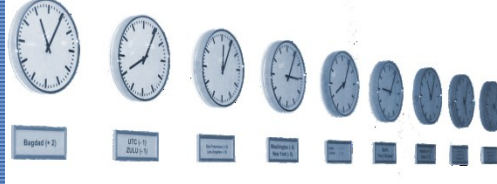


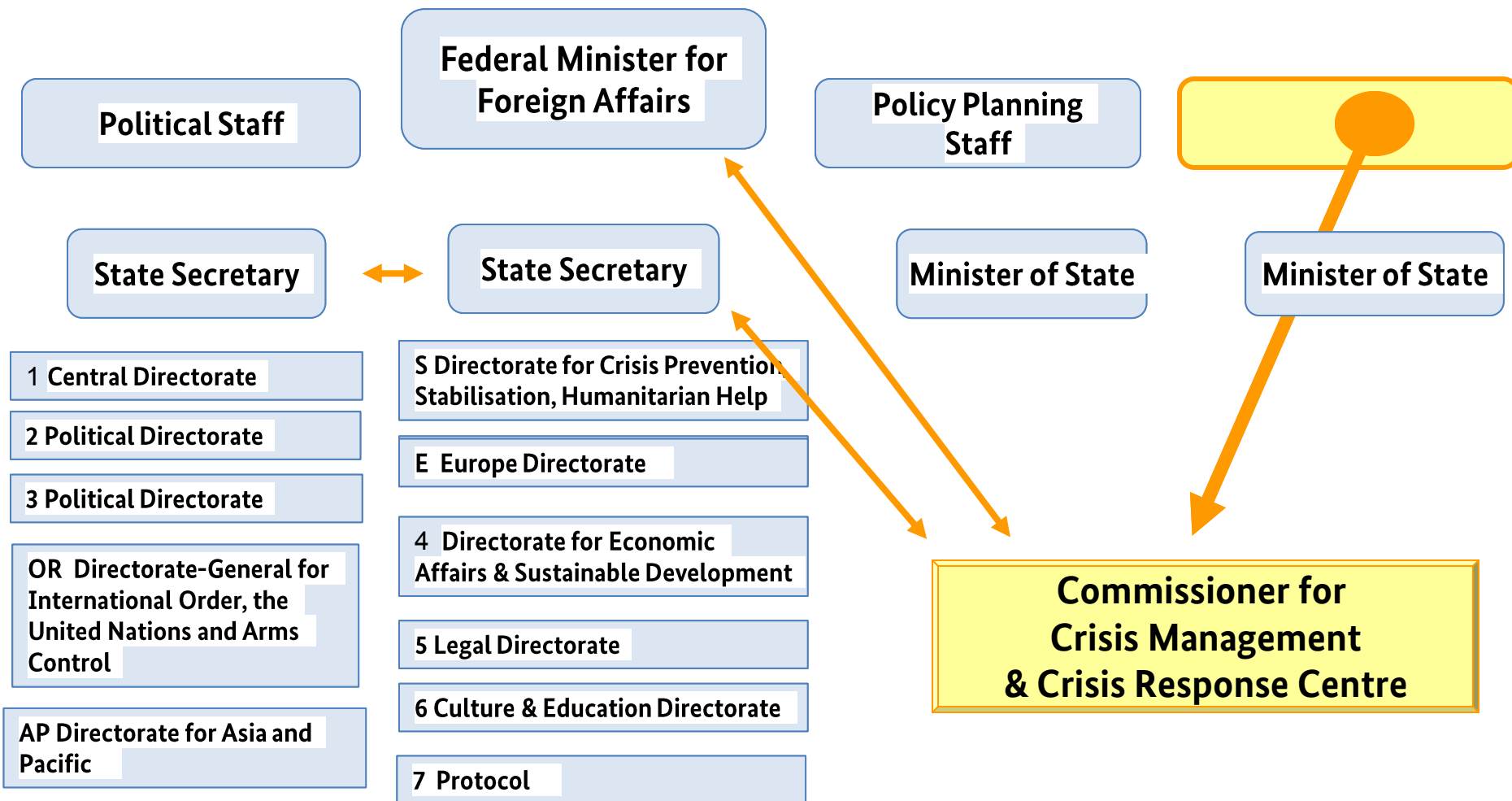


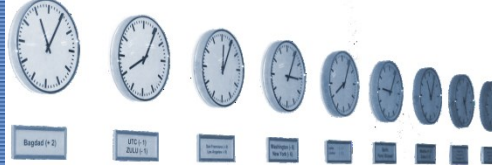
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Richard Stier
December 7th, 2018



The Crisis Response Centre at the Federal Foreign Office





Commissioner

Head of Division

Situation Centre

Crisis Response

**Contingency
Planning**

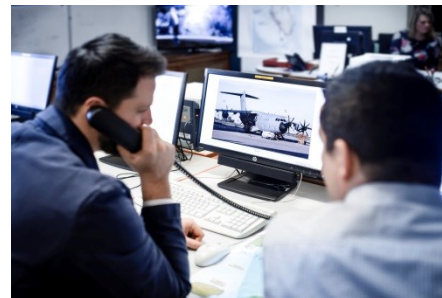
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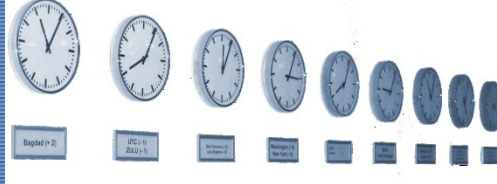
**Citizens'
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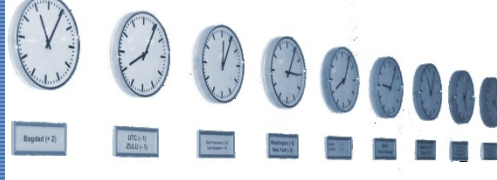




Tasks of the Crisis Response Centre

- 24 h **monitoring** of media and Embassy reports (Situation Centre)
- Providing situation reports
- **Precautionary measures**
- Travel and security **advice and warnings**
- **Crisis response** (e.g. evacuation operations)
- **Liaising** with other government agencies and the private sector
- Constituting a **task force** for each crisis
- IT services, maps and satellite photographs
