News story: British and Australian military work with Vietnam People's Army

Military logistics experts from the RAF, British Army and RAAF have helped the Vietnam People's Army prepare for its peacekeeping deployment to South Sudan in 2018.

The UK, Australian and Vietnamese military staffs discussed solutions to the logistics issues and challenges the Vietnamese military will face in spring 2018, when it is envisaged that Vietnamese military medical personnel will deploy on the United Nations Mission in South Sudan (UNMISS) to replace UK medical personnel at the UN Level 2 Hospital at Bentiu.

The UK's Defence Attaché to Vietnam, Group Captain David Houghton:

The three-day discussion was part of the continued cooperation on peacekeeping issues between the UK and Vietnam.

The initial deployment of Vietnamese military personnel and critical equipment from Vietnam to Juba, South Sudan will be undertaken by the Royal Australian Air Force using a C-17 aircraft. Once on the ground in Juba, the soldiers of Vietnam People's Army will move to Bentiu where they will take over the provision of the Level 2 Hospital capability from UK military personnel.