

Small Arms Survey 2010: Chapter 4

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Annexe 3. Dormant groups, with combatants where known and estimated firearms

Region	Group	Principle country	Type	Previously active combatants	Est. small arms and light weapons rate	Est. total small arms and light weapons	Current status	Sources*
Americas	Túpac Amaru Revolutionary Movement (MRTA)	Peru	revolutionary				dormant	Peru Guerrilla Leader Convicted,' BBC News, 22 March 2006.
	United Self-Defense Forces of Colombia (AUC)	Colombia	paramilitary				dormant	
	various militias	United States	libertarian	6,000	4.0	24,000	dormant	James B. Kelleher and Ed Stoddard, 'Special Report: Rapid Growth of Militias Feeds off Politics,' Reuters, 28 April 2010. Firearms rate based on various reports, assumed to be low.
Central and South Asia	Afghanistan militias	Afghanistan	ethnic/economic	165,000	1.6	264,000	dormant	Averaged from Atiq Sarwari and Robert D. Crews, 'Epilogue,' in Robert D. Crews and Amin Tarzi, eds., <i>The Taliban and the Crisis of Afghanistan</i> , Cambridge, Massachusetts: Harvard University Press, 2008: 'In 2002 roughly 1 out of every 7 Afghan men of military age was potentially attached to a militia, including 75,000 to 250,000 employed principally as fighters,' p. 325; Michael Bhatia, et al., 'DDR in Afghanistan: When State-building and Insecurity Collide' in <i>Small Arms Survey 2009: Shadows of War</i> , Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2009, pp. 286, 298, 310: says 100,000 small arms and light weapons were removed from 63,000 members of armed groups, 2003–08, p. 294; DDR in Afghanistan was based on assumption of 50,000 to 250,000 militia members.
	Shanti Bahini/Peace Force	Bangladesh	revolutionary	3,000			disbanded	
	Bodo Liberation Tigers (BLT)	India	separatist	2,600	0.5	1,300	surrendered	

	Bru National Liberation Front (BNLF, Mizoram)	India	separatist			surrendeed	2641 combatants surrendered in 2003. Wikipedia, Bodo Liberation Tigers. Memorandum of Settlement on Bodoland Territorial Council, 10 February 2003, signed by Government of India, Government of Assam, and Bodo Liberation Tigers Force.
	National Socialist Council of Nagaland-Isaac Muivah (NSCN-IM)	India	separatist	2,250	0.5	1,125 ceasefire	Bibhu Prasad Routray, 'Northeast: Island of Peace and Ocean of Conflict,' in D. Suba Chandran and P.R. Chari, eds., <i>Armed Conflicts in South Asia 2008</i> , London: Routledge, 2008, p. 165.
	National Socialist Council of Nagaland-Khaplang (NSCN-K)	India	separatist	1,100	0.5	550 ceasefire	Bibhu Prasad Routray, 'Northeast: Island of Peace and Ocean of Conflict,' in D. Suba Chandran and P.R. Chari, eds., <i>Armed Conflicts in South Asia 2008</i> , London: Routledge, 2008, p. 162.
	Jund Allah/God's Brigade	Pakistan	Islamist				Bibhu Prasad Routray, 'Northeast: Island of Peace and Ocean of Conflict,' in D. Suba Chandran and P.R. Chari, eds., <i>Armed Conflicts in South Asia 2008</i> , London: Routledge, 2008, pp. 161–62; ceasefire on p. 154.
	Hizb ut-Tahrir/Islamic Party of Liberation	Uzbekistan	Islamist				
East Asia	Free Aceh Movement/Tentara Nasional Aceh (GAM)	Indonesia	separatist	2,000	0.5	1,000 disbanded	
	Laskar Jihad	Indonesia	Islamist	2,000	1.6	3,200 dormant	
	Malaysian Mujahideen Group (KMM)	Malaysia	Islamist			dormant	
	Kachin Independence Army (KIA)	Myanmar	separatist	4,000	1.6	6,400 ceasefire	
	Mong Thai Army (MTA)	Myanmar	separatist	3,000	1.6	4,800 ceasefire	Thomas Fuller, "Ethnic Groups in Myanmar Hope for Peace, but Gird for Fight," <i>The New York Times</i> , 11 May 2009.
	Shan State Army (SSA)/Shan State Progress Army (SSPA)	Myanmar	separatist	3,000	1.6	4,800 ceasefire	
	United Wa State Army (UWSA)	Myanmar	separatist	15,000	1.6	24,000 ceasefire	20,000 according to 'United Wa State Army,' <wikipedia.org>
	Moro Islamic Liberation Front (MILF, Mindinao)	Philippines	Islamist	2,900	1.6	4,640 ceasefire	Moro Islamic Liberation Front,' <http://www.fas.org/irp/world/para/milf.htm>
	Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam (LTTE)	Sri Lanka	nationalist				
	Albanian National Army (ANA)	Albania	separatist			most disbanded	
Europe	White Legion and Forest Brothers	Georgia	nationalist			dormant	