- **Help desk**
(travel advice, information on Embassies, visa requirements and consular issues by phone or e-mail)





Crisis Task Forces

2015

- Iraq
- Yemen
- Venezuela
- Boko Haram
- Germanwings crash
- Nepal
- Burundi
- Sousse
- Burkina Faso
- DR Congo
- Egypt
- Paris
- Chad
- special situations

2016

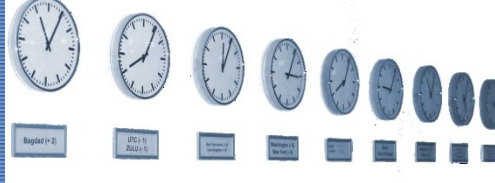
- Egypt
- Turkey
- Zika virus
- Mali
- Venezuela
- West Africa
- Brussels
- Burkina Faso
- Chad
- South Sudan
- Nice
- Bangladesh
- Thailand
- Italy
- special situations

2017

- Istanbul
- The Gambia
- Bangladesh
- London
- St. Petersburg
- Turkey
- Chad
- Korean Peninsula
- South Sudan
- Burundi
- Yemen
- Kabul
- Qatar
- Venezuela
- Kenya
- Barcelona
- Hurricane Irma
- Pakistan
- special situations

2018

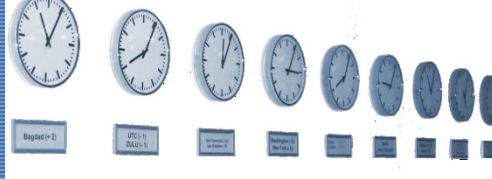
- Iran
- Olympic Games (S.Korea)
- Venezuela
- Worldcup Russia
- Nicaragua
- Airport Tripoli
- Sulawesi
- Ouadagougou
- Haiti
- Mali
- Madagascar
- Hurricanes Michael & Florence
- Pakistan
- Ebola
- special situations



