



# DEFENCE FORCES REFORM CONCEPT

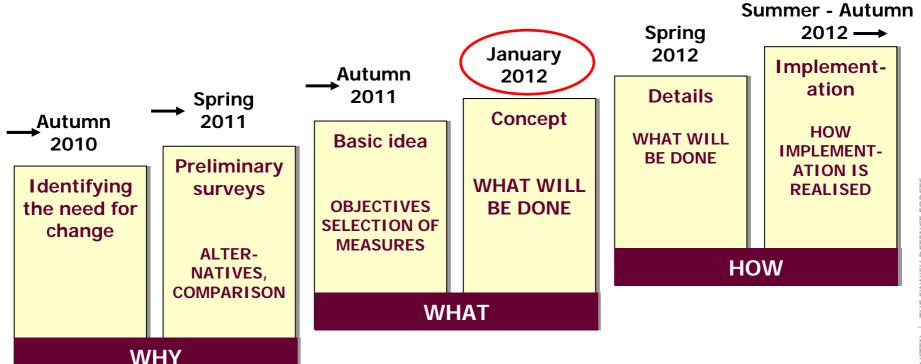
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# **Defence Forces Reform - Preparation**



#### **Example: Brigade-level unit structure**

TOO LARGE, MUST BE REDUCED POSSIBILITIES FOR REFORM, CRITERIA ARMY NAVY AIR FORCE NEEDS

SAVINGS OBJECTIVES STRUCTURAL FOUNDATION

TO BE RELINQUISHED, TO BE MERGED **DETAILS** 

PERSONNEL
PLANNING
ORGANISATION
OF FUNCTIONS

PREPARATIONS IMPLEMENTATION

SUPPORTING PERSONNEL



# **Defence Forces Reform - Reasons and Objective**

## The need for reform is caused by:

- Smaller age groups
- Defence materiel becoming obsolete and more expensive
- Other rises in costs
- There is not enough money to maintain a Defence Forces of the current size.
- Simultaneous significant decrease in funding 2012-2015

#### The objective is:

- 1. Ensuring Finland's military defence capability
- 2. Lasting cost savings
  - Real-estate expenditure
  - Personnel costs
  - Materiel procurement
- 3. Bringing the size and activities of the Defence Forces into balance with funding

#### Requirements

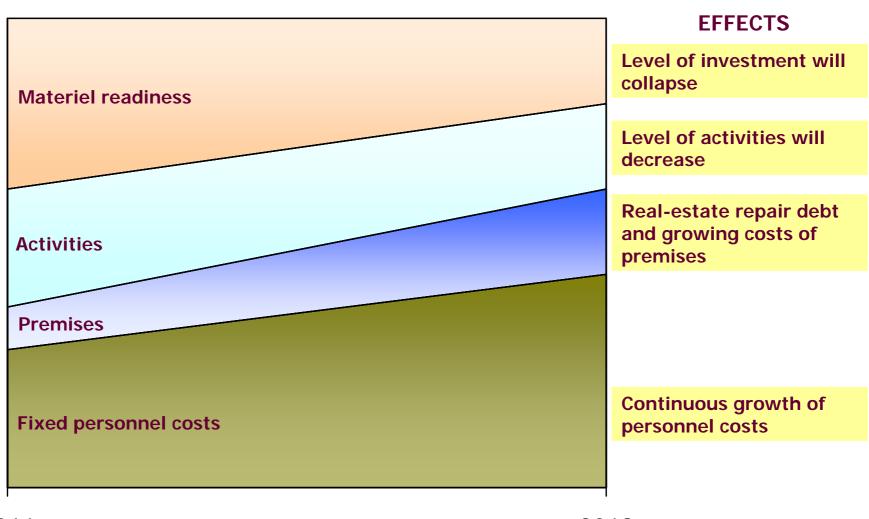
- The statutory tasks of the Defence Forces remain
- The entire country is defended
- General conscription
- Military non-alliance





# **Resources - Development Outlook without the Reform**

- the defence capacity and defence of the entire country will be endangered



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# Decrease in Funding 2012-2015

Amounts according to price level of 2012	2012 € m	2013 € m	2014 € m	2015 € m	TOTAL € m
BUDGET CUTS (reference point 2011 appropriation framework)	45.8	120.7	174.4	234.4	575.3
EXPENDITURE AND COST PRESSURES	30	30	45	45	150
COSTS OF THE REFORM				<b>→</b>	100
					825.3

