Renewed Danish contribution to NATO’s enhanced Forward Presence in 2020

What will the renewed contribution look like?
The renewed Danish contribution of approx. 200 soldiers is expected to deploy around the turn of 2019/2020 for a duration of 12 months.

The contribution will resemble the current Danish contribution to eFP in Estonia which includes:
- an armored infantry company
- a fire support team
- a logistics element
- a national support element
- a military police station
- staff officers

What is enhanced Forward Presence?
At the NATO-summit in Warsaw in 2016, it was decided to put in place an enhanced forward presence in Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania and Poland as a part of the Alliance’s strengthened deterrence and defence profile. The enhanced Forward Presence consists of a multinational battalion in each of the countries; Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania and Poland, lead by a framework nation.

Where is the contribution expected to be deployed in 2020?
Denmark is expected to contribute to the British lead battlegroup in Estonia where most of the Danish soldiers are expected to be stationed in the city of Tapa. Additionally, Danish staff officers are expected to be deployed with the enhanced Forward Presence Command at the British headquarters in Talinn. Danish staff officers are also expected to be deployed to the staffs of the 1st Estonian Brigade and the British lead multinational battalion, both placed at the Tapa army base.

In 2019 three Danish staff officers will be placed at relevant staffs to prepare the 2020-contribution.

Who is participating?
The United Kingdom, Canada, Germany and the United States are framework nations to the enhanced Forward Presence in Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania and Poland.

In addition to Denmark, Iceland, Belgium, Czech Republic, Croatia, France, The Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Albania, Italy, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain and Romania are contributing to the battlegroups.