



Co-Chairs, distinguished delegates,

This will be joint British/Kenyan presentation. The first part of the presentation. aims to give you all an update of the International Mine Action Training Centre and its progress since 2004 when most of you will have been briefed on the Centre during the Review Conference.

I am giving this presentation on behalf of the Comdt of International Mine Action and Training Centre who was due to be here but was not able to come in the end.

The second part of the presentation will be given by my Kenyan colleague.



IMATC

- Joint Kenyan/British establishment
- Opened February 2005



As you know it is a joint Kenyan and British project but it is increasingly becoming an international establishment. It was formally opened by the UK Minister of Armed Forces in Feb 2005.



IMATC Vision

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IMATC Background

- Based on expansion of past success in training Kenyan demining teams for UNMEE
- Role for the Military in Humanitarian Demining



Humanitarian De-mining training was started by UK short term training teams of Kenyan military for the UN mission in Eritrea and Ethiopia (UNMEE). This success spawned the idea for a permanent centre.

It was this Kenyan humanitarian de-mining training that confirmed the role for military in HMA but the Centre does train civilians and it is an increasing part of the output.



What the IMATC Offers

- Excellent Training Facilities
 - Purpose Built
 - Secure and neutral location
- Quality Training
 - Initially focused on training military demining teams
- Adherence to International Standards
- High quality Staff & Instructors



This what the Centre offers

Purpose built training facilities in a secure location.

Quality training initially for military de-mining teams.

Adherence to IMAS

And high quality staff and instructors.



Just on e example of the Centre’s success is the training for Rwanda – but of course there are many others.

The inset picture shows a watering hole cleared by their Defence Force following their training and the local people can now graze their cattle there and have their livelihood back.



Training at the IMATC

- Manual Demining
- Introduction to Mechanical Demining
- Mine Awareness
- EOD
- Battle Area Clearance
- Dog Detection Training
- Other PSO/
humanitarian trg



This slide shows the types of training done at the Centre.

Manual De-mining

Introduction to Mechanical de-mining

Mine Awareness

EOD up to IMAS level 3

Battle Area Clearance

Dog Detection Training. Principally MDD and EDD but other dog training across the spectrum of disciplines including attack and drug detection dog training.

Peace Support Operations training for Senior officers and UN Police etc



Other Training/Activity at IMATC

- Support to Kenyan Peace Support and Disaster Training
- Hosting conferences and seminars
- Host externally sponsored training



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These all fit with their humanitarian profile and help to generate income.



Progress to date

- Demining Training since Feb 05
 - **1087 trained deminers/EOD Operators**
 - **2590 trained in Mine Awareness**
 - **Management and other training in support of UN (200+)**
- Other Courses/activities **(2166 pers)**
 - Mine Action training in support of UN
 - Country Programme Managers meetings
 - Security Sector Transformation Courses
 - Ceasefire Joint Monitoring Committee conf
 - Border Security Seminar
 - Military Exercises
 - Pre-deployment Training for PSOs
 - Medical Courses
- **Total of 5843 personnel in 24 months**



Outputs since 2005 are summarised here.

Over 1000 de-miners and EOD operators trained

Over 2500 trained in Mine Awareness

Over 200 trained in de-mining management and training in support of UN

Over 2000 trained on other courses which totals almost 6000 personnel



These are the nations that have been trained at the Centre during 2006 and 2007

109 are NGOs and commercial personnel (many European) but also other nationalities



