The United Nations and the World

Peace Keepers as a tool for Global Security
What Are UN Peacekeepers?

- Peacekeepers are soldiers that have been sent by the United Nations to maintain or restore peace in a certain area
  - Assist in implementing Ceasefire (Armistice) or Peace Treaty
What do Peacekeepers do?

- Protect Civilians
- DDR
  - Disarm – Take away weapons
  - Demobilize – muster soldiers out of service
  - Reintegrate – help former soldiers re-enter civilian life
- Support Organization of Elections
- Promote Human Rights
- Re-Establish Rule of Law
Three Principles of Peacekeeping

• Consent of the parties;
• Impartiality;
• Non-use of force except in self-defense and defense of the mandate.
The Job of a Peacekeeper

• The peacekeeper’s role will be expressly written out in a *Mandate*
  
  – A Mandate is a mission that has been authorized by either the General Assembly or the Security Council
Roles of Peacekeepers: Conflict Prevention

- Diplomatic measures to prevent intra-state or inter-state tension from developing into hostilities
Conflict Prevention

• The UN will carefully watch a situation as it develops
  – Looking for early warning signs and reasons for the conflict
• Will try Conflict Mediation to try to defuse situation
Roles of Peacekeepers: Peace Making

• Used to address conflicts already in progress
• Diplomatic envoys sent to try to bring an end to hostilities
  – Can be governmental, or non-governmental envoys
Role of Peacekeepers: Peace Enforcement

- The use of coercive measures to bring about peace
  - Including Military Force
- Only used in situations where there is a major threat to the peace, breaking of a peace agreement, or act of aggression
  - Needs explicit authorization of the Security Council
Article 41

- The Security Council may decide what measures not involving the use of armed force are to be employed to give effect to its decisions, and it may call upon the Members of the United Nations to apply such measures. These may include complete or partial interruption of economic relations and of rail, sea, air, postal, telegraphic, radio, and other means of communication, and the severance of diplomatic relations.

What does this article say about the UN’s role in the event of fighting?
The UN’s Charter: Peace Enforcement

Article 42

• Should the Security Council consider that measures provided for in Article 41 would be inadequate or have proved to be inadequate, it may take such action by air, sea, or land forces as may be necessary to maintain or restore international peace and security. Such action may include demonstrations, blockade, and other operations by air, sea, or land forces of Members of the United Nations.

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How are Peacekeepers selected

• The UN will call on member countries to provide soldiers to assist in an operation
  – Often regional powers or countries with capacity to undertake operations in the area
Role of Peacekeepers: Peace Building

• Once a peace treaty has been signed the UN will help build a foundation of sustainable peace
  – Enhance the ability of the government to the point where they may maintain peace on their own
Current Operations

- Fact Sheet as of 31 March 2012
- Peacekeeping operations since 1948: 66*
- Current peacekeeping operations: 15*
- Current peace operations directed by the Department of Peacekeeping Operations: 16*
- *On 21 April 2012, the Security Council established the United Nations Supervision Mission in Syria (UNSMIS), bringing the respective totals to 67 peacekeeping operations since 1948; 16 current peacekeeping operations; and 17 current peace operations directed by DPKO.
Current Peacekeeping Operations

MISSIONS DIRECTED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PEACEKEEPING OPERATIONS

- MINURSO: Western Sahara
- UNAMID: Darfur, Sudan
- UNMIK: Kosovo
- UNFICYP: Cyprus
- UNIFIL: Lebanon
- UNDOF: Syria
- UNSMIS: Syria
- UNMOGIP: India and Pakistan
- UNAMA*: Afghanistan
- MINUSTAH: Haiti
- UNMIL: Liberia
- UNOCI: Côte d'Ivoire
- MONUSCO: Dem. Rep. of the Congo
- UNMISS: South Sudan
- UNISFA: Abyei, Sudan
- UNTSO: Middle East
- UNMIT: Timor-Leste

* political mission
# Current Peacekeeping Operations

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Top 20 Contributors of Uniformed Personnel to UN Peacekeeping Operations

As of 31 January 2012

- Bangladesh: 10,238
- Pakistan: 9,527
- India: 8,093
- Ethiopia: 6,223
- Nigeria: 5,775
- Egypt: 4,066
- Jordan: 3,751
- Rwanda: 3,713
- Nepal: 3,601
- Ghana: 2,987
- Brazil: 2,468
- Senegal: 2,343
- Uruguay: 2,272
- South Africa: 2,100
- Indonesia: 1,972
- China: 1,896
- Morocco: 1,579
- France: 1,400
- Sri Lanka: 1,214
- Tanzania: 1,192
UN Peacekeepers

- Uniformed personnel: 98,607
  - Troops: 82,153
  - Police: 14,421
  - Military observers: 2,033
- Civilian personnel (31 December 2011): 17,758
  - International: 5,468
  - Local: 12,290
- UN Volunteers: 2,421
- Total number of personnel serving in 15 peacekeeping operations: 118,786
- Total number of personnel serving in 16 DPKO-led peace operations: 121,046
- Countries contributing uniformed personnel: 117
- Total fatalities: 2,989
Peacekeepers Budget

• Approved resources for the period from 1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012: about $7.84 billion
• Outstanding contributions to peacekeeping (as of 31 March 2012): about $2.18 billion
Top 20 Providers of Assessed Contributions to UN Peacekeeping Budget

2011-2012

- USA: 27.17%
- Japan: 12.53%
- UK: 8.16%
- Germany: 8.02%
- France: 7.56%
- Italy: 5.00%
- China: 3.94%
- Canada: 3.21%
- Spain: 3.18%
- Russia: 2.26%
- Australia: 1.96%
- Netherlands: 1.93%
- Switzerland: 1.66%
- Belgium: 1.13%
- Sweden: 1.08%
- Norway: 1.06%
- Austria: 0.87%
- Denmark: 0.85%
- Greece: 0.74%
- Others: 0.66%