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### **Afghan National Police Crime Management College funded by the European Union inaugurated**

*A € 3.0 million investment by the EU will provide  
more efficient and up-to-date specialist criminal investigation training  
of a professional and committed Afghan National Police*

*Kabul, 17 March 2014*

Today, the European Union Special Representative and Head of the EU Delegation to Afghanistan Ambassador Franz-Michael Mellbin together with Deputy Minister of Mol Lieutenant General Ikramuddin Yawar and Head of EU Police Mission Karl Åke Roghe inaugurated the Afghan National Police Crime Management College.

The Crime Management College and the new Afghan Police Staff College funded by the European Union were handed over to the Ministry of Interior in February 2014.

"The training institution is a significant contribution to prepare the leadership of the Afghan National Police to maintain security, prevent and investigate crimes." said Ambassador Franz-Michael Mellbin at the opening ceremony in Kabul today.

Ambassador Franz-Michael highlighted the important role of Afghan National Police during election and said: "Election security is a national priority and essential to a fair and democratic electoral process. It will test the strength and determination of the Afghan police service."

Speaking at the ceremony, the Deputy Interior Affairs Minister on Administration, Lieutenant General Ikramuddin Yawar, said: "The Crime Management College enables targeted specialist training in crime investigation techniques. Supporting, equipping, developing and expanding this college has guaranteed a comprehensive investigation of criminal acts and identifying those committing crime in the future. Therefore, the Ministry of Interior Affairs thanks the EU Delegation."

On this occasion, the Head of the European Union Police Mission in Afghanistan, Karl Åke Roghe, also stated: "To date, at the temporary Crime Management College over 3,500 students have been trained and graduated so far by EUPOL Afghanistan trainers, including detectives from the ANP, MOI and wider partner organizations such as the Afghan Independent Human Rights Commission and Family Response Units. The new dedicated building provides a modern learning environment for the development of expertise in Investigative Techniques and delivery of Investigative Training."



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"Now the detectives have not only a centre of excellence but also a home."

"EUPOL together with their Afghan colleagues will focus now on specialist training in Crime Investigation and Forensic Techniques. I know these skills are very much needed. Only if the Afghan detectives can ensure that their collection of evidence from crime scenes stands up in court, criminals can be prosecuted and brought eventually to justice. Unfortunately, currently some of the criminal and corruption cases are being lost in court due to lack of evidence. This is why the education of detectives is of such of importance to Afghanistan" ", added Head of the European Union Police Mission in Afghanistan Karl Åke Roghe.

The following fact sheet is available in English and Dari and Pashto:

- THE CRIME MANAGEMENT COLLEGE AND ITS TRAINING ROLE  
The educational and training institution, the temporary facility and the future

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