Diplomatic Evacuation from South Sudan

July 13th, 2016





Situation in South Sudan

Violence escalates since 8th of July, 2016



President Salva **Kiir**
(Dinka)

Armed battles between two rival fractions



- gunfire from different quarters, moving across Juba like a thunderstorm after fifth anniversary of the country's independence
- heavy bombardments by KIIR helicopters
- thousands of heavily armed young men following both leaders



Former Vice-president
Riek **Machar** (Nuer)

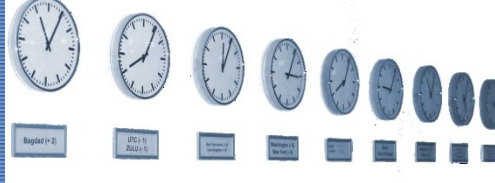


More than 300 people had been killed

2 UN peacekeepers among those killed



Foreign governments scrambled to
get their citizens out of South Sudan
under precarious conditions

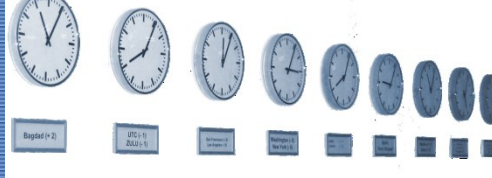


Situation Room

8th of July:

- Staffing of situation room
- Exchanges with various EU MS and the US
- Decision for Crisis Task Force





Crisis Task Force

- comes together multiple times over the course of the crisis
- decides to increase the crisis level of the German Embassy in Juba
- leads to the evacuation of German citizens and EU nationals in South Sudan, the German Embassy and other German Missions





Crisis Support Team

**crisis support teams
(KUT)**



support mission in crisis: prepare and execute evacuation

11th of July:

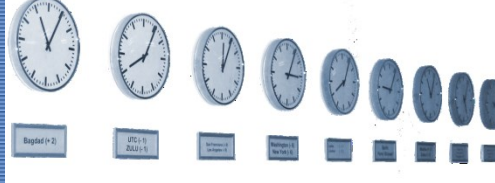
- Crisis Support Team leaves Berlin

12th of July:

- Planning procedure of evacuation
- Consolidation of Germans and EU nationals in Embassy
- Informing international partners of planned evacuation

Members of the Crisis Support Team

- Colleague from Foreign Ministry
- Military Police (6 persons)
- Doctors (2 persons)
- Rescue assistants (2 persons)
- NEO planner (2 persons), planning officer and IT sergeant
- Additional air crews and air mobile protection team

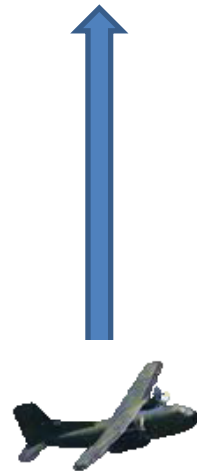
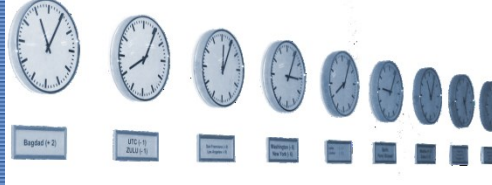


Evacuation

13th of July:

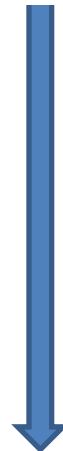
- four evacuation flights from Juba to Entebbe
- Embassy publishes its closure
- travel warning issued via the Travel and Security Advises





