

AIM

Deliver security for the people of the United Kingdom and the Overseas Territories by defending them, including against terrorism, and act as a force for good by strengthening international peace and security.

OBJECTIVES AND PERFORMANCE TARGETS

Objective I: achieve success in the military tasks that we undertake at home and abroad.

1. *Achieve the objectives established by Ministers for Operations and Military Tasks in which the United Kingdom's Armed Forces are involved, including those providing support to our civil communities.*
2. *Improve effectiveness of the UK contribution to conflict prevention and management as demonstrated by a reduction in the number of people whose lives are affected by violent conflict and a reduction in potential sources of future conflict, where the UK can make a significant contribution. JOINT TARGET WITH DfID AND FCO*

Objective II: be ready to respond to the tasks that might arise.

3. *By 2006 ensure that a minimum of 90% of high readiness forces are at their required states of readiness with no critical weakness.*
4. *Recruit, train, motivate and retain the personnel needed to meet the manning requirement of the Armed Forces, so that by the end of 2004, the Royal Navy and RAF achieve, and thereafter maintain, manning balance, and that by the end of 2005 the Army achieves, and thereafter maintains, manning balance.*
5. *Strengthen European security through an enlarged and modernised NATO, an effective EU military crisis management capacity and enhanced European defence capabilities.*

Objective III: build for the future.

6. *Develop and deliver to time and cost targets military capability for the future, including battle-winning technology, equipment and systems, matched to the changing strategic environment.*

Value for Money

7. *Increase value for money by making improvements in the efficiency and effectiveness of the key processes for delivering military capability. Year-on-year output efficiency gains of 2.5% will be made each year from 2002-03 to 2005-06, including through a 20% output efficiency gain in the Defence Logistics Organisation.*

WHO IS RESPONSIBLE FOR DELIVERY?

The Secretary of State for Defence is responsible for delivery of this PSA. The Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs is jointly responsible for delivering Target 5 and, together with the Secretary of State for International Affairs, Target 2.

