



The Paratroopers of the 183rd Nembo in Action in Southern Kosovo

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In recent days, the Italian paratroopers of the 183rd Regiment "Nembo", a historic regiment of the Paratroopers Brigade "Folgore", have conducted an important monitoring activity in southern Kosovo, as part of the international mission KFOR (Kosovo Force). This operation is part of Italy's broader commitment to the security and stability of the Western Balkans, once again confirming the professionalism and effectiveness of our Armed Forces.

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The Italian personnel, under the command of the Regional Command West, have intensified patrolling and surveillance of the territory, with the aim of supporting security and ensuring freedom of movement for all citizens of the region. These activities not only aim to prevent possible tensions but also contribute to creating a safer and more serene environment for local communities.

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A particularly relevant aspect of this operation was the direct interaction with the civilian population and local authorities. The paratroopers of the 183rd "Nembo" had the opportunity to meet citizens, administrators, and representatives of Kosovar institutions, thus strengthening mutual trust relationships. This type of approach, based on dialogue and constant presence, is one of the fundamental pillars on which the credibility and effectiveness of the KFOR mission are founded.

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The presence of Italian soldiers, recognized as impartial and respectful of the different ethnicities and cultures present in Kosovo, continues to represent a point of reference for local stability. Monitoring and patrolling activities are an integral part of the mandate given to KFOR by United Nations Resolution 1244, approved on June 10, 1999, which establishes the mission's task to ensure security and support the country's reconstruction process.

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The command of the KFOR mission is currently entrusted to Major General Enrico Barduani, who took office on October 11, 2024. Under his leadership, the mission continues to operate with the aim of maintaining a safe and secure environment, while promoting dialogue and cooperation among the different Kosovar communities.

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Italy's commitment in Kosovo is not only military but also has a strong diplomatic and political significance. Being present on the ground means directly contributing to international peace and security, as well as consolidating Italy's position as a responsible protagonist in peace missions under the aegis of the United Nations and NATO.

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The operation recently conducted by the 183rd Regiment "Nembo" once again testifies to the level of preparation, dedication, and humanity that characterizes our paratroopers. The "Folgore" Brigade, always synonymous with excellence in military operations, once again proves to be up to the most delicate tasks, carrying on a tradition of honor and service that makes the entire country proud.

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Their presence in southern Kosovo is more than just a security activity: it is a concrete sign of solidarity, support, and hope for a region that still works today to overcome the wounds of the past and build a future of peace.

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