



**Serve and protect to  
build peace and security**

“ You are the backbone of your country. You are the backbone of the rule of law and good governance. Some people often say that police officers are like the stick of an old man; when people are weak to walk, when people are faced with difficulties. You will be the first ones and the last persons your people will depend on when it comes to safety and security, when it comes to social stability and security. [...] When there is disorder, confusion, insecurity, you are the brighter future. ”

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Ban Ki-moon  
United Nations Secretary-General



more than

**13,500**

police deployed in

**17**

missions

**12 DPKO**

**5 DPA**



There are **65** Formed Police Units in **8** peacekeeping operations.

they come from

**90**

**COUNTRIES**

and  
**just over**

**10%**

are  
**female**

Of **1,416** women,

**669** are in Formed Police Units

and **741** are individually deployed.

## Restoring Law and Order

Conflict and post-conflict countries are often characterized by a collapse of public law and order. United Nations Police serves to protect civilians, provides electoral and border security and management, limits the effects of transnational organized crime and investigates and prevents cases of sexual and gender-based violence. By contributing to restore public confidence in the host-State police and rule of law structures, United Nations Police creates safer environments. The United Nations commenced deploying police personnel in 1960. Currently, close to 14,000 United Nations Police are working in 12 peacekeeping operations and 5 special political missions, as well as other post-conflict and crisis situations.

The Police Division supports police components of United Nations peacekeeping and special political missions and other non-mission settings in the implementation of their mandated tasks. Housed in the Office of Rule of Law and Security Institutions in the Department of Peacekeeping Operations, the Police Division selects, recruits, deploys and rotates personnel in Missions, creates policy and guidance and defines parameters of international police peacekeeping and provides strategic and operational support, including through the Standing Police Capacity and by facilitating assessments and evaluations.



“ United Nations Police has seen an unprecedented growth in recent years... The changing nature of security and evolving threats call for a more sophisticated capacity... I would like to pay strong tribute to them [UN Police] for their courage and imagination. ”

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Hervé Ladsous  
Under-Secretary-General  
for Peacekeeping Operations



UNDER-SECRETARY-GENERAL  
DEPARTMENT OF PEACEKEEPING OPERATIONS

# UNMISS: Engaging communities to build a protective environment

Since late 2013, South Sudan has been caught in the grip of a crisis defined by horrendous violence, massive displacement and the threat of famine. One in seven people have been forced from their homes and 1.3 million remain displaced.

Over 180,000 people reside in UNMISS protection sites, where United Nations Police maintain public safety and security. One of the activities is to engage communities and build confidence through a protective environment. The photo to the right, for example, shows police officers of the Gender, Child and Vulnerable Persons Protection (GCVPP) Unit engaging children at the temporary learning space of a protection of civilians site in Juba, in July 2015.

As part of a mission-wide protection of civilians approach in South Sudan, United Nations Police implements a community policing strategy which involves the South Sudan National Police Service and community watch groups building confidence within displaced populations.

FROM THE FIELD





“ The Strategic Guidance Framework, or SGF, will lay the foundation for a new era of police peacekeeping. Why do we need it? Because UN policing differs from domestic policing. The development of the Strategic Guidance Framework is projecting a clear and crystallized vision of UNPOL’s roles and tasks. In addition, Member States will know what skill sets the UN requires and what experience they can expect their seconded officers to bring back from an UNPOL operation.

Ultimately, we hope that we will have a greater, stronger and more flexible pool of professionals serving under the UN flag and helping revive societies torn by conflict. ”

