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## DRAFT SOLUTION

### OPERATIONS IN AFGHANISTAN

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The Assembly,

1. **Recognizing** that the stabilization of Afghanistan is in the strategic interest of the Allies and the countries in the region;
2. **Commending** the efforts of the Allies so far to bring peace and stability to Afghanistan;
3. **Recognizing** the contributions of all Allies and 11 other countries to both the NATO-led International Security Assistance Force (ISAF) and Operation Enduring Freedom;
4. **Commending** the Government of Afghanistan and the international community for conducting the first national presidential election in the history of the country;
5. But **recognizing** that the task is far from complete and will require a long-term commitment and additional resources;
6. **Understanding** that the mission in Afghanistan represents NATO's first truly out-of-area mission;
7. **Further understanding** that the Allies made specific commitments at the Istanbul summit to provide additional troops and support to the mission in Afghanistan;
8. **Noting** that although national forces have been committed, they are not of the nature requested by the command on the ground, which specifically underlined the need for a mobile brigade;
9. **Further noting** that stability will be difficult to achieve unless much more is done to control the national police and the independent power of certain key regional warlords;

10. **Recognizing** that the Afghan government cannot do this without large-scale international assistance over a period of years;

11. **Further recognizing** that the Alliance has to a large extent staked its credibility on the success of this mission;

12. **URGES** member governments and parliaments of the North Atlantic Alliance to make a long-term commitment to the stabilization of Afghanistan by;

- a. committing a larger and more mobile force to Afghanistan for at least one year;
  - b. working with the Afghan government to identify and bring under control the regional warlords who threaten the viability of the nation;
  - c. actively supporting efforts to reduce heroin production and trafficking in Afghanistan.
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