



Tool 9.18 Training for peacekeepers and other law enforcement personnel

Overview

This tool refers to some training materials and programmes developed for peacekeepers and other international law enforcement personnel.

For other training manuals for law enforcement personnel, see Tool 5.20 and Tool 2.14.

United Nations Interregional Crime and Justice Research Institute in-service training programme for international law enforcement personnel

UNICRI asserts that strategies to form a comprehensive anti-trafficking framework are falling short of the demand. The deficiencies include:

- Uneven application of existing training regimens within and across institutions
- Failure to engage local institutions in a fruitful manner
- Lack of knowledge of ongoing or proposed training curricula

In 2003, UNICRI, in partnership with the Universities of Essex and Turin, and the European Institute for Crime Prevention and Control, affiliated with the United Nations, implemented a European Commission-funded project under the framework programme for police and judicial cooperation in criminal matters (AGIS) (Council decision 2002/630/JHA) aimed at countering organized crime and criminal networks involved in trafficking in peace support mission areas by improving information on and awareness of the problem and creating and bolstering anti-trafficking capacities through a dedicated training manual for international law enforcement personnel participating in peace support operations.

Although the training manual addresses the trafficking situation in peace support operations in the Balkans, the lessons learned in this region can be extended to create a training programme for members of all other peace support operations.

In 2005, again with the financial support of the European Commission through the framework programme for police and judicial cooperation in criminal matters, in partnership with the University of Turin, the European Institute for Crime Prevention and Control and the Dutch Centre for International Police Cooperation, UNICRI delivered a pre-deployment and in-service training programme for international law enforcement personnel coming from European Union and candidate countries. In three separate three-day training seminars, participants from 17 countries received training on trafficking in persons in peace support operations, targeted in particular to police officers deployed or going to be deployed in support missions in South-East Europe. In July 2006, UNICRI updated and revised the first edition of the manual on the basis of the feedback received from trainers and participants.

Training Manual on Trafficking in Human Beings and Peace-Support Operations (July 2006)

The training manual, entitled *Trafficking in Human Beings and Peace-Support Operations: pre-deployment/in-service training programme for international law-enforcement personnel*, addresses:

- The definition and elements of trafficking in persons
- The root causes of trafficking, and the special vulnerability of women and children
- Trafficking as a transnational organized crime
- The identification of trafficking victims
- Principles of victim protection and rights of victims
- Responsibilities of peace support operation staff in relation to anti-trafficking



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www.unicri.it/wwd/trafficking/peacekeeping/index.php



For more information about the training manual on trafficking in human beings and peace-support operations, please write to information@unicri.it

Training in peace support operations

United Nations Institute for Training and Research

The Programme of Correspondence Instruction of the United Nations Institute for Training and Research provides self-paced distance training for persons preparing to be deployed in peacekeeping missions. Students may enrol in as many courses as they like, or in the programme leading to the Certificate of Training in United Nations Peace Support Operations. The courses may be completed by using online resources, but students without Internet access can use postal or fax services. Many of the courses are available in a range of languages.

Two new courses are of particular relevance to the prevention of trafficking:

Gender Perspectives in United Nations Peacekeeping Operations

Released in 2007, this course teaches conceptual and operational issues involved in integrating gender perspectives into peace support operations. The course explains how gender balance and gender quality allow women to stop being victimized in conflict. The course also emphasizes the need for women to have a strategic role at all United Nations decision-making levels and at the mission level, as well as at Government and local levels.

Ethics in Peacekeeping

Released in 2006, this course provides a basic overview and creates understanding of the ethics of peacekeeping. Through case studies and practical examples, it is intended to guide peacekeepers in the field and offer perspectives on aspects of modern-day peacekeeping from an ethical point of view. Topics covered include:

- The code of conduct
- Cultural awareness
- Gender and peacekeeping
- Human trafficking
- Child protection
- Human rights
- HIV/AIDS awareness
- United Nations guidelines and procedures on discipline for uniformed peacekeepers



For more information about these and other training courses, visit: www.unitarpoci.org

French: www.unitarpoci.org/fr

Spanish: www.unitarpoci.org/es

NATO Advanced Distributed Learning through the NATO School

The NATO School and the International Relations and Security Network in Zurich have produced two courses covering various dimensions of human trafficking, including NATO policy on combating trafficking in persons and the impact of the crime on NATO-led operations. The courses are available to anyone, free of charge, via <http://pfp.ethz.ch/>—the Learning Management System hosting the Advanced Distributed Learning programme. The self-paced courses are undertaken independently, without the support or involvement of any tutor or professor. No certificate or diploma is awarded after successful completion of the course.

