



# Multinational Battle Group-East

Kosovo Forces



## “Shaping the Change”

### BATTLE GROUP

A battle group is a military organization at the level of a brigade, consisting of Battalion level command posts and numerous companies. These companies are highly mobile, flexible and rapidly deployable to potential trouble spots all over Kosovo.

There are two MNBGs, which constitute KFOR and are ready to react to any threatening situation.

- HQ MNBG-E, Camp Bondsteel
- HQ MNBG-W, Camp Villagio Italia

### KFOR MISSION

Contribute to a safe and secure environment and freedom of movement

Support and coordinate the international humanitarian effort and civil presence

Support the development of a stable, democratic, multi-ethnic and peaceful Kosovo

Support the development of the Kosovo Security Force

### KFOR NUMBERS

Approximately 4,600 troops from the NATO-led Kosovo Force, comprised of 31 countries, continue to contribute towards maintaining a safe and secure environment and freedom of movement for all citizens and communities in Kosovo.

### ***MNBG-E Mission Statement:***

Multinational Battle Group-East conducts peace support operations in the operating environment to contribute to a safe and secure environment and freedom of movement.

### ***Peace Support Operations:***

An operation that impartially makes use of diplomatic, civil and military means, normally in pursuit of UN Charter purposes and principles, to restore or maintain peace. Such operations may include conflict prevention, peacemaking, peace enforcement, peace support, peace building, and/or humanitarian operations.

KFOR derives its mandate from United Nations Security Council Resolution 1244 of June 10, 1999 and the Military Technical Agreement

between NATO and the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia and Serbia. KFOR is operated under Chapter VII of the UN Charter, and as such, is a peace enforcement operation, which is more generally referred to as a peace support operation.



• MNBG-E has approximately 1,000 troops comprised of six countries including; Germany, Hungary, Poland, Romania, Turkey, and United States.

- The current U.S. KFOR rotation is 21.
- The current MNBG-E brigade deployed is the 2nd Infantry Brigade Combat Team, 28th Infantry Division from Washington, Pennsylvania. The brigade is commanded by Col. Ros L. Gammon IV and Command Sgt. Maj. Timothy M. Hileman.
- MNBG-E has troops in several locations in the area of operations; Camp Nothing Hill, Camp Marchal de Lattre de Tassigny and Camp Bondsteel.
- There are three Joint Readiness Detachments (JRD). JRDs manage and deal with overt information, gather and liaison with regional and local authorities, population and international organizations Kosovo wide in order to "feel the pulse of Kosovo". The JRDs operates with non-kinetic assets named Liaison and Monitoring Teams (LMTs). All activities contribute significantly to improve the relationship among all the communities of the area but also to foster the citizens' credibility towards KFOR.