

### UNITED NATIONS - DEPARTMENT OF FIELD SUPPORT

# Information Security — United Nations Peacekeeping Missions

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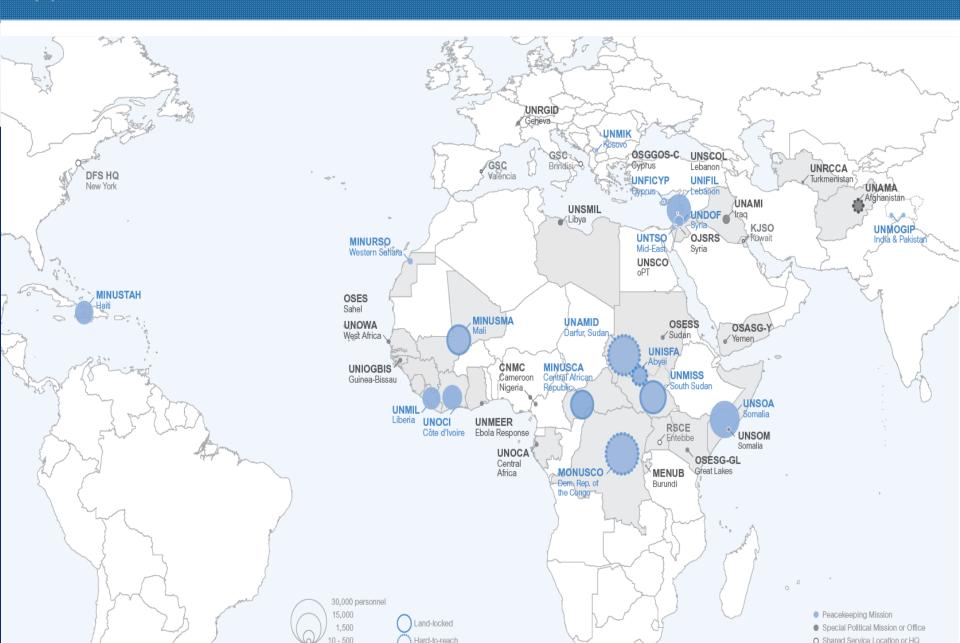
- ☐ 16 Peacekeeping missions (PKM) + UNSOA
- ☐ 20 **Special Political Missions** (SPM) and others offices supported by DFS
- □ Largest Mission: DR Congo (MONUSCO): 19.815 troops, 946 international civilians, 760 military observers, 2792 local civilians, 1441 Police, 457 UN Volunteers

#### **Field Mission Environment**

- □ Number of missions are in **large, remote and land-locked areas**
- Most missions are likely to face continued security risks including increased targeting of UN personnel and asymmetric security threats and infrastructure.



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**Information and Communications Technology Division** 

- DGITT Department of Geospatial, Information and Telecommunications Technologies (DGITT)
- □ Provides secure and innovative ICT services and solutions to Department of Field Support (DFS), Department of Peacekeeping Operations (DPKO), and Department of Political Affairs (DPA) field missions globally.



## **ICT Security – FTOC**

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- FTOC Field Technology Operations Centre: encompasses both ICT Facilities in Brindisi and Valencia
- ❖ Is part of Service for Geospatial, Telecommunications and Information Technologies (SGITT)
- Host for all voice, video and data systems centralized in Brindisi and Valencia

#### **FTOC core missions**

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- Provides, implements and supports field mission-specific information systems and applications;
- Collaborates with users to provide automated solutions in support of field operations;
- Supports the transition of information systems utilised in field operations to large-scale systems and technologies;
- Manages systems integration to leverage information systems and data to improve information exchange and ensure seamless interoperability;



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## **ICT Security – Team**

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- ☐ Team of around 20 people located in Valencia, Brindisi (Italy), Entebbe (Uganda) and New-York
- ☐ Two main areas: **Information Security** and **Operational Resilience** (IT Service Continuity Management)



Security
Architecture and
Integration

Architecture

OR Architecture and Integration

**Skill Centers / Centers of Competencies** 



## **ICT Security – Challenges**

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- □ Advanced Persistent Threat (APT) : scale of some attacks have been increasing
- ☐ Information Security for Mobile Access: Mobile Device Management, global mobility programme has been launched
- **Public ICT Systems**: encourages missions to leverage the FTOC's solid, scalable and secure IT infrastructure to host their public systems, to limit the exposure of mission ICT systems to the Internet.
- Enhancing ICT Security Incident Visibility and Centralized Control: initiated a Security Infrastructure Implementation Strategy to enhance the security posture of field missions, with Checkpoint firewall implementation as the first project.
- **Standardization Configuration of Critical ICT Security Systems**: Development of Minimum Security Baseline Standards and performing regular gap assessments.
- ☐ Information Security Risk Management: continuous cycle of assessing risk, identifying mitigating controls, implementing remedial actions and monitoring their effectiveness. Adoption of ISO 270011 for ISMS, ISO 27001 certification of FTOC.



## **ICT Security – Field Missions Support**

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- ☐ One ICT Security focal point per mission
- ☐ Application **Vulnerability Assessment** and Infra. Penetration Testing
- ☐ Travel to field missions to perform on-site ICT Security assessment
- □ Host for all voice, video and data systems centralized in Brindisi and Valencia
- ☐ Annual on-site workshop in Valencia with all security focal points
- □ **Disseminate best practices** across the different missions
- □ Adoption of ISO 27001 as global ISMS standard
- ☐ Adoption of 20 critical security controls for Effective Cyberberdefense



