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UK forces are shifting their main effort from framework security to security sector reform. The purpose of this shift in emphasis is to create the conditions to transfer responsibility for provincial security to the Iraqis from autumn this year.

The disposition of UK forces over the next six months will reflect this shift in emphasis. This means that about 60% of our troops will be fully dedicated to security sector reform and available for security sector reform work alongside other tasks; this compares with just 33% prior to the roulement.