



Burkina Faso

Demographics:

Population: 13,228,460 (July 2003 est.)

Area: 274,200 sq km

Government: Parliamentary republic



Army

Personnel:

Active: 5,800

Organization:

6 Military Regions

5 infantry 'regiments': HQ, 3 'battalions' (each 1 company of 5 platoon)

1 airborne 'regiment': HQ, 1 'battalion', 2 companies

1 tank 'battalion': 2 platoons

1 artillery 'battalion': 2 troops

1 engineer 'battalion'

Equipment:

RECCE: 15 AML-60/-90, 24 EE-9 Cascavel, 8 M-8, 2 M-20, 30 Ferret

APC: 13 M-3

TOWED ARTY: 105mm: 8 M-101; **122mm:** 6

MRL: 107mm: ~4 PRC Type-63

MOR: 81mm: Brandt

RL: 89mm: LRAC, M-20

RCL: 75mm: PRC Type-52; **84mm:** Carl Gustav

AD GUNS: 14.5mm: 30 ZPU; **20mm:** 12 TCM-20

SAM SA-7

Forces Abroad:

UN AND PEACEKEEPING

DROC (MONUC): 11 observers

Air Force *Force Aérienne de Burkina Faso*

Personnel: 200

Bases: Bobo Dioulasso, Ougadougou

Inventory:

Aérospatiale SA-316B Alouette III (1)

Cessna F172N (1)

Cessna F337E (1)

Eurocopter AS-350B Ecureuil (1)

Hawker-Siddeley HS.748 Andover (2)

Mil Mi-8 'Hip' (3)

Nord N-262C Frégate (2)

SIAI-Marchetti SF-260W Warrior (4)

Boeing 727 (VIP) (1)

Paramilitary

Personnel: 4,4,50 active

Organization:

GENDARMERIE: 4,200

SECURITY COMPANY (CRG): 250

PEOPLE'S MILITIA (Reserves): 45,000 trained