



# Global Peace Operations Initiative (GPOI)

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# GPOI Basics



- Five-year initiative - began FY05
- Three major components:
  - Train and equip
  - Deployment Support
  - Gendarme-like capabilities
- G-8 Sea Island Action Plan for “Expanding Global Capability for Peace Support Operations”

# Train & Equip



- Key gap: number of peace support operations (PSO) troops, including specialized units
- 75,000 PSO troops worldwide over five years
- Emphasis on Africa; also increase capabilities in Latin America, Europe and Asia
- Cached equipment for deploying PSO units
- Sustainment training through exercises

# Africa Train & Equip



- Expand Africa Contingency Operations Training and Assistance (ACOTA) program
- Train more battalions w/existing partners
- Add new partner countries
- Multinational exercise
- Add specialized training

# Africa HQ Support



- Increase capability of headquarters of African Union (AU) and Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS)
- Training HQ staff
- Advisors and technical assistance
- Communications equipment
- In future years, possible support to other HQs of the African Standby Force (ASF)

# Train & Equip Outside Africa



- Increase peace support capabilities in Latin America, Europe and Asia
- Work through regional/sub-regional organizations, bilateral training
- Specialized training (engineering, medical, logistics, communications)
- Exercises

# Deployment Support



- Key gap – deployment support (transportation and logistics support) for international units deploying to PSOs
- Transportation and logistics support arrangement help address gap
- Working with G-8 and other interested partners to address this gap

# Center of Excellence for Stability Police Units (COESPU)



- Key gap – increase number of gendarme or “stability police” able participate in PSOs
- Italy lead
- Training center in Vicenza
- International staff
- COESPU – first class began last week

# COESPU Training



- Focuses on train-the-trainer
- 3,000 trainers over 5 years
- Mid and senior level courses
- Pre-deployment training
- Mobile training teams to sustain skills

# G-8 Clearinghouse



- U.S. hosted first meeting, October 2004, in Washington
- UK will host the next meeting, December 2005, in London
- Reps from international orgs (i.e., UN), regional orgs (i.e., EU, AU), and sub-regional orgs (i.e., ECOWAS) normally attend
- G-8 Clearinghouse website being developed:  
[www.G-8AfricaPSO.net](http://www.G-8AfricaPSO.net)



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