**Expenditure structure imbalance** 

**Expenditure structure balance** 

#### **INEVITABLE MEASURES**

- the level of activities has to be lowered
- materiel procurement has to be decreased

#### **LASTING SAVINGS**

- by reforming structures
- by decreasing materiel procurement





# The Defence Forces Reform - Grounds and Objective

#### **Strategy**

DEFENCE FORCES' SIZE AND ACTIVITIES IN BALANCE WITH FUNDING

COST EFFICIENCY,
THE SAME IS ACHIEVED WITH LESS
(tasks do not change)

**DEVELOPED NETWORKING** 

#### **Task**

REDUCE SIZE OF DEFENCE FORCES

**DECREASE LEVELS OF ORGANISATION** 

REORGANISE FUNCTIONS

DOWNSIZE AND REALLOCATE
PERSONNEL

REORGANISE PRODUCTION OF SERVICES

UTILISE KNOWHOW OF THE REST OF SOCIETY EXTENSIVELY

STRENGTHEN VOLUNTARY NATIONAL DEFENCE

STRENGTHEN INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION

#### Result

DEFENCE FORCES' VIABILITY AND REALISATION OF TASKS IN THE FUTURE

NO OVERLAPPING WORK AT DIFFERENT ORGANISATIONAL LEVELS, MORE EVEN WORK DISTRIBUTION

REFORMED AND FLEXIBLE
OPERATIONAL MODELS, INCREASED
PRODUCTIVITY

FUNCTIONAL PREREQUISITES OF COMPANY-LEVEL UNITS, CONSCRIPTS' HIGH QUALITY TRAINING

**ALL PARTIES BENEFIT, WIN-WIN** 

CONNECTION WITH CITIZENS,
WILL TO DEFEND

BENEFITS OF INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION INCL. COST EFFICIENCY

CREDIBLE DEFENCE CAPABILITY IN PROPORTION WITH SECURITY ENVIRONMENT

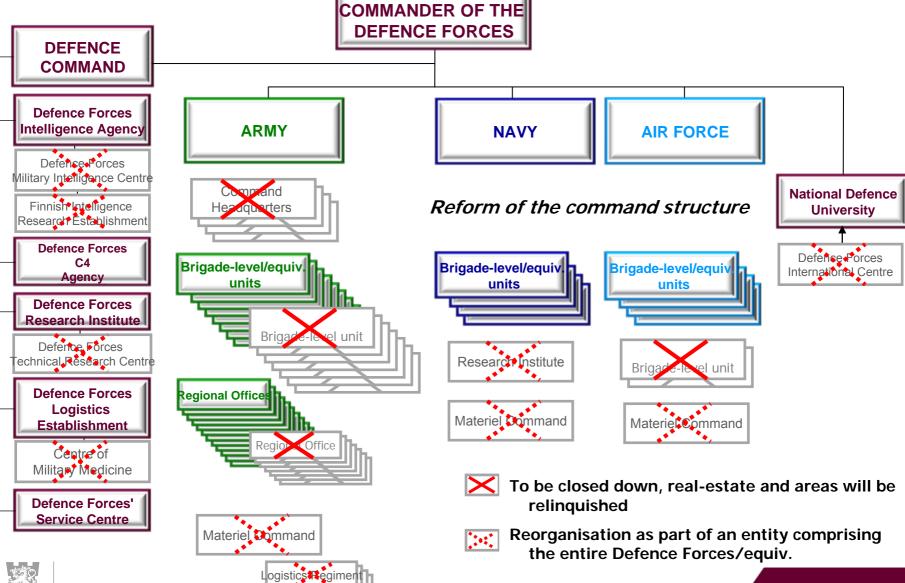


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The Defence Forces 2015 - Basis for Continued **Planning** 







# Grounds for Evaluation of the Brigade-level/equiv. Unit Structure

## Units providing conscript training

#### Main criteria

- 1) Wartime force generation need and operational grounds
- 2) Importance as a wartime base
- 3) Condition of the premises
- 4) Other infrastructure and surroundings
- 5) Overall effectiveness

#### Other evaluation criteria

- 6) Development possibilities
- 7) Training for several branches of service
- 8) Possibility for moving the training



#### Basis for the new structure

16 Brigade-level/equiv. units

- especially the readiness formations

#### **Need to downsize**

6 Brigade-level/equiv. units

(3,000 training positions by the beginning of 2015)



