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EUPOL Biker Training for Afghan Police

The first group of Afghan Police officers have successfully attended the 1st Motorcycle Train-the-Trainer Course for the ANP. 14 officers received their graduation certificates from the EUPOL Training Unit. Kai Vittrup, EUPOLs Head of Mission, in a note to the graduates wished them success for their future and said: "It is important for Afghanistan that the country gets well trained and capable police officers. EUPOL is proud to be involved in this mission."

After the ANP had received 300 Hyosung 125cc on/off-road motor cycles contributed by South Korea, training for selected personnel had to be organised. The EUPOL Training Unit in cooperation with the EUPOL Uniformed Police Mentor Team created a 12 day training program with a Train-the-Trainers–approach. The course kicked off on 14th November at the ANP's Transport Battalion in Kabul with trainees who are all experienced police officers of the Traffic Police. The course has enabled the participants to train other police officers. The future instructors were taught how to teach new motorcycle riders the basics of safe riding, traffic law, the duties of police motorcycle officers as well as some basic motorcycle maintenance. Some of the participants are members of the elite motorcycle escort team, riding BMW bikes, safely shepherding important VIP's and dignitaries through the streets of Kabul.

The training course and its graduates will help to increase the mobility of the ANP, which will even benefit the fight against the insurgency.

More information and pictures: http://www.eupol-afg.eu/photo_gallery.php

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