The African Peace Facility

African Union Mission in Somalia (AMISOM)

**OVERVIEW**

**When?** 03/2007 – 12/2018  
**Where?** Somalia  
**How much?** EUR 1.736 billion  
**With whom?** African Union  
**Why?** Provide security, reduce Al-Shabaab threat, enable hand-over to Somali forces  
**How?** Support to an African-led Peace Support Operation

**OBJECTIVES**

- Enabling the gradual handing over of security responsibilities from AMISOM to Somali security forces, contingent to their capacities, and providing them with training and mentoring.
- Reducing the threat posed by Al-Shabaab and other armed opposition groups.
- Assisting the Somali security forces to provide security for the political process at all levels, as well as stabilisation, reconciliation and peace-building in Somalia.
POLITICAL CONTEXT

2007
• UN Security Council authorises the African Union to deploy AMISOM in order to promote long-term peace, security and effective governance.

Since then AMISOM has contributed to:
• the end of the mandate of the transitional authorities with a peaceful hand-over of power and the adoption of a new provisional constitution (2012)
• the establishment of new federal institutions (2012)
• securing the electoral process, which culminated in historic presidential elections (2017)
• the effort to combat Al-Shabaab
• providing the security space needed to ensure the ongoing progress of the political process
• allowing a gradual takeover of Somali security forces from AMISOM as well as stabilisation, reconciliation and peace-building across the country.

Armed attacks against AMISOM, the Somali National Armed Forces, the Somali Police Force and increasingly against civilian targets, take place regularly in Mogadishu and elsewhere, clearly demonstrating Al-Shabaab’s capacity and intent to intimidate the population and to disrupt the political process. AMISOM’s continuous presence remains vital during the transition phase to avoid any security vaccum.

APF FUNDING

Over EUR 1.7 billion since 2007:
• troop allowances (sole direct contributor).
• salaries and allowances for the police component of the mission
• international and local civilian staff salaries
• operational costs for the mission’s offices in Nairobi/Mogadishu and the AMISOM General Dzagabadan Training Camp in Mogadishu
• costs related to AMISOM Quick Impact Projects (QIPs)

AMISOM is also financed by a broad set of bilateral donors including the UN and the US.

APF funding is an integral part of the EU’s comprehensive and long-term support to security and development efforts in Somalia, which includes three EU military missions, in the framework of the EU Common Security and Defence Policy:
• the EU Naval Force Operation ATALANTA (EU NAVFOR)
• the EU military training mission in Somalia (EUTM Somalia)
• the EU civilian maritime security capacity-building mission (EUCAP Nestor)

BENEFICIARIES

● African Union Commission.

● AMISOM troop contributing countries:
  - Burundi
  - Djibouti
  - Ethiopia
  - Kenya
  - Uganda

● The population of Somalia.

● 6 police contributing countries:
  - Ghana, Kenya, Nigeria, Sierra Leone, Uganda, Zambia.

HIGHLIGHTS

85% of APF funding dedicated to troop allowances and deployment costs

21,126 uniformed personnel (from 1,600 troops initially)

2x more police officers: The strength of the AMISOM Police Component has doubled from 526 to 1,040 police officers and elements of formed police units in 2018.

AMISOM Civilian Component

5 clusters
- Mission Support
- Political Processes
- Stabilisation and Early Recovery
- Protection, Human Rights and Gender
- Security Sector Reform

Capacity building: Mediation and conflict resolution trainings.

Quick Impact Projects: e.g. hospital equipment for community health centres or support to local administrations.

Enabling humanitarian assistance in AMISOM controlled areas in 2016-2017:
• Food assistance and clean water for 1.1 million people
• Health and preventive care for 230 malnourished children
• 54 cholera treatment centers
• Support to the World Food Programme: airlift of 18 mt of food and medical supplies and armed escorts for delivery of 92 mt of humanitarian supplies.

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