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Defense Diplomacy in Central Asia

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Defense Diplomacy?

The Central Asia Region



KAZAKHSTAN

UKRAINE

TURKEY

GEORGIA
Tbilisi

ARMENIA
Yerevan

AZERBAIJAN
Baku

TURKMENISTAN
Ashgabat

UZBEKISTAN
Tashkent

TAJIKISTAN
Dushanbe

KYRGYZSTAN
Bishkek

CHINA

PAKISTAN

Black Sea

Caspian Sea

Aral Sea

Nizhny Novgorod

Kazan

Ufa

Chelyabinsk

Petrovsk

Omsk

Novosibirsk

Kiev

Saratov

Samara

Oral

Agdobe

Qostanay

Pavlodar

Astana

Semey

Qskemen

Novosibirsk

Donetsk

Rostov

Volgograd

Astrakhan

Myrau

Baykonur

Qyzylorda

Saryshaghan

Almaty

Karamay

Sokhumi

Groznyy

Aqtau

Taraz

Shymkent

Tashkent

Bishkek

Aksu

Batumi

Yerevan

Sumqayit

Baku

Nukus

Urganch

Dasoguz

Tashkent

Talas

Andijon

Kashi

Aleppo

Nasirvan

Tabriz

Turkmenbasy

Balkanabat

Gyzylarbat

Turkmenabat

Navoiy

Izzax

Namangan

Qash

Mosul

Arbil

Tehr

Mashhad

Mary

Samarqand

Qarshi

Dushanbe

Qurghontoppa

Khorugh

Indian claim

Rumsfeld seeks bases in central Asia

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Regimes offered aid in return

[Ian Traynor in Moscow](#)

The Guardian Sun 4 Nov 2001 21.25 EST

Washington pressed the former Soviet states of central Asia at the weekend to allow more US troops to use their bases as a bridgehead for military operations in northern [Afghanistan](#).

Visiting Tajikistan and Uzbekistan, which share 900 miles of frontier with Afghanistan, the US defence secretary, Donald Rumsfeld, promised tens of millions of dollars in US aid to the central Asian states in return for an expanded US military role.

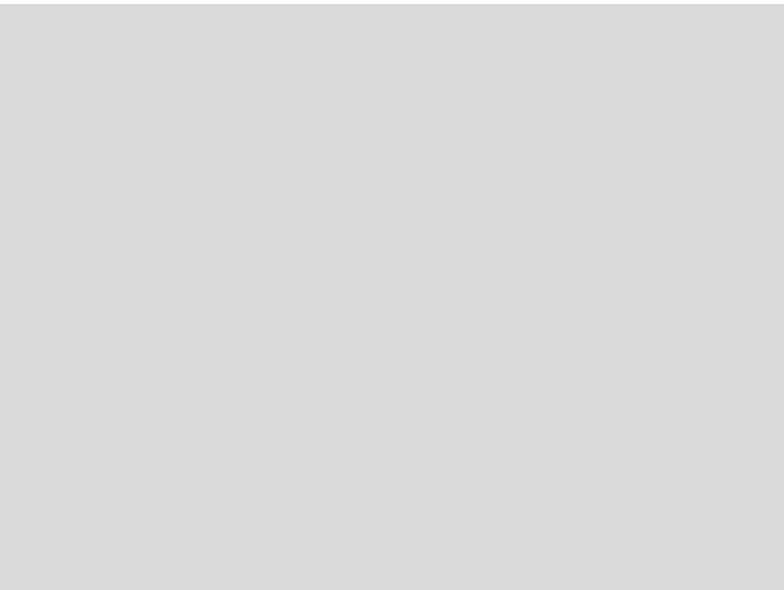
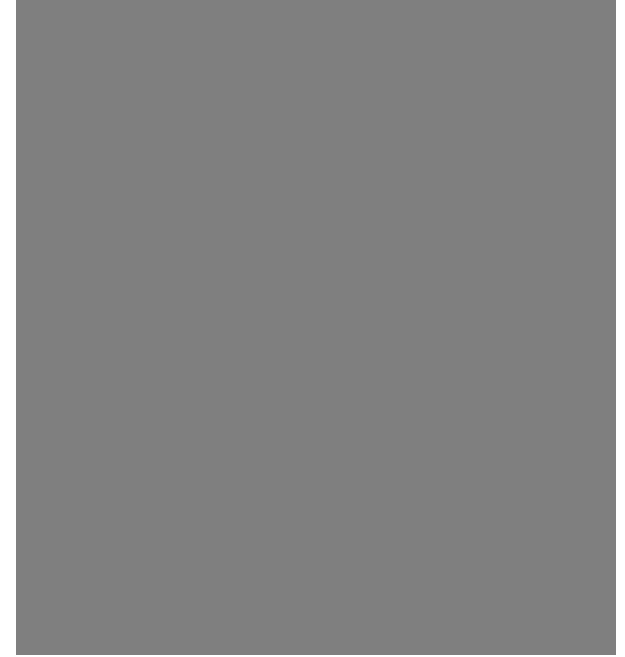


The Challenge



The Solution and Toolbox









Takeaways

QUESTIONS?

FY2024 budget authority:
\$7,048.5 billion (est.)

