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CIVIL-MILITARY COOPERATION AND THE 3D APPROACH - MYTH OR REALITY?

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Civil-Military Cooperation (CIMIC) is a hallmark of contemporary military operations, whether in the context of peace support, stabilization, or counter-insurgency campaigns. It is more and more common to see soldiers engaged in a variety of CIMIC activities, from the coordination of aid, to the delivery of relief supplies, to reconstruction, to support for economic development. In this presentation, we will examine the way in which CIMIC fits within the framework of the '3D approach' (diplomacy, development and defence) to conflict management. The presentation will focus on the Canadian case, in Kosovo and Afghanistan and will look at how government policies both reflected public expectations and guided military actions. In so doing, we will see that while the 3D approach has its merits, it is not a panacea.

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