

# U.S. SOUTHCOM United States Southern Command Fact Sheet

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## Situation Report for Media: Multinational Interim Force–Haiti

**MIAMI** – Following are significant events and activities of the Multinational Interim Force (MIF) and associated U.S. agencies during the last 24 hours:

- **Presence Patrols:**

- The Multinational Interim Force and Haitian National Police (HNP) continue to conduct presence patrols to stabilize the security situation throughout Port-au-Prince. All patrols were conducted successfully without incident.

- **Security Assessments:**

- The MIF-H continues visits throughout Haiti conducting security assessments and providing security assistance to Haitian government officials.

**Stability Operations:** MIF-H Officials and representatives of other U.S. Government agencies continue to coordinate with Haitian authorities to restore stability and the rule of law.

- Many commercial air carriers have resumed flights into Haiti.
- Haiti's commercial activities are increasing as are pedestrian and vehicle traffic.
- Garbage collection and street cleanups, although still sporadic, have resumed.
- HNP officials are using local media to urge people to refrain from carrying arms until new permitting processes can be implemented.
- Presence patrols continue activities in support of disarmament and to protect Haitians from acts of violence.

- **Force Statistics:**

- MIF-H currently consists of more than 2,700 troops, and includes about 1,740 U.S., more than 510 French (not including about 300 French Naval personnel in Caribbean Waters,) more than 325 Chileans, and more than 125 Canadians.
- Six U.S. UH-60 and two CH-47 transport helicopters have arrived in Port-au-Prince airport from Joint Task Force-Bravo in Honduras. These aircraft provide the MIF medical and transport capability throughout Haiti.
- Civil Affairs soldiers have arrived in Haiti and are establishing a Civil-Military Operations Center in Port-au-Prince. These soldiers will work with international agencies and Haitian leaders in the cities, towns and communities to improve life in Haiti and to coordinate civil-military operations with local Haitian officials.
- U.S. military airlift in support of the MIF-H total More than 95 flights to date, carrying U.S. military troops and supplies into Haiti.

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**Migrant Interdiction:**

Department of Homeland Security's Coast Guard District 7 continues migration interdiction and rescue patrolling, more details at: <http://www.piersystem.com/external/index.cfm?cid=698>.

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