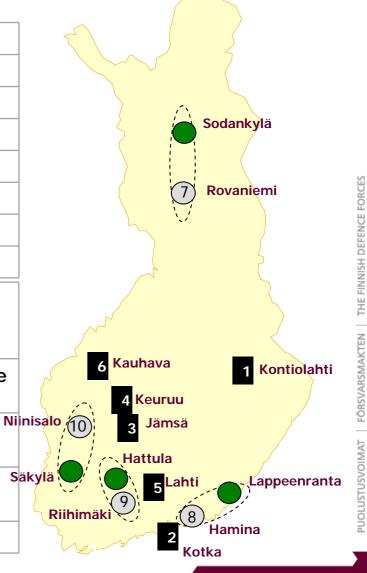


Disbanding and Merging of Brigade-level/equivalent Units

	To be closed down at the end of 2013			
1	North Karelia Brigade			
2	Kotka Coastal Artillery Battalion (battalion-level unit)			
3	3 Air Force Aircraft and Weapon Systems Training Wing			
	To be closed down at the end of 2014			
4	Engineer Regiment			
5	Häme Regiment			
6	Training Air Wing			

To be merged at the end of 2014 -activities will continue as part of a larger brigade-level unit

- 7 The Lapland Air Defence Regiment will merge with the Jaeger Brigade
- The Reserve Officer School will merge with the Army Academy
- The Signal Regiment will merge with the Armoured Brigade
- 10 The Artillery Brigade will merge with the Pori Brigade







The Army 2015 - Basis for Continued Planning

# Army ARMY COMMAND FINLAND 8 BRIGADE-LEVEL/EQUIV. UNITS 12 REGIONAL OFFICES 4 MILITARY BANDS









#### Army Command, Mikkeli Guard Jaeger Regiment, Helsinki

- Regional Office, Helsinki

Pori Brigade, Säkylä-Niinisalo

- Regional Office, Vaasa
- Regional Office, Turku

#### Armoured Brigade, Hattula-Riihimäki

- Regional Office, Tampere
- Regional Office, Jyväskylä
- Regional Office, Lahti

Utti Jaeger Regiment, Kouvola (Utti) - Regional C Army Academy, Lappeenranta Lapland Military Band, Rovaniemi Army Band, Lappeenranta Guards Band, Helsinki Conscript Band of the Defence Forces, Hattula

Karelia Brigade, Kouvola (Vekaranjärvi)

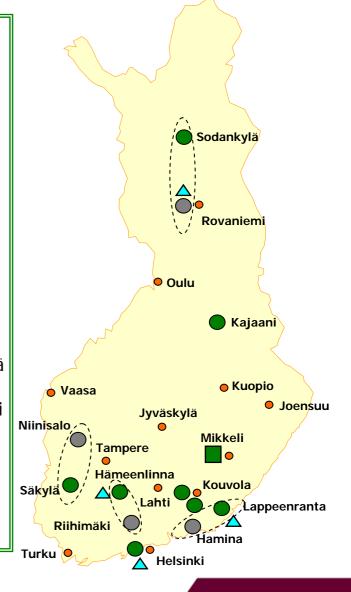
- Regional Office, Kouvola
- Regional Office, Mikkeli

## Kainuu Brigade, Kajaani

- Regional Office, Oulu
- Regional Office, Kuopio
- Regional Office, Joensuu

**Jaeger Brigade**, Sodankylä Rovaniemi

- Regional Office, Rovaniemi







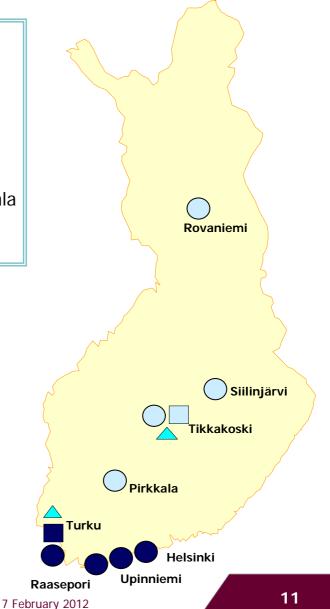
# Navy and Air Force 2015 - Basis for Continued Planning

#### Air Force AIR FORCE COMMAND 4 BRIGADE-LEVEL/EQUIV. UNITS MILITARY BAND

- Air Force Command, Jyväskylä (Tikkakoski)
- Fighter Brigade-level unit, Rovaniemi
- Fighter Brigade-level unit, Siilinjärvi (Rissala)
- Transportation and Research Brigade-level unit, Pirkkala
- Air Force Academy, Jyväskylä (Tikkakoski)
- Air Force Band, Jyväskylä (Tikkakoski)

