



## FACT SHEET 4

# OPERATIONS



- ✓ The Australian Defence Force has about 3,000 soldiers, sailors, and airmen and women involved in 13 operations around the world.
- ✓ 400 members of our Defence Forces are actively protecting Australia's borders and offshore maritime interests.
- ✓ We are contributing to regional stability through operations in East Timor and Solomon Islands.
- ✓ We are a major contributor to an international effort led by NATO and the International Stabilisation Assistance Force, to deny international terrorists safe haven in Afghanistan.
- ✓ Our Defence Forces are training and mentoring the Afghan National Army in the province of Oruzgan, where our Special Forces are also engaged in combat operations against the Taliban.
- ✓ Australia supports Middle East peace efforts through a contribution to the Multinational Force and Observers in the Sinai.
- ✓ Australia is also part of United Nations peace keeping operations in Iraq, Sudan, Syria and Lebanon.

