



# Canada's Role: 2011–2014

## Building a Better Future for Afghans



On November 16, 2010, Canada announced a new role for its continued engagement in Afghanistan from 2011 to 2014.

Building on the significant progress that has been achieved in the areas of security, diplomacy, human rights, and development, Canada's work in Afghanistan after 2011 will focus on four key areas:

- investing in the future of Afghan children and youth through development programming in education and health, thereby especially improving the lives of women and children;
- advancing security, the rule of law, and human rights, including the provision of as many as 950 military and 45 police personnel to support and train Afghan security forces;
- promoting regional diplomacy; and,
- helping deliver humanitarian assistance.

These areas of focus build upon Canada's programming efforts from 2008 to 2011. Focused on national programming and centered in Kabul, these priorities support ongoing international efforts in Afghanistan, and they present an opportunity for Canada to continue its significant contribution.

Canada's objective in Afghanistan remains the same: to support the Government of Afghanistan and help build a more secure, stable, and self-sufficient country.

Canada will continue to invest in the future of Afghan children and youth through development programming in education and health.

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