



Diplomacy and Governance Civilian Response Corps Capabilities

Diplomacy and Governance expertise is important to the long-term success of any reconstruction and stabilization mission. The Civilian Response Corps's team of Diplomacy and Governance experts has years of experience representing the U.S. Government, promoting good governance, preventing corruption, conducting elections, and protecting human rights. In addition, the Corps has a number of public diplomacy officers who are versed in developing messages best suited for communicating with the range of populations and actors in conflict zones. The team has experience working in a variety of settings including embassies, consulates, non-governmental organizations (NGOs), military and multilateral organizations, including Provincial Reconstruction Teams (PRTs).

The Civilian Response Corps brings together civilian federal employees who are specially trained and equipped to deploy rapidly to provide assistance to countries in crisis or emerging from conflict.

What Corps Members Offer

The Corps's Diplomacy and Governance experts can help U.S. Embassies, Combatant Commands, and others create stable and secure environments in fragile and post-conflict host nations by:

- ▶ Providing direct reporting channels to U.S. Government policy-makers;
- ▶ Engaging directly with local actors and populations to promote U.S. stability and conflict-prevention objectives;
- ▶ Establishing and monitoring good governance programs;
- ▶ Developing and executing strategic and program plans and evaluations;
- ▶ Providing public diplomacy and strategic communications support;
- ▶ Building the capacity of those in the field through mentoring/advising;

A Wide Breadth of Capabilities

The Corps's Diplomacy and Governance experts reside in several different federal agencies, but especially the Departments of State, Homeland Security, and Justice and the United States Agency for International Development, each with a wide array of technical skills including:

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| ▶ Anti-Corruption | ▶ Governance |
| ▶ Civil Society | ▶ Human Rights |
| ▶ Communications/Media | ▶ Institutional Development |
| ▶ Conflict Mitigation | ▶ Justice and Rule of Law |
| ▶ Constitutional Drafting | ▶ Protection of Refugees |
| ▶ Elections | ▶ Security Sector Reform |

Language and Regional Expertise

Languages: Arabic, Bosnian, Creole, Dari, Farsi, French, German, Hebrew, Hindi, Korean, Lao, Macedonian, Malay-Indonesian, Mandarin, Pashto, Polish, Portuguese, Russian, Serbo-Croatian, Spanish, Swahili, Tajik, Thai, Turkish, Uzbek, Vietnamese

Regional Experience: Experts in all regions including Africa, East Asia & Pacific, Europe & Eurasia, Near East Asia, South & Central Asia, and the Western Hemisphere

Significant Diplomacy and Governance Engagements

Kyrgyzstan

The Corps currently has a stabilization team on the ground providing, among other things, strategic communications advice, political and economic support, and assistance coordination during this period of instability.

Sudan

In Sudan, a team of ten is currently on the ground monitoring the upcoming referendum in Southern Sudan. In particular, two Corps officers are serving as conflict monitoring and response officers for planning an area stabilization strategy, which will facilitate the building of state capacity to monitor and respond to conflict.

Afghanistan

The Corps has staffed an elections team for U.S. Embassy Kabul since March 2009. This team has monitored elections developments and provided advice and assistance over the course of the elections. The Corps is also supporting the U.S. Embassy's strategic communications efforts and providing technical assistance to the Afghan Ministry of Finance in support of the Afghan National Development Strategy (ANDS).