

The next roulement of UK forces in Afghanistan is due to take place in October 2011. The UK's current framework Brigade in Helmand, 3 Commando Brigade, will be replaced by 20th Armoured Brigade.

The forces deploying include:

20th Armoured Brigade Headquarters and Signal Squadron (200)  
Elements of 19th Light Brigade Headquarters and Signal Squadron (209)  
Headquarters 101 Logistic Brigade  
Elements of 845 Naval Air Squadron including members of the Maritime Reserve  
Elements of 846 Naval Air Squadron  
857 Naval Air Squadron  
1st The Queen's Dragoon Guards  
The Queen's Royal Hussars (The Queen's Own and Royal Irish)  
Elements of 5th Regiment Royal Artillery  
Elements of 16th Regiment Royal Artillery  
Elements of 26th Regiment Royal Artillery  
Elements of 39th Regiment Royal Artillery  
Elements of 40th Regiment Royal Artillery  
Elements of 47th Regiment Royal Artillery  
Elements of 25 Engineer Regiment  
35 Engineer Regiment  
Elements of 38 Engineer Regiment  
Elements of 71 Engineer Regiment (Volunteers)  
Elements of 12 (Air Support) Engineer Group  
Elements of 170 (Infrastructure Support) Engineer Group  
Elements of 1st (United Kingdom) Armoured Division Headquarters and Signal Regiment  
Elements of 10th Signal Regiment  
Elements of 14th Signal Regiment (Electronic Warfare)  
Elements of 21st Signal Regiment (Air Support)  
Elements of 22nd Signal Regiment  
3rd Battalion The Royal Regiment of Scotland (The Black Watch)  
1st Battalion The Princess of Wales's Royal Regiment (Queen's and Royal Hampshire)  
1st Battalion The Yorkshire Regiment (Prince of Wales's Own)  
2nd Battalion The Mercian Regiment (Worcesters and Foresters)  
2nd Battalion The Rifles  
5th Battalion The Rifles

Elements of 1 Regiment Army Air Corps  
Elements of 3 Regiment Army Air Corps  
Elements of 4 Regiment Army Air Corps

Elements of 9 Regiment Army Air Corps  
Elements of Joint Helicopter Support Squadron  
Elements of Allied Rapid Reaction Corps Support Battalion  
1 Logistic Support Regiment The Royal Logistic Corps  
Elements of 6 Regiment The Royal Logistic Corps  
Elements of 7 Regiment The Royal Logistic Corps  
Elements of 8 Regiment The Royal Logistic Corps  
Elements of 9 Regiment The Royal Logistic Corps  
Elements of 11 Explosive Ordnance Disposal Regiment The Royal Logistic Corps  
Elements of 17 Port and Maritime Regiment The Royal Logistic Corps  
Elements of 23 Pioneer Regiment The Royal Logistic Corps  
Elements of 29 Regiment The Royal Logistic Corps  
1 Medical Regiment  
Elements of 201 Field Hospital (Volunteers)  
Elements of 208 Field Hospital (Volunteers)  
3 Close Support Battalion Royal Electrical and Mechanical Engineers  
Elements of 19 Light Brigade Combat Service Support Battalion  
Elements of 101 Force Support Battalion Royal Electrical and Mechanical Engineers  
Elements of 104 Force Support Battalion Royal Electrical and Mechanical Engineers  
110 Provost Company Royal Military Police  
Elements of 173 Provost Company Royal Military Police  
Elements of Special Investigation Branch United Kingdom  
Elements of 1 Military Working Dogs Regiment  
Elements of 1 Military Intelligence Brigade  
Elements of 15 Psychological Operations Group  
Elements of 88 Postal and Courier Regiment (Volunteers), The Royal Logistic Corps  
Elements of 148 Expeditionary Force Institute Squadron (Volunteers), The Royal Logistic Corps  
Elements of 156 Transport Regiment (Volunteers), The Royal Logistic Corps  
Elements of 159 Supply Regiment (Volunteers), The Royal Logistic Corps  
Elements of 162 Postal Courier and Movement Regiment (Volunteers), The Royal Logistic Corps  
Elements of 166 Supply Regiment (Volunteers), The Royal Logistic Corps  
602 Tactical Air Control Party  
603 Tactical Air Control Party  
606 Tactical Air Control Party  
618 Tactical Air Control Party  
Number 3 Royal Air Force, Force Protection Wing Headquarters  
Elements of Number 2 Royal Air Force Police Wing  
Elements of Number 3 Royal Air Force Police Wing  
2 Squadron, Royal Air Force Regiment  
Elements of 101 Squadron Royal Air Force  
Elements of 39 Squadron Royal Air Force  
31 Squadron, Royal Air Force  
IX(B) Squadron, Royal Air Force  
2 (Army Co-Operation) Squadron, Royal Air Force  
Elements of 5 (Army Co-Operation) Squadron, Royal Air Force

Elements of 18 Squadron, Royal Air Force  
Elements of 24 Squadron, Royal Air Force  
Elements of 27 Squadron, Royal Air Force  
Elements of 28 Squadron, Royal Air Force  
Elements of 30 Squadron, Royal Air Force  
Elements of 78 Squadron, Royal Air Force  
Elements of the Tactical Supply Wing, Royal Air Force  
Elements of 1 Air Mobility Wing, Royal Air Force  
Elements of 1 Air Control Centre, Royal Air Force  
Elements of 90 Signals Unit, Royal Air Force  
Elements of 2 (Mechanical Transport) Squadron, Royal Air Force  
Elements of 5001 Squadron, Royal Air Force  
Elements of 3 Mobile Catering Squadron  
Elements of Tactical Medical Wing  
Elements of 1 (Expeditionary Logistics) Squadron  
Elements of 93 (Expeditionary Armaments) Squadron  
Elements of Tactical Imagery Wing  
Elements of 5131(BD) Sqn

Volunteer and ex-regular members of the Reserve Forces will continue to deploy to Afghanistan as part of this integrated force package, and we expect to issue around 530 call-out notices. On completion of their mobilisation procedures the reservists will undertake a period of training and, where applicable, integration with their respective receiving units. The majority will serve on operations for around six months. As part of this commitment we expect up to 24 members of the sponsored reserves to be in theatre at any one time.

The UK's conventional force level will remain at 9,500 for the duration of the deployment.

20th Armoured Brigade's planned replacement formation is 12 Mechanized Brigade during 2012.