

# The Challenges of Training for Security.

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# SCOPE

- The Landscape
- Challenges
- Recommendations
- Take Aways



**LANDSCAPE**

# ENVIRONMENT REALITIES

## Real Threats



## Austere Environments



## Real Casualties



## Real Constraints



...require fully mission capable units



# ILLEGAL ARMED GROUPS



# CHILDREN ASSOCIATED WITH ARMED FORCES AND GROUPS





# Recent Trends

- Changing Nature of Conflict

- Unconventional threats



Lebanon 2011

- Trans-National Organized Crime



# TRANSNATIONAL Organized CRIME: A NEW THREAT TO PEACE and SECURITY



## TYPES OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING





# Violence in CAR



Bangui



# New Threats against UN personnel



Suicide bomb Mali 2014



# Developments Mali





# UN is target



Semuliki DRC 2017

# Risks

- Increased risks for field staff of all organizations
- Have become a player in the conflicts
- UN Affiliation
  - In the past, a shield and protection
  - Today, includes risk
- International organizations and non-governmental organizations



Mali



All at risk



# Victims



S-Sudan



Syria



# Hodeidah Yemen 2019







Raped and killed DRC

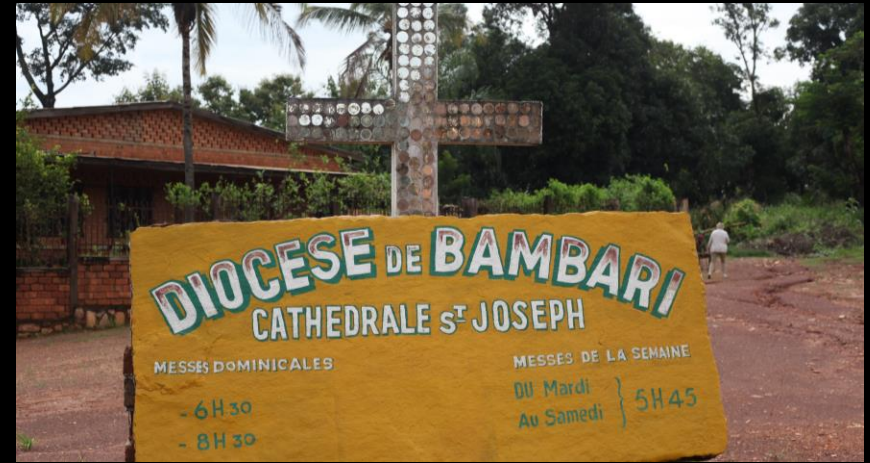


# Humanitarian Disasters





# Protection of Civilians



Central African Republic

# CHALLENGES

# Major Challenges in Military UN Peace (keeping) Operations

- Insufficient knowledge by majority of military contingents of **Mandates, ROEs and the Use of Force**.
- Confusion on the implementation of the **mission objective of “*Protection of Civilians*”**.
- **Risk averse** attitude of several TCCs.
- Contingents are under resourced and often not sufficiently **trained/prepared**.



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- **Pre-deployment training** of troops and individuals.
- Support to and joint operations with **host government forces**.

# Major Challenges in Military UN Peace (keeping) Operations

- **Civilian casualties.** CIVIC: "Our mission is to work with armed actors and civilians in conflict to develop and implement solutions to **prevent, mitigate and respond to civilian harm**"
- TCCs sending troops/**individuals** with many **restrictions.**
- Working in **partnerships**



French Operation Barkhane



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## Results:

- Lack of prevention of violence, **pro-active** attitude and **robust posture** by military personnel in UN Peace keeping operations.
- Loss of **credibility**.
- Increasing number of **(UN) casualties**.

# UN VICTIMS



## ALERTE ENLEVEMENT



**Soldat Mohamed Haji Ali (Tanzanie)**

Vue pour la dernière fois dans la région de Beni en République démocratique du Congo, le 7 décembre 2017.

Enlevé par les Forces démocratiques alliées (ADF).

Toute information peut être transmise  
à la MONUSCO au : +243 997068710





**What to do?**

# Recommendations

- Change the **mindset** of peacekeepers: Training to **Prevent** atrocities to take place by finding **the hotspots** and being **pro-active**.



# Community Engagement and Early warning to find “Hotspots”



Situational awareness



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- **Tailor made** forces are required. No business as usual anymore.



# Tailor Made composition of the Force



Early warning

Reconnaissance equipment



Sniper capability



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Intelligence: Tactical SIGINT





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# Sniper Capability

COLLATERAL DAMAGE

PRECISION

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# Escorting Convoys





# PREPARE DURING PRE-DEPLOYMENT TRAINING



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# FORCE PROTECTION





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# Medical Chain

## “Golden” hour principle



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# Female Military Personnel



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# Be prepared



Massacre of Liwa CAR 2014



February 2019 in MOPTI  
(central MALI)  
Suicide Attack against EU Training Mission





# Best training is needed to mitigate the risk



Attack on MINUSMA troops in Mali 2019

# TAKE AWAY'S

“ In Peacekeeping you have a dilemma: **to look the other way** and have to live the rest of your life with maybe the notion, that if you had moved in, you may have made a difference. Or, **to move in** maybe with the risk of failure..”

*former USG DPKO Jean Marie Guehenno*



# TAKE AWAY'S

Sometimes the presence of peacekeepers is not enough. Sometimes UN Peacekeepers have to **show their skill and will to physically fight to protect civilians** under imminent threat and from sexual violence.

# QUESTIONS?

