eight months (ended in December 2007), currently retains about 800 troops in Afghanistan. In support of the inextricable link between security and development, Turkey has launched, in coordination with the Government of Afghanistan, its most comprehensive sustainable development assistance program ever. Through its PRT in Vardak, Turkey has further extended the scope of its contributions to reconstruction and development. Moreover, in support of a mutually reinforcing cooperation between Afghanistan and Pakistan, Turkey has hosted a Trilateral Summit with the participation of the Presidents of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan and the Islamic Republic of Pakistan on April 29-30, 2007, which culminated in Ankara Declaration. The Joint Working Group established at the Ankara Summit to work on various cooperation projects held its first meeting on July 06, 2007 in Ankara. Several projects agreed upon in this regard have been carried out in 2007. The Second Summit is planned for June-2008.

### Security

- Continuous troop contribution since the beginning of ISAF.
- Support to H.E. Minister Hikmet Çetin as Senior Civilian Representative in Afghanistan (Jan 2004-Aug 2006)
- Continuous voluntary national contribution (VNC) to one of the POLAD posts at the SCR's Office since Jan- 2004.
- Lead of ISAF-II between Jun 2002-Feb 2003 with 1.300 troops.
- Lead of ISAF-VII between Feb-Aug 2005 with 1.430 troops, three utility helicopters (May 2004-Aug 2005) and concurrent leadership of Kabul International Airport.
- Participation in SEEBRIG HQ which assumed command of Kabul Multi-National Battalion between Feb-Aug 2006.
- Establishment of the Regional Command Capital (RCC) with France and Italy and command of the RCC between Apr-Dec 2007.
- Deployment of 1.200 troops and two utility helicopters during the Turkish Command of the RCC in 2007.
- Staff support consisting of 161 officers to ISAF composite HQ in 2008.
- Deployment of an OMLT in the 201. Corps in Kabul.
- Since 2001, 100 million USD worth military aid and donations have been supplied.

### Development

- 100 million USD has been pledged at London Donors' Conference in Jan 2006.

Between 2002-2007: (except Vardak PRT)

Health: 4 hospitals, 6 health clinics, 2 mobile clinics have been built/repared and operated (750.000 Afghans have benefited from these facilities. Only in 2006, the number of Afghan beneficiaries was about 250.000.). Currently 2 hospitals and 2 clinics operated by Turkey. Constructions of a hospital and a new comprehensive health clinic continue. In 2008, a hospital and three health clinics will be built and furnished.

- Turkish Battle Group regularly conducts CIMIC activities, which include extending medical services and donations in its area of responsibility (AOR).

Education: 27 elementary and secondary schools have been built/repared and furnished (So far, 40.000 students have

benefited from these facilities). Constructions of 16 schools continue. In 2008, 14 more schools will be built and furnished.

Construction and Investment: A bridge on Kabul river, at Pul-i Sokhta juncture, is under construction. Three mosques are being repaired and 58

potable water wells have been dug in rural areas. In 2007, 35 new potable water wells have been dug.

- Turkish entrepreneurs have undertaken 1,5 billion USD worth of projects since 2002. The investments of 21 Turkish firms amount to 200 million USD.

