

SECURITY COOPERATION TOOLKIT

BUILDING PARTNERSHIPS & PARTNER CAPACITY

Policy & Responsibilities Overview

Security Cooperation (SC) is an important tool of national security and foreign policy and an integral element of the DoD mission.

SC entails activities undertaken by the DoD to encourage and enable international partners to work with the United States to achieve strategic objectives. It includes all DoD interactions with foreign defense and security establishments, including all DoD-administered security assistance programs, that:

- ✓ build defense and security relationships that promote specific U.S. security interests, including all international armaments cooperation and security assistance activities;
- ✓ develop allied and friendly military capabilities for self-defense and multinational operations; and
- ✓ provide U.S. forces with peacetime and contingency access to host nations.

Detailed information governing DoD participation in SC can be found in DoDD 5132.03, "DoD Policy and Responsibility Relating to Security Cooperation."

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