

Security Assistance Training Integration (SATI)

Training Considerations

1. Initial Training

Partner nations should consider the necessity of operational and maintenance training with the initial LOR. If the system is standard to the U.S., training quotas may be available at U.S. schoolhouses. For U.S. Army training, student seats can be requested via a training case with the Security Assistance Training and Fielding Activity (SATFA). If requested by the partner nation, the U.S. Army may also be able to support Technical Assistance Fielding Teams (TAFT), New Equipment Training Teams (NETT), and Mobile Training Teams (MTT) for standard U.S. Army systems.

If desired, schoolhouse training is typically offered in English, and a minimum English Comprehension Level (ECL) is required. If the ECL cannot be met, ECL courses are available and can be taught in-country (via separate LOR), or at the Defense Language Institute (DLI). Important considerations for initial training include:

- a. Standard and Non-Standard Systems:
 - i. Do we require initial training for operator personnel?
 - ii. Do we require initial training for maintenance personnel?
 1. If so, are specific disciplines required? (e.g. electrical, powertrain)
 - iii. How many personnel do we require to be trained?
 - iv. When do we want the training(s) to occur?
 - v. Where do we want these personnel trained? CONUS, in-country, or both?
- b. Standard U.S. Systems Only
 - i. Do we want contractor training, U.S. training, or a combination of both? If contractor is required, do we want a specific contractor? If so, a sole source should be provided.
 - ii. If schoolhouse is desired, do we need ECL training?
 - iii. Are we interested in U.S. Army NETT, MTT, or TAFT to aid our training plans?
- c. Non-standard Systems Only
 - i. Is there a specific vendor we want to conduct the training? If so, it should be specified in the original equipment LOR.

2. Follow on Training:

Most partners utilize a train the trainer approach to fulfill training requirements, and while initial training is included in the LOA, it is also important to consider follow on training when submitting the initial LOR. When an LOR is being prepared for additional training, the following questions should be asked:

- a. Standard Systems
 - i. How many students do we project sending to the schoolhouse each year?
 - ii. Do we project needing additional MTTs or extending our TAFT?
- b. Non-Standard Systems
 - i. When will we need additional training?

When the date is established, it is recommended that an LOR be submitted for a defined order case using the same considerations identified in the initial training section under non-standard systems. For the U.S. Army, nonstandard training will require a stand-alone contract, which can take, at a minimum, 8-12 months to award. This makes it important to provide the LOR for non-standard training as soon as possible.