#### Navy **NAVY COMMAND FINLAND** 4 BRIGADE-LEVEL/EQUIV. UNITS MILITARY BAND

- Navy Command, Turku
- Naval Brigade-level unit, Turku (Pansio)
- Coastal Brigade-level unit, Upinniemi
- **Uusimaa Brigade**, Raasepori
- Naval Academy, Helsinki (Suomenlinna)
- Navy Band, Turku







# **Lasting Savings Brought by the Reform**

The level of Defence Forces materiel investments will be lowered from the planned annual level by approximately €130-150m.

The development of performance will remain at a low level.

Structural measures	€m
Brigade-level/equiv. units, establishments and bases will be shut down and combined	60-65
Logistics will be reorganised. Functions will be organised to form an entity that covers the entire Defence Forces and overlapping capabilities will be removed	25-30
Support services will be reorganised	10-15
The command structure will be made lower	20-25
Effect at an annual level	115-135

The overall effect of the measures will control the decrease in the level of funding and the cost pressure, in total approximately €270m in 2015.





# **Ensuring General Conscription**

#### Call-ups

- Development of IT service systems
- Development of modes of operation
- More individualised treatment

#### **Conscript Training**

- Shortened by 15 days
- Increase in simulator training
- All homeward journeys free of charge

#### On average 2,5 instructors in all training troops

- Improves the quality of training
- Ensures in-service safety
- Enables more individualised training

#### **Reservist Training**

- Development of IT service systems
- Improvement of quality of refresher exercises
- Better use of know-how and volunteers





2011	DEFENCE FORCES	2015
ca. €2,450m	Annual appropriations	ca. €2,200m
350,000 ca. 15,000*	Wartime strength Peacetime personnel	ca. 230,000 ca. 12,300
27,000/y 25,000/y	Age group to be trained Trained reservists	25,000/y 18,000/y
4 51, of which 25	Number of command levels Number of administrative units Brigade-level/equiv. units to be trained	3 ca. 26, of which 16

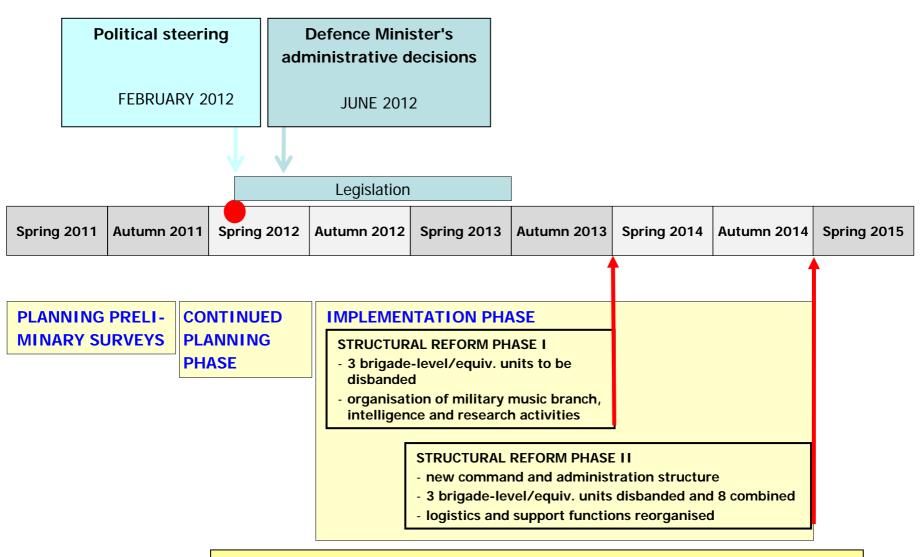
<sup>\* 1</sup> Jan. 2012 ca. 14,500

- · Maintenance of defence capability ensured
- · Level of activities restored
- Conscript training ensured
- · Activities, costs and funding in balance
- Corresponds with a decreasing wartime strength
- · Lasting structural solution
- Effective entities
- Even work distribution





### Schedule of the Defence Forces Reform





SUPPORTING THE PERSONNEL THROUGHOUT THE REFORM

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# THE DEFENCE FORCES 2015 COMMANDER'S VISION



Capable of fulfilling their duty
Close to all citizens
Use the State's resources economically
A good employer also in the future