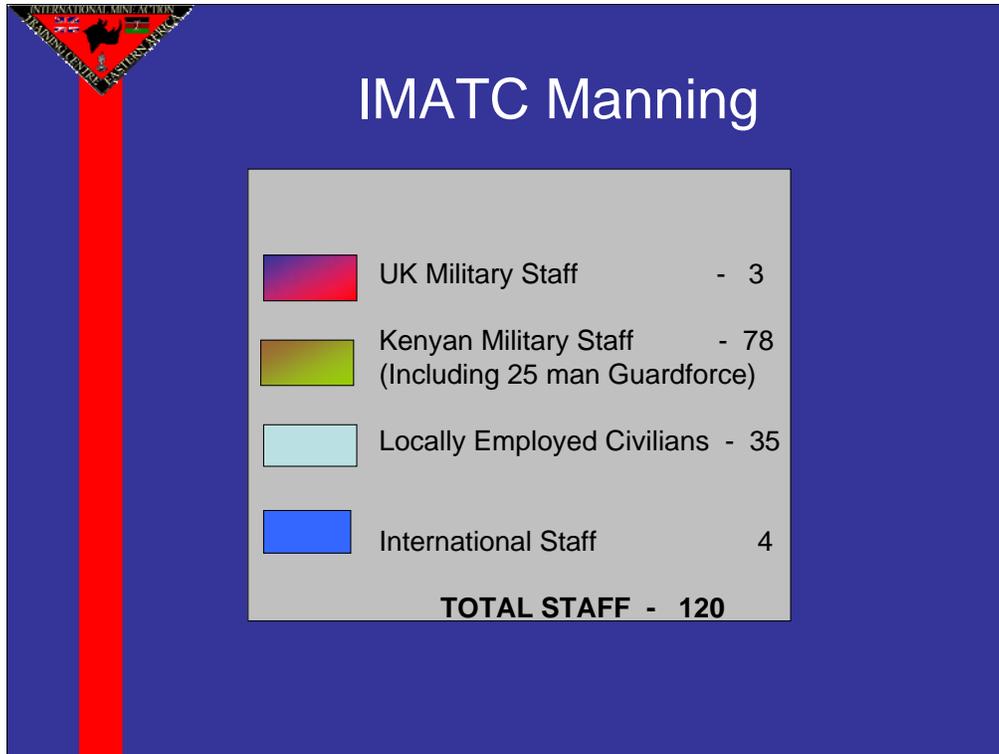
Funding

- Infrastructure Costs
 - IMATC Build - £3.5m (UK Govt)
 - Annual Running costs – £1.2m since 2004 (UK Govt)
 - UK pays for Lt Col, Capt (LE) and QMSI
- Course Funding
 - Funding Sources:
 - UK – Majority of funding
 - Somaliland Police Course – German funding
 - Also some funding from: Kenya (police) & UNMAS
 - Widen funding base for courses in future
- Limited Income Generation
 - Hosting Conferences
 - De-mining Training for NGOs/Others

Most of the infrastructure and running costs have been paid by UK. Some 4.7 million pounds sterling since 2004.

UK still funds three positions and the majority of the course funding.

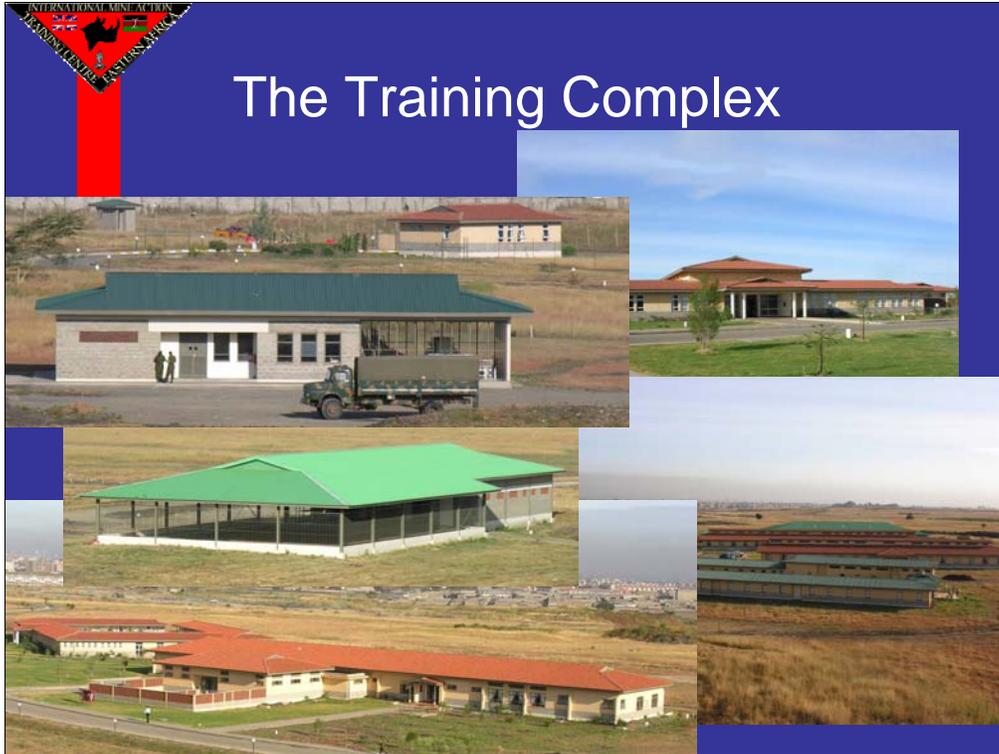
However Germany has funded the Somaliland Police Courses and Kenya has provided some course funds and the vast proportion of the manpower costs.



As you can see, all except seven of the posts are manned by Kenya.

Of note are four international posts including two US personnel (LO and EOD posts).

In addition to this permanent manning there is a short term training team reinforcement that visits once a year. This comes from the Mine Information and Training Centre in UK deploys to Kenya to assist with the course training.



For those who may have seen the site 2 years ago may appreciate the construction changes.



Partnerships

- **UK/Kenya**
- Funding
 - US, Germany, EU, UNMAS, UNDP
- Staffing
 - External UK & US Instructors
- NGOs - Mines Awareness Trust
 - Dog Facilities
 - TAs – Rwanda, Uganda
- Cranfield
 - Delivery of Mine Action training
 - Disaster Management Training
- Commercial
 - DOK-ING & WAY Industry
 - Securatec
- ITEP
 - R&D, T&E



Clearly the key partnership and funding is through the bilateral UK Kenya partnership.

But funding does come from US, EU, UNMAS, UNDP as well.

Mines Awareness Trust and Securatec (German dog training organisation) has funded and resourced the Mine Detection Dog Centre.

Technical advisers have been provided by Rwanda and Uganda



The Firmin Sword of Peace is a non governmental UK award and is awarded for significant contributions to humanitarian Operations. We plan to have it presented to the Centre in July 2007.

That concludes this short presentation which was designed to give you an overview of the Centre since you were last briefed on it during the Review Conference in 2004. As you can see, it is a strong success storey for both the UK and Kenya and I hope I have shown you that there is now wider international involvement within the manning and funding of the Centre.

Thank you for your attention. I will now hand over to my Kenyan colleague.