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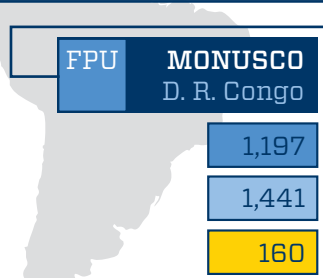
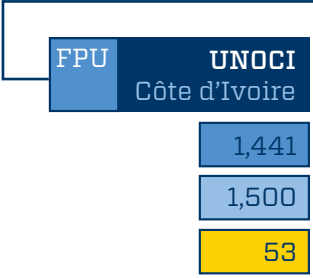
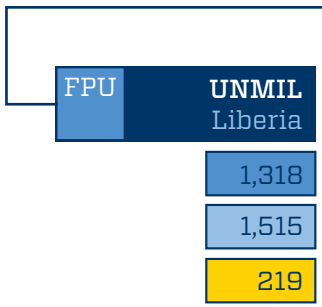
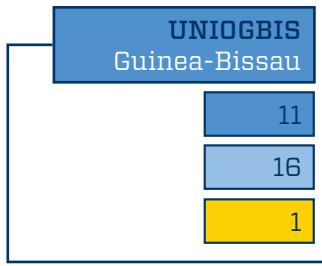
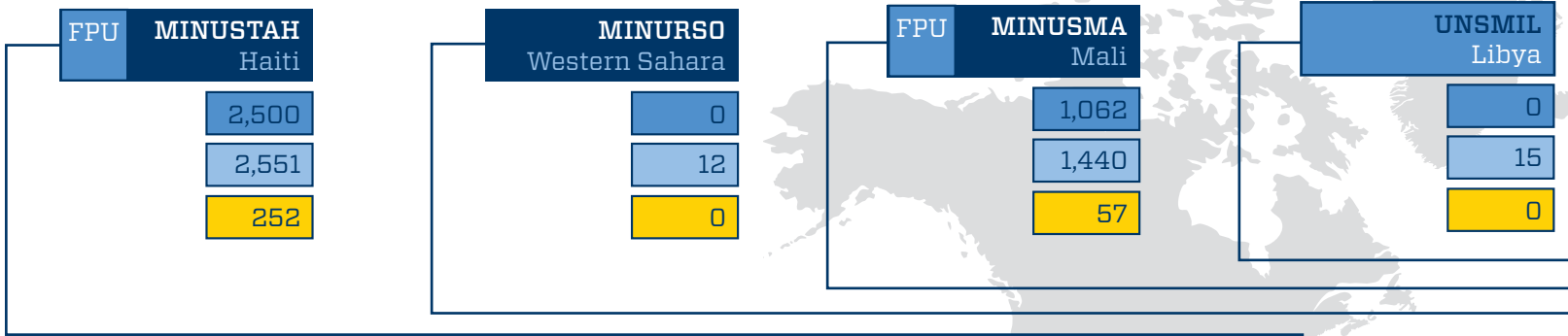
Dmitry Titov







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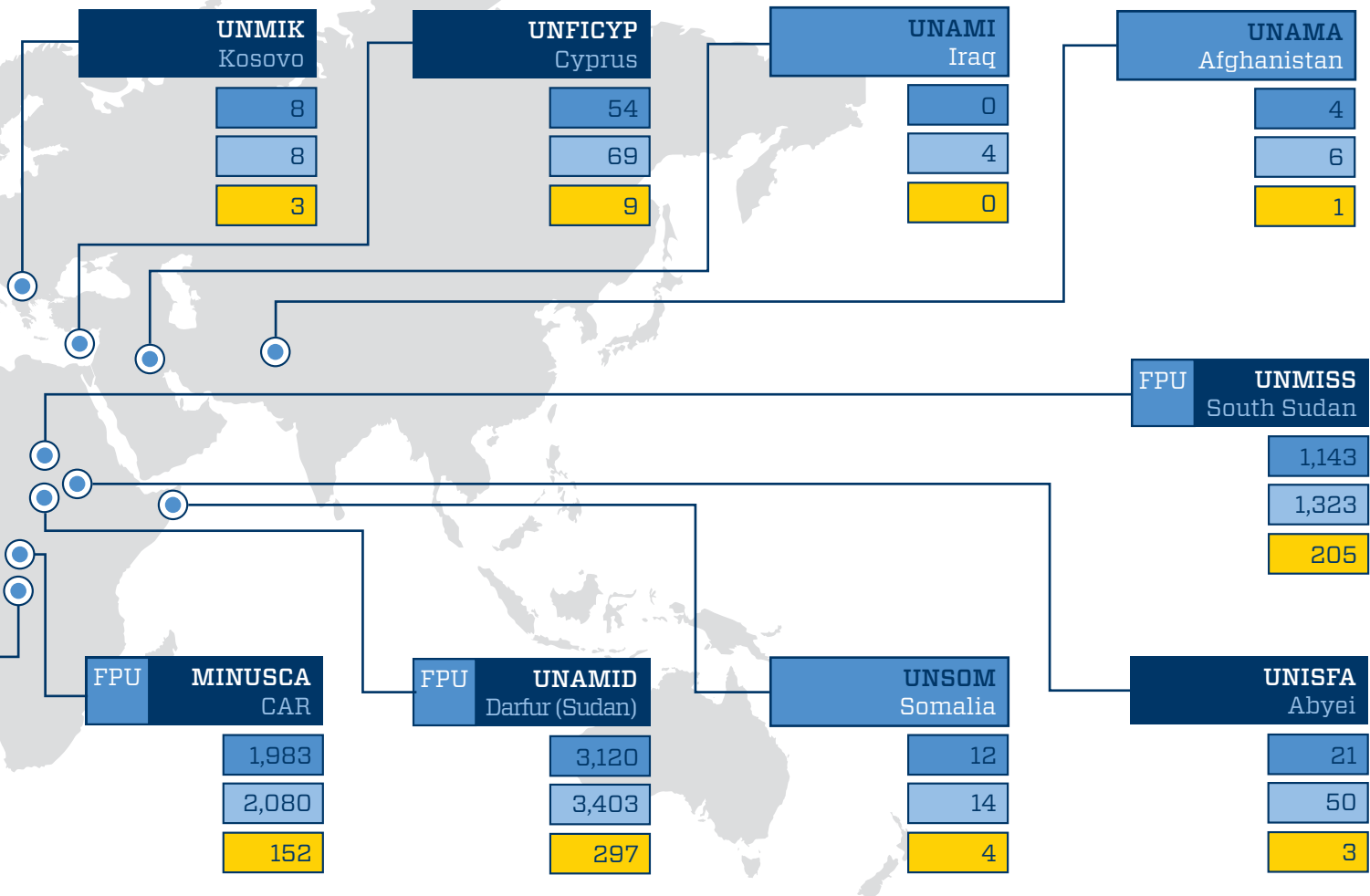


