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## ANBP Ammunition Handover Ceremony to the Ministry of Defence (MoD)

**Balkh, 17 July 2007:** Afghanistan's New Beginnings Programme (ANBP) will hand over custodianship of the Ammunition Collection Point (ACP) in Deh Dadi, Mazar-e Sharif to the Ministry of Defence (MoD) on Tuesday, 17 July. This handover marks the final of eight ACPs to be transferred to the MoD.

The ceremony will take place in Dehdadi ACP, Depoyee Mamr-e Hawayee (Air Force Fuel Station) at 10:00 A.M. Located in Balkh province, the ACP contains over 1,600 metric tonnes of different types of ammunition.

The ceremony will include attendance by: Balkh Governor Atah Mohammad Noor; Corps Commander Murad Ali Murad from MoD and his other colleagues; representatives of the Provincial Council, Security and Police Departments, PRT, ISAF, UN/ANBP, DIAG Joint Secretariat, and other regional guests.

Media who are interested in attending the event may contact the below persons for details and coordination of event coverage. Interested media should submit their contact lists for in Kabul or in the region.

It is requested from all the respective Media representatives attend on time .

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*A nationwide project for the destruction of anti-personnel mines and ammunition was launched in July 2005 when the Government of Afghanistan and the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) signed an agreement on Anti-Personnel Mine & Ammunition Stockpile Destruction. Since the inception of the project over 15,000 tonnes of ammunition and approximately 500,000 Anti-Personnel mines have been destroyed.*

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