	Liberation Army of Presevo, Medvedja and Bujanovac (UCPMB)	Kosovo	separatist	800	1.6	1,280	dormant	
	Kosovo Liberation Army (KLA)	Kosovo	nationalist				dormant	
	National Liberation Army (NLA)	Macedonia	nationalist				dormant	
	Chetniks/Cetnici	Serbia	nationalist				dormant	
	Serbian Guard/Srpska Garda (SG)	Serbia	nationalist	11,000	1.2	13,200	dormant	
	The Surcin Group	Serbia	criminal					
	Tigers	Serbia	nationalist	10,000	1.2	12,000	disbanded	
	White Eagles/Beli Orlovi	Serbia	nationalist				dormant	
	Zemun Clan	Serbia	criminal	200	0.5	100	dormant	
	Irish Republican Army (IRA)	United Kingdom	sectarian	250	0.5	125	dormant	
	Loyalist Volunteer Force (LVF)	United Kingdom	sectarian	300	0.5	150		
	Ulster Defence Association (UDA)/Ulster Freedom Fighters (UFF)	United Kingdom	sectarian				dormant	
Middle East	Awakening Councils	Iraq	sectarian	103,000	1.6	164,800	dormant	Current umbrella for most former Sunni insurgents. At its peak in 2008, the Awakening Movement included 103,000 Sunnis, from 779 local militias ranging in size from 10 to 800 armed fighters. Thomas E. Ricks, <i>The Gamble: General Petraeus and the American Military Adventure in Iraq</i> , revised edn, New York: Penguin, 2010, pp. 202, 215, 264. The plan was to incorporate some into the Iraqi Army. Other sources report 80,000 members. Alissa J. Rubin and Damien Cave, 'In a Force for Iraqi Calm, Seeds of Conflict,' <i>The New York Times</i> , 23 December 2007.
	Jabha at-tahrir al-arabia/Arab Liberation Front	Palestinian Territories	nationalist	500	0.5	250	dormant	IISS, <i>Military Balance 2009</i> , London: Routledge, p. 472.
	Kahane Chai/Kach	Israel	sectarian				dormant	
	Kurdestan Organisation of the Communist Party of Iran (KOMALA)	Iran	revolutionary				dormant	

	Mahdi Army/Jaish al-Mahdi (JEM)	Iraq	sectarian	60,000	1.6	96,000 dormant	60,000 from Thomas E. Ricks and Ann Scott Tyson, 'Intensified Combat on Streets Likely,' <i>Washington Post</i> , 11 January 2007. Very rapid growth, discussed in 'Al-Mahdi Army/Active Religious Seminary/Al-Sadr's Group,' < http://www.globalsecurity.org/military/world/para/al-sadr.htm >
	Sahrawi People's Liberation Army (SPLA)	Morocco	separatist	4,500	0.5	2,250 dormant	
Africa**	Front for the Liberation of the Enclave of Cabinda (FLEC-FAC)	Angola	separatist	300	0.5	150 ceasefire	
	Renovada Front for the Liberation of Cabinda-Renewed (FLEC-Renovada)	Angola	separatist	250	0.5	125 ceasefire	
	National Union for the Total Independence of Angola (UNITA)	Angola	nationalist	5,000	1.6	8,000 peace agreement	
	Armed Forces of the Congolese People (FAPC)	DRC		4,000	0.5	2,000 reintegrated	
	Revolutionary Congolese Movement (MRC)	DRC		1,200	0.5	600 reintegrated	4,000 Fighters in Early 2005,' disarmed and integrated into national armed force. In 'People's Armed Forces of Congo,' < wikipedia.org >
	Congolese Rally for Democracy-Liberation Movement (RCD-ML)	DRC				dormant	3,500 total members reported for FNI, FRPI, and MRC, in 'DR Congo: Ex-militia Members Agree to Disarm,' United Nations, 22 August 2007.
	Former Government of Liberia militias and paramilitaries	Liberia				dormant	
	Liberians United for Reconciliation and Democracy (LURD)	Liberia				dormant	
	Movement for Democracy in Liberia (MODEL)	Liberia				disarmed	Nicolas Florquin and Eric G. Berman, eds., <i>Armed and Aimless: Armed Groups, Guns, and Human Security in the ECOWAS Region</i> , Geneva: Small Arms Survey, 2005, p. 301.
	Revolutionary United Front (RUF)	Liberia				disarmed	
	Bakassi Boys and associated groups	Nigeria	criminal			dormant	
	Egbesu Boys of Africa (EBA)	Nigeria	economic			dormant	

Armed Forces Revolutionary Council (AFRC)	Sierra Leone					dormant	
Civil Defence Force (CDF)	Sierra Leone						
Independent RUF (RUF-I)	Sierra Leone		500	0.5	250	ceasefire	
Revolutionary United Front (RUF)	Sierra Leone					disarmed	
West Side Boys (WSB)	Sierra Leone					dormant	
Islamic Courts Union (ICU)	Somalia	Islamist	3,000	1.6	4,800	dormant	
Somali Democratic Movement (SDM)	Somalia	clan				dormant	Replaced by Shabaab. Private communication from Ken Menkhaus, 9 September 2009.
Somali National Alliance (SNA)	Somalia	clan				dormant	
Somali National Front (SNF)	Somalia	clan				dormant	
Somali Patriotic Movement (SPM)	Somalia	clan				dormant	

<i>totals</i>			<i>410,650</i>			<i>645,895</i>	
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* Source (unless otherwise indicated): International Institute for Strategic Studies Armed Conflict Database: Non-State Armed Groups

** For some groups in Africa, this research has not yet identified clear types.