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The primary mission of the National Guard is to protect American soil, not foreign soil.

In the mid 1980's Wasco County was taken over by terrorist group, the group had committed the largest bioterror attack in American history.
It was the National Guard that provided perimeter defense to protect the rest of Oregon as law enforcement investigated and prosecuted crimes committed.

When the US Border needed bolstered, it was the national guard that was deployed.
1916: President Woodrow Wilson deployed the National Guard in response to cross-border crime resulting from the Mexican Civil War.
2006-2008 (Operation Jump Start): President George W. Bush deployed up to 6,000 National Guard troops to the border to relieve Border Patrol agents from non-law enforcement duties, allowing them to focus on recruiting and training.
2018-Present (Operation Guardian Support): President Donald Trump initiated a federal military mission at the border, with National Guard forces assisting the U.S. Border Patrol.

When local, county and state police were over extended, it is the Nation Guard that was deployed

- > Protests of 2020 in Portland
- > Oregon State Capitol 2021
- > Possible civil unrest November 2024

The Oregon National Guard has been deployed to assist in wildfire response efforts, including

- > the Canyon Creek Complex in 2015,
- > the Chetco Bar Fire in 2017,
- > the Garner Complex Fire in 2018,
- > in response to Governor Kate Brown's emergency declaration in 2020.

2024:

- > The Oregon Department of Forestry (ODF) announced that it began mobilizing Oregon National Guard hand crews to help battle the many wildfires raging across the state.
- > On July 24, the Washington Army National Guard was called upon to help fight fires throughout Oregon.
- > On August 11, Oregon National Guardsmen from the Army and Air National Guard were requested by the Oregon Department of Forestry to help fight the Rough Patch

and Bootleg fires.

Oregon has a need for the National Guard here, we shouldn't be sending them outside of the country unless there is a dire need.