# ACTUAL / AUTHORIZED / FEMALE DEPLOYMENT OF UN



-  DPA missions
-  DPKO missions
-  Actual
-  Authorized
-  Female
-  Includes Formed Police Units

# POLICE IN PEACEKEEPING MISSIONS (DECEMBER 2015)



**TOTAL UN POLICE**

13,874
15,447
1,416

# Responding to Member States and the Secretary-General

United Nations Police receives guidance and strategic direction from the General Assembly and the Security Council.

The General Assembly's Special Committee on United Nations Peacekeeping (C-34) is the [only] United Nations forum mandated to review comprehensively the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects, including policing. It has supported major reform efforts, including the establishment of the Standing Police Capacity, and continues to promote partnerships including with regional and sub-regional organisations. The C-34 attaches great importance to timely substantive interactions between the Security Council, the Secretariat and police contributing countries, to devise clear, unambiguous and achievable mandates, and to generate the necessary political, human, financial and logistical resources and information capacity for achieving the mandates (A/69/19, paras 20 and 74).

The first Security Council resolution dedicated to international policing, adopted unanimously on 20 November 2014, stipulates that policing is an integral part of the mandates of United Nations peacekeeping operations and special political missions, which may include support for the reform, restructuring and development of host State policing and other law enforcement institutions, operational support to host-State policing and other law enforcement institutions, and conducting interim policing and other law enforcement (S/RES/2185).

Upon request of the UN Secretary-General, the High-level Independent Panel on Peace Operations presented its report on how United Nations peace operations can be made more effective, efficient and responsive in June 2015 (A/70/95). In his implementation report, the Secretary-General welcomed the progress on the Strategic Guidance Framework, took note of the work on new modalities for planning and recruitment and tasked the Police Division to initiate an external review of its future function, structure and capacity (A/70/357, para 93). An independent review team began work in early 2016. Its report will feed into the Secretary-General's report on UN Police, due by December 2016.



First Security Council briefing by Heads of UN Police Components, 20 November 2014. (UN Photo)

“ Policing must be entrusted to police or other law enforcement agencies of a national, regional or local government, within a legal framework that is based on the rule of law. [Thus, the] police are accountable to laws that are publicly promulgated, equally enforced and independently adjudicated and which are consistent with international human rights norms and standards. ”

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Stefan Feller  
United Nations Police Adviser





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POLICE DIVISION

UN POLICE TOWNHALL MEETING  
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## All-female selection assistance and assessment team (SAAT) training

The United Nations launched a global effort to increase the representation of female police officers in United Nations peacekeeping operations and special political missions in 2009. This was reinforced by Security Council Resolution 2242 (2015) on Women, Peace and Security. One of the projects undertaken by the Police Division in this regard is the all-female selection assistance and assessment team (SAAT) training. The training familiarises and prepares female police officers with the assessment procedures they require to pass before deploying as United Nations Police.

17 Member States showed a strong interest and nominated 2,300 female officers for participation in the all-female SAAT Training. Since the project began in 2014, 555 female officers participated in training sessions convened in Benin, Burkina-Faso, Cameroon, Niger and Rwanda by serving UN Police officers. As a result, 304 of the 555 officers passed the mandatory SAAT examination and are now eligible to deploy, while 174 female officers already deployed to serve with United Nations Police.