### Civil and Military Capacity Building

- 10 officers and 3 NCOs contribute to the Afghan Military Academy as advisors and teachers, 6 Turkish officers are planned to be appointed to the Afghan Military High School as advisors in February 2008.
- In 2005, 1.032.000 USD has been allocated for training and equipping of an Afghan infantry battalion.
- 24 units of 155 mm artillery guns and 2200 artillery rounds as well as relevant spare parts have been donated and a 14-week program aimed at training of 110 Afghan artillery personnel in Turkey has been completed.
- Donation of a "Cobra" type armored combat vehicle.
- 340 Afghan officers and military students have completed their training at Turkish military schools.
- In-place training of 1.539 Afghan personnel.
- 205 Afghan military personnel or their family members have been provided health treatment in Turkey.
- Annually, 100 Afghan civilian patients are offered free medical treatment in Turkey since 2006.
- Thus far, approximately 22 million USD worth of military equipment, 3.8 million USD worth of military training/education and 184.000 USD worth of health assistance has been provided to the Afghan National Army.
- 175 high education scholarships have been provided to Afghan students. Under a separate program 90 scholarships have been granted since 2005. Moreover, 95 scholarships granted to Afghan students studying in Theology Faculties.
- Vocational training courses for females.
- Afghan civil servants are offered training opportunities in Turkey. So far, more than 500 Afghan officials have attended such programs.
- Afghan political parties attend training programs in Turkey.
- More than 150 Afghan police officers received counter-narcotics training in Turkey. Moreover, 100 Afghan police officers received training in various other fields in Turkey.
- Turkish Police Academy accepts 5 Afghan police cadettes annually starting as of 2007.
- Creation of the Afghan military justice system is actively supported, inter alia by translation of Turkish legislation into Dari, and through various courses.

### Vardak PRT

- The construction and furnishing of an agricultural vocational high school in Maydan Shahr (16 classrooms for 280 students.)
- A 400 m<sup>3</sup> water storage and a cold storage facility for agricultural products in Maydan Shahr completed in Aug 2007.
- The repair of the mosque in Maydan Shahr and construction of its social complex completed in Oct 2007.
- The first phase of the project on providing electricity supply to Maydan Shahr.
- A sports complex and a playground in Maydan Shahr completed in Aug 2007.
- The construction and furnishing of three elementary schools as well as opening potable water wells in Nerh, Calrez and Saydabad districts (each with 8 classrooms for approximately 1.000 students / Construction completed in Oct 2007).
- The construction of a birth clinic in Deshti-Dut town of Saydabad district.
- Literacy courses for Afghan women and girls since Feb 2007. 2.000 already completed.
- So far, 280 Afghan National Police Officers and Afghan National Auxiliary Police personnel have received basic police training respectively, in coordination with CSTC-A.
- A Computer and Training Center opened to provide basic computer training to the provincial officials in Vardak.
- Humanitarian aid campaigns: 14.000 families and 8.000 children received food, clothing and books.
- Police Training Center completed in Sep 2007. The constructions of a model "Police Station and Detention Center" and the second Cold Storage Facility in Vardak already underway.
- Some of our 2007 projects include constructions of a High School for Girls and a Women's Center, plantation of Turkish-Afghan Friendship Forest, and Courses on Carpet Weaving. Our PRT carries out additional projects in the fields of security, agriculture and health.
- PRT plans to carry out at least two projects in each district in 2008. These projects will include the constructions of seven more schools and two health clinics.

## Lebanon

### Security

- Contribution to UNIFIL
- Support UNIFIL with one frigate and 2 corvettes
- Support UNIFIL with 261 additional personnel.

### Development

- Among top 15 countries providing aid to Lebanon.
- 20 million US dollars humanitarian aid in the form of grant
- The 50 million dollars in the form of grant equals to around 700 million dollars if it was provided as concessional loan.

### Construction and Investment

- 10 million dollars in the form of grant for early recovery projects pledged in Stockholm Conference
- Pledge of 20 million dollars in the form of grant in the Paris III Conference for reconstruction activities

## Kosovo

### Security

- Contribution to KFOR.
- Support KFOR with 443-strong contingency
- Assumption of Command of Multinational Task Force-South (MNTF-S) as of May 2007
- Increase contingency by 260 additional troops and 3 UH-1 helicopters during MNTF-S command

### Development

- development projects aimed at raising level of income of the local people.
- 44,920.000 USD of financial aid between 2004 and 2006.

### Health

- Renovation of hospitals
- Donation of technical equipment to health centers
- giving medical treatment and medicine to civilian population

### Education

- Renovation of schools,
- Donation of books, musical instruments, to libraries, associations
- Renovation cultural and historical sites and buildings
- Granting scholarships
- Providing summer internship.