The Advanced Distributed Learning courses offered in relation to trafficking in persons are:

Human Trafficking: Causes, Consequences, Counter-strategies

This course distinguishes between different types of trafficking (trafficking of women, men and children for the purpose of labour or sexual exploitation, the illicit trade in human organs and the trade in children for adoption), provides an overview of the history of human trafficking, explores the causes and consequences of trafficking in persons, and discusses the strategies used to combat the crime.

Combating Trafficking in Human Beings

This course introduces students to the problem of trafficking in persons and the possibilities for combating this organized crime. It also introduces the NATO policy on combating trafficking and discusses the impact of trafficking on NATO-led operations. The topics covered by this course are:

- The principles of the NATO policy on combating trafficking in human beings
- The issue of trafficking in human beings
- Identification of victims and perpetrators of trafficking
- The impact of human trafficking on NATO-led operations
- The duties of NATO-led forces in preventing trafficking in persons



More information about NATO courses is available at:

www.ndc.nato.int/courses/adlcourse.html#cthb

The courses specific to anti-trafficking can be accessed via <http://pfp.ethz.ch/>

Other recommended resources

Peacekeeping best practice

The Peacekeeping Best Practices Section of the Department of Peacekeeping Operations of the United Nations assists in the planning, conduct, management and support of peacekeeping operations by learning from experience, problem solving and transferring best practices in United Nations peacekeeping.

The overall goal of the Peacekeeping Best Practices Section is to develop and support a culture of best practice in United Nations peacekeeping by helping to establish and develop the mechanisms and working habits to share knowledge. To this end, it makes best practice resources available online, including a range of anti-trafficking resources.



Peacekeeping best practice resources are available at:

<http://pbpu.unlb.org/pbps/Pages/Public/Home.aspx>

Department of Peacekeeping Operations Human Trafficking Resource Package

The Department of Peacekeeping Operations Human Trafficking Resource Package aims to define the problem of trafficking in persons in the context of United Nations peacekeeping environments and proposes strategies to address the issue based on lessons learned from previous missions and consultations with partner organizations. This resource package explains the policy of the Department of Peacekeeping Operations of the United Nations on trafficking in persons and outlines its programmatic approach to the issue. The three primary objectives of this resource package are:

- To raise awareness among all staff in current missions about human trafficking
- To assist trainers by providing updated and improved training materials
- To provide additional resources for those mandated specifically to address trafficking in particular missions



The resource package is available at:

<http://pbpu.unlb.org/pbps/library/trafficking%20Resource%20Package.pdf>

Resources on women and peacekeeping of the United Nations Development Fund for Women

In cooperation with Governments, other United Nations bodies, international and national organizations and non-governmental organizations, UNIFEM has assisted women in conflict situations and supported their participation in peace processes. UNIFEM provides strategic and catalytic support to mainstream gender and to support women's participation in all efforts to build peace and resolve conflicts. Women's protection in armed conflict and their centrality to conflict prevention, peacekeeping and peace-building is a primary concern of UNIFEM and the international community.



UNIFEM resources relating to women and peacekeeping are available at:

www.peacewomen.org/resources/Peacekeeping/peacekeepingindex.html

Human Rights and Humanitarian Law in Professional Policing Concepts (International Committee of the Red Cross)

This International Committee of the Red Cross brochure addresses the principles and rules of humanitarian law and human rights law in the context of law enforcement and many aspects of it are relevant to the training of law enforcement officials in relation to trafficking in persons.



This brochure, of which there are also French, Portuguese, Russian and Spanish versions, is available in English at:

www.icrc.org/web/eng/siteeng0.nsf/html/p0809

Training on human rights and humanitarian law for police and security forces

(International Committee of the Red Cross)

Several elements of the manual developed by the International Committee of the Red Cross entitled *To Serve and Protect: Human Rights and Humanitarian Law for Police and Security Forces* are in many ways relevant to the training of law enforcement officials in relation to human trafficking.



The training manual can be consulted at:

[www.icrc.org/Web/Eng/siteeng0.nsf/htmlall/p0698/\\$File/ICRC_002_0698.PDF!Open](http://www.icrc.org/Web/Eng/siteeng0.nsf/htmlall/p0698/$File/ICRC_002_0698.PDF!Open)

Policing Violence against Women and Children

(Southern African Regional Police Chiefs Cooperation Organization)

The Southern African Regional Police Chiefs Cooperation Organization has developed a training manual on policing violence against women and children which includes a component on trafficking in women and children. The aim of the manual is to standardize regional training programmes for law enforcement officers and other professionals.



The manual can be consulted at:

www.trainingforpeace.org/resources/vawc.htm