

The Multinational Force and Observers was established in 1981 to monitor security provisions of the 1979 Egypt-Israel Peace Treaty. In addition to Australia, other countries which provide contingents to the MFO include Britain, Colombia, Fiji, France, Italy, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Uruguay and the U.S.A. The Force Commander is Lieutenant General E. Ingebrigtsen of Norway.

Canadian participation in the MFO will contribute to the reinforcement of the peace agreement between Egypt and Israel. The treaty between the two countries, based as it is on the principle established in Security Council resolution 242 of exchanging land for peace, stands as an example of what can be achieved in the region when the political will exists. Canada remains committed to assist in the search for peace and stability in the Middle East.