

Afghan War: US, NATO Troops Near 100,000 And Climbing

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Breakdown of troop numbers in Afghanistan

Spain is willing to increase the number of its troops in Afghanistan on a long-term basis if necessary, Prime Minister Jose Luis Rodriguez Zapatero told the International Herald Tribune in an interview published on Thursday.

Spain currently has about 800 troops in Afghanistan, where the United States has been pushing allies to increase their military presence.

U.S. troop levels have already risen by thousands. Under U.S. President Barack Obama's new strategy, they will rise from 32,000 at the end of 2008 to a projected 68,000 by the end of 2009.

Here is a breakdown of current main national deployments in Afghanistan, which totals around 96,500 troops as at the end of July.

Country Troops

United States 62,000

Britain 9,000

Germany 4,050

France 3,160

Canada 2,800

Italy 2,795

Poland 2,000

Netherlands 1,770

Australia 1,090

Romania 1,025

Spain 780

Turkey 730

Denmark 700

Belgium 510

Norway 485

Bulgaria 470

Sweden 430

Czech Republic 340

94,135

Other nations: 2,378

TOTALS: 96,513

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