153 passengers were evacuated

- 32 Germans
- FRA, ITA, AUT, ROM, POR, CHE, MLT, CZE, NDL, NOR, ESP, AUT, GBR, FIN, DNK, ISR, AUS, CAN
- Ambassador Lehne and two embassy workers
- four injured UN soldiers (CHN, ETH)





Consular Protection Directive

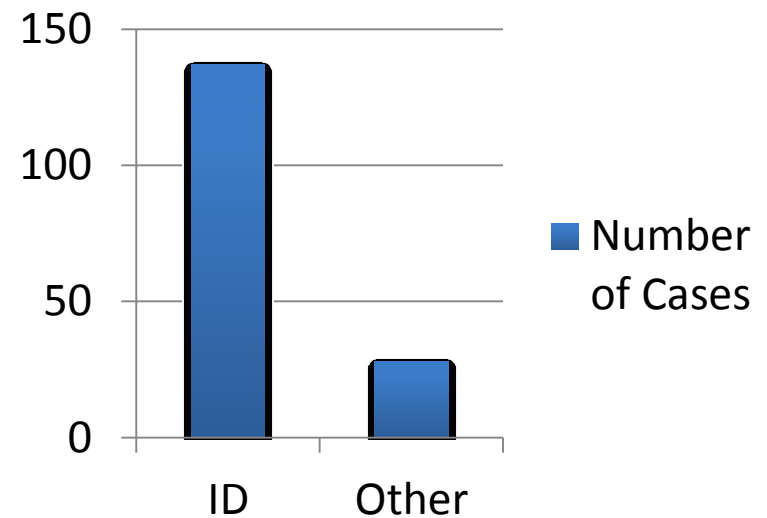
DIRECTIVES

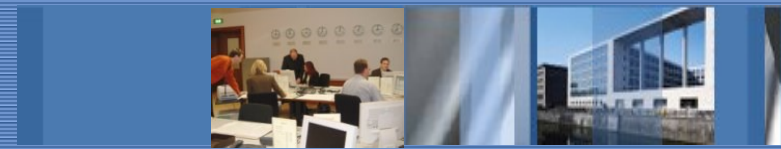
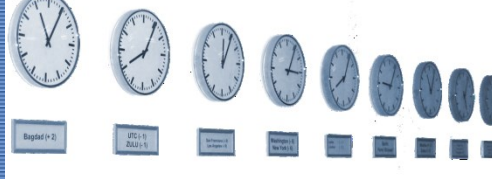
COUNCIL DIRECTIVE (EU) 2015/637
of 20 April 2015

on the coordination and cooperation measures to facilitate consular protection for unrepresented citizens of the Union in third countries and repealing Decision 95/553/EC

- Consular Protection Directive was integrated into German Consular Directives
 - did not change German practices
- Germany does not issue ETD's due to security concerns
- in 2015, Germany answered 1/6 of all requests for help under the Directive (most of all MS)
- in 2017, Germany assisted in 165 cases

Types of Requests for Assistance





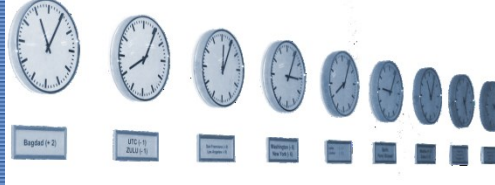
Financing under the Consular Protection Directive

- Costs of German Crisis Support Team assisting EU nationals in the aftermath of Hurricane Irma, 2017
 - total costs: € 701,875
 - EC contribution: 55%

European Commission
Directorate General
Humanitarian Aid and
Civil Protection
Union Civil Protection Mechanism.

BUDGET OF THE ACTION

Part A: Eligible costs	€	Part B: Financing Plan	€	% of eligible costs
Costs according to detailed description of budget items	701.875,00	Requested EC contribution	386.031,25	55,00%
		Contribution of the applicant (beneficiary)	315.843,75	45,00%
		Other sources of funding	0,00	0,00%
TOTAL ELIGIBLE COSTS	701.875,00	TOTAL	701.875,00	



Thank you for your interest and your attention !



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