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Cooperation of Civil and Military Staffs in the International Crisis Management - Point of View of the German Armed Forces -

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Five Areas:

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Supporting function for military operations outside Germany (CIMIC):

- Traditional area of CIMIC (NATO, national, EU)
- Establishing liaison to all civilian players
- Providing small benefit-projects
- Organizing development projects (if tasked)
- [Have to keep up vital functions for the population in areas under military control, acc. to humanitarian law, if NGOs are not able]



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Crisis management for disaster relief within Germany:

- **Responsibility of the Ministry of Interior**
- **Bundeswehr only supporting, if needed and within means and possibilities**
- **Support has to be paid by the supported administration**
- **Unique limitations by German constitution: Support in Law Enforcement functions not possible to prevent disasters from happening**



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(Non-)Military humanitarian operations outside Germany:

- **Responsibility of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs**
- **Supporting humanitarian disaster relief by order of the government (if only the forces have the means to do it timely)**
- **No military weapons, no law enforcement**
- **Reimbursed by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs**



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Support for EU-internal disaster relief:

- **Responsibility of the Ministry of Interior**
- **Part of EU-regulations**
- **Providing technical support**
- **On request of an EU-member nation**
- **Reimbursement by the requesting nation**



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Integrated Missions for future EU Crisis- Management-Operations:

- New type of operation, to meet the requirements of the Petersberg Agreement
- Planned from the beginning as a combined operation by military and civilian elements
- EU Battle Group as the military part
- Policemen, Administrators, Judges and others (e.g. GOs) as the civilian part
- NGOs invited to participate



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