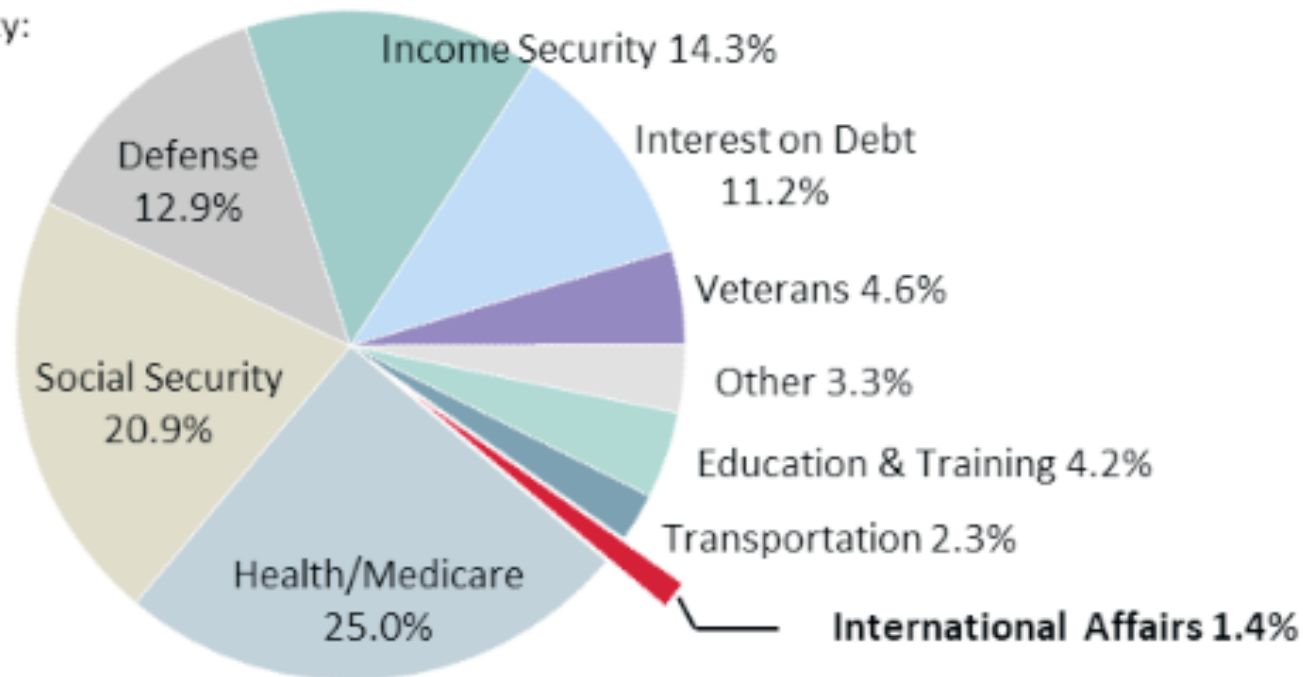
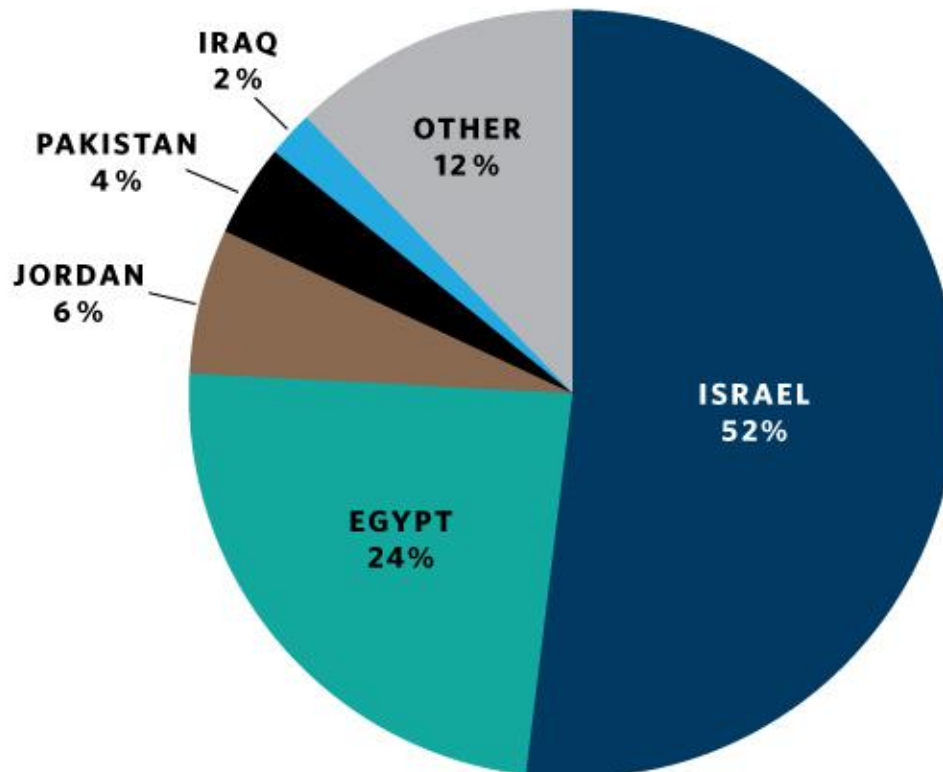


FIGURE 1

Top Foreign Military Financing Recipients Since FY2001



SOURCE: Data provided by the Security Assistance Monitor at the Center for International Policy; also available through their databases at <https://securityassistance.org/databases-2/>.