### Construction and Investment

- Contribution to infrastructure development projects like water storage and systems road building, etc

### Civil and Military Capacity Building

- Contribution to legal and organizational infrastructure
- assistance to several cultural, private sector, civil society organizations and associations in terms of seminars, fairs, etc.
- development aid to farmers
- contribution to the development of fisheries, animal husbandry, agriculture and industrial sector
- donation of technical equipment to associations, broadcasting institutions
- arranging professional education programs and seminars
- contribution to associations
- assisting the development of the media and communication sectors.

## Bosnia-Herzegovina

### Security

- Contribution to EUFOR-ALTHEA, which is an example of successful NATO-EU cooperation (Berlin + arrangements),
- Contributions to Integrated Police Unit (IPU) and EU Police Mission (EUPM),
- Support EUFOR-ALTHEA with 400 personnel,
- Support IPU with 2 teams, each with 25 gendarmerie officers
- A total of 7 personnel working for EUPM, 6 from National police, 1 from Gendarmerie,
- Contribution of 3 personnel in 1996 and 4 personnel in 1997 to international reconstruction efforts,

### Development

- 80 million dollars of aid commitment at 1996 Donor Countries meeting on Bosnia and Herzegovina's reconstruction,
- 60 million dollars of which to be used as Turkish Eximbank credits and 20 million dollars to be given as donation,
- humanitarian aid to Bosnian people at various amounts,

### Health

- 3.6 million dollars of donation has been used for a health center in Jezero,
- 11 million dollars of donation was used for renovation of a rehabilitation center in Foynica and building of 850 houses in Dobrinja,
- training of health personnel
- contribution to and establishment of intensive care, internal diseases units of hospitals,

### Education

- renovation of schools
- assistance for the establishment of libraries
- internships for several Bosnian students.

### Construction and Investment:

- compensation of 6 million dollars of debt originating from natural gas imports of Bosnia-Herzegovina, provision of technical aid to reconstruction efforts after the war
- renovation of cultural and historical sites and buildings,

### Civil and Military Capacity Building

- professional training of 10 experts from Customs Administration of Bosnia and Herzegovina,
- renovation of cultural and historical sites and buildings,,
- assistance to several cultural, private sector, civil society organizations and associations in terms of seminars, symposiums, fairs, etc
- projects on husbandry, livestock raising and fishery,
- production of documentary films on culture of Bosnia,

Development

- 2 million dollars of humanitarian aid between 1992-1993
- providing an EXIMBANK loan of 17.6 million dollars
- extension of additional 10 million dollars of EXIMBANK credit quota
- humanitarian aid consisting of foods and basic materials to people in Bathore region.

Health

- distribution of health books at schools

Education

- equipment aid to schools
- support for the researchers
- donation of 15 computers for the utilization of 500 students

Construction and Investment

- 300.000 million dollars project on development of sewage system of Küteti Studenti region
- development of sewage system of Qyeti region

Civil and Military Capacity Building

- training programs for the experts from economic institutions like customs administration, ministry of economics, etc.
- training of Albanian farmers on livestock raising
- training program for a total 339 Albanian junior diplomats,
- assisting to several cultural, private sector, civil society organizations and associations in terms of seminars, symposiums, fairs, etc.
- training program for small and medium sized firms
- arrangement of weaving courses for the women in Bathore region

Macedonia

Development

- technical aid to Platnitsa municipality

Health

- renovation of a health center in Jupa

Education

- renovation of a school in Resne
- provision of books to several schools
- scholarships to 40 students for 9 months
- scholarships to 20 university students
- renovation of a village school in Karbintsi.

Construction and Investment

- drinking water projects for two villages in Eastern Macedonia
- building of a bridge in Karbintsi

Civil and Military Capacity Building

- financial support to cultural foundations
- assisting to several cultural, private sector, civil society organizations and associations in terms of seminars, symposiums, fairs, etc.
- restoration of cultural and historical sites and buildings
- education of 800 students on computer usage