FROM THE FIELD

# UN Police Contributing Countries (December 2015)

COUNTRY	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL
Argentina	18	1	19
Australia	8	2	10
Austria	0	1	1
<b>Bangladesh</b>	<b>1,005</b>	<b>167</b>	<b>1,172</b>
Benin	362	11	373
Bhutan	4	1	5
Bosnia & Herzegovina	29	9	38
Brazil	7	0	7
Bulgaria	0	1	1
Burkina Faso	314	56	370
Burundi	358	19	377
<b>Cameroon</b>	<b>329</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>392</b>
Canada	65	19	84
Chad	43	3	46
Chile	6	0	6
People's Rep of China	161	8	169
Colombia	15	1	16
Congo	131	8	139
D.R.Congo	117	18	135
Djibouti	142	0	142
<b>Egypt</b>	<b>450</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>450</b>

COUNTRY	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL
El Salvador	12	0	12
Ethiopia	31	1	32
Fiji	17	0	17
France	30	3	33
Gambia	56	20	76
Germany	28	7	35
Ghana	218	95	313
Grenada	2	0	2
Guinea	37	5	42
Hungary	1	0	1
<b>India</b>	<b>894</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>1,009</b>
Indonesia	170	3	173
Ireland	10	2	12
Italy	1	0	1
Jamaica	2	0	2
<b>Jordan</b>	<b>1,524</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>1,531</b>
Kenya	29	10	39
Kyrgyzstan	9	2	11
Lithuania	1	0	1
Madagascar	37	8	45
Malawi	46	44	90

Top ten police contributing countries (PCCs)

COUNTRY	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL
Malaysia	15	0	15
Mali	94	6	100
Mauritania	280	0	280
Montenegro	3	1	4
Namibia	34	18	52
<b>Nepal</b>	<b>885</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>973</b>
Netherlands	20	5	25
Niger	139	20	159
<b>Nigeria</b>	<b>313</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>396</b>
Norway	23	11	34
<b>Pakistan</b>	<b>469</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>469</b>
Paraguay	1	0	1
Philippines	27	1	28
Poland	3	0	3
Republic of Korea	2	1	3
Romania	52	9	61
Russian Federation	9	4	13
<b>Rwanda</b>	<b>711</b>	<b>225</b>	<b>936</b>
Samoa	8	2	10
<b>Senegal</b>	<b>1,339</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>1,378</b>
Serbia	8	0	8

COUNTRY	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL
Sierra Leone	30	48	78
Slovakia	7	3	10
Spain	6	0	6
Sri Lanka	51	4	55
Sweden	14	18	32
Switzerland	3	0	3
Thailand	8	8	16
Togo	352	17	369
Tunisia	162	7	169
Turkey	74	3	77
Uganda	38	6	44
UK	2	3	5
Ukraine	45	5	50
United Rep. of Tanzania	56	10	66
USA	35	4	39
Uruguay	5	0	5
Vanuatu	13	0	13
Yemen	225	0	225
Zambia	102	20	122
Zimbabwe	55	31	86

# UN Police Division Timeline



**1948**

Secretary-General Trygve Lie suggests establishment of UN Police Service.



**1960**

UN Police deployed for first time to United Nations Mission in the Congo.



**1962-1963**

UN Police experts carry out law enforcement in West New Guinea.



**1964**

UN Police deployed to Cyprus



**1964-1989**

Seven new peacekeeping operations deployed; small role for UN Police



**2002**

UN Police deployed to Liberia.



**2005**

CIVPOL (Civilian Police) changes name to UN Police (UNPOL).



**2006**

UN Member States approve establishment of the Standing Police Capacity.



**2007**

6,432 UN and African Union Police authorized for work in UN Mission in Darfur



**2012**

14,500 UN Police deployed. More than 16,000 authorized for deployment



**1989**

1,500 UN Police deployed to Namibia.



**1992-1993**

3,600 UN Police deployed to Cambodia.



**1995-2002**

2,000 UN Police make up International Police Task Force in Bosnia and Herzegovina.



**1999**

UN Police have law enforcement mandate in UN Mission in Kosovo.  
Formed police units authorized and deployed.



**2013**

UN Police Multi-year Strategy Policy: 2020 finalized.  
First phase of Strategic Guidance Framework for International Police Peacekeeping completed.



**2014**

Security Council resolution 2184 on United Nations policing adopted.



**2015**

High-level Independent Panel on Peace Operations and SG implementation report.  
Second phase of Strategic Guidance Framework largely completed.



**2016**

Independent review of Police Division and SG report on UN Police.  
Third phase of Strategic Guidance Framework launched.



Website: [www.un.org/en/peacekeeping/sites/police/index.shtml](http://www.un.org/en/peacekeeping/sites/police/index.shtml)

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