



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

The UN's Charter: Peace Enforcement

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

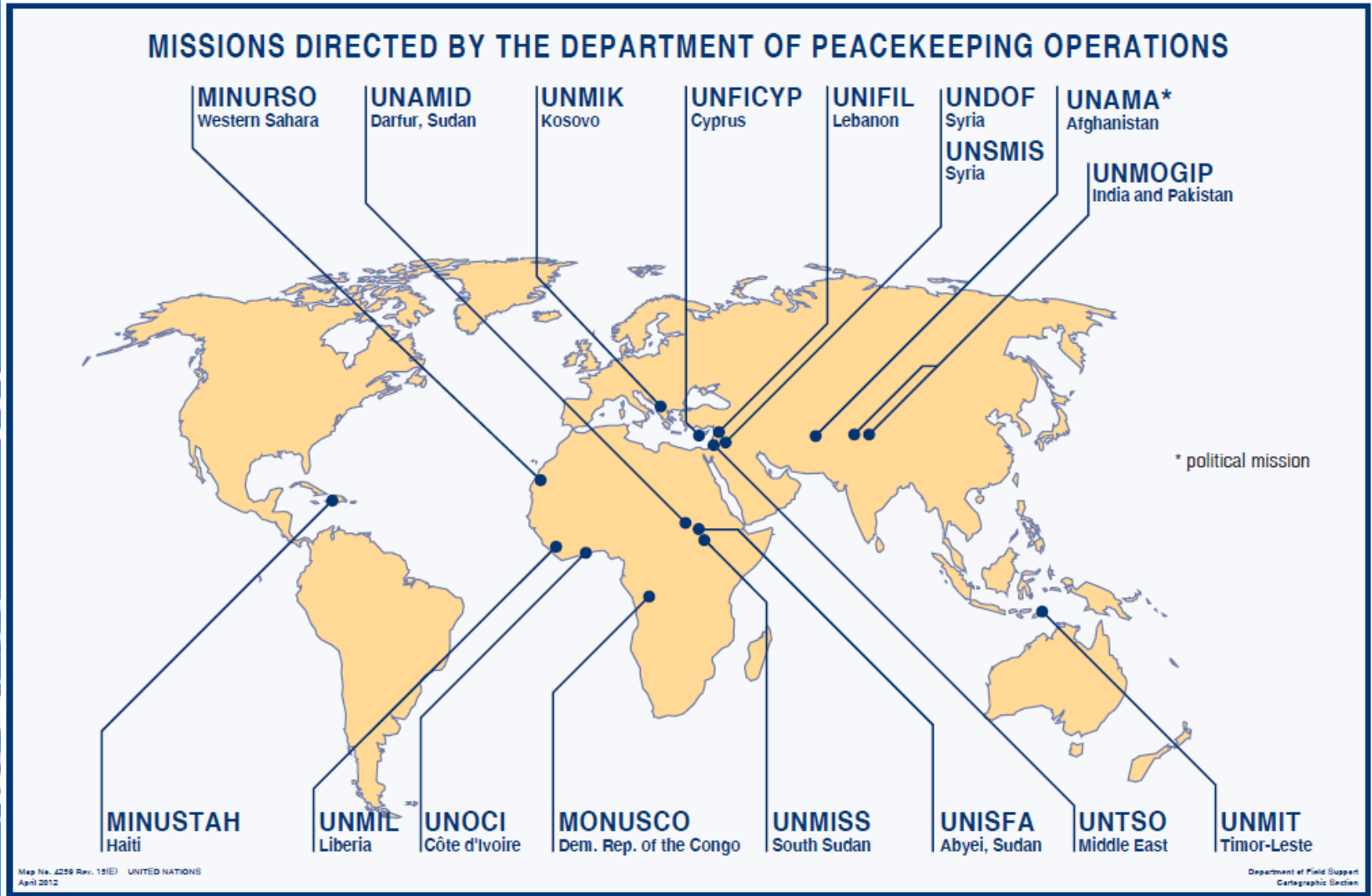
- Once a peace treaty has been signed the UN will help build a foundation of sustainable peace
 - Enhance the ability of the government to the point where they may maintain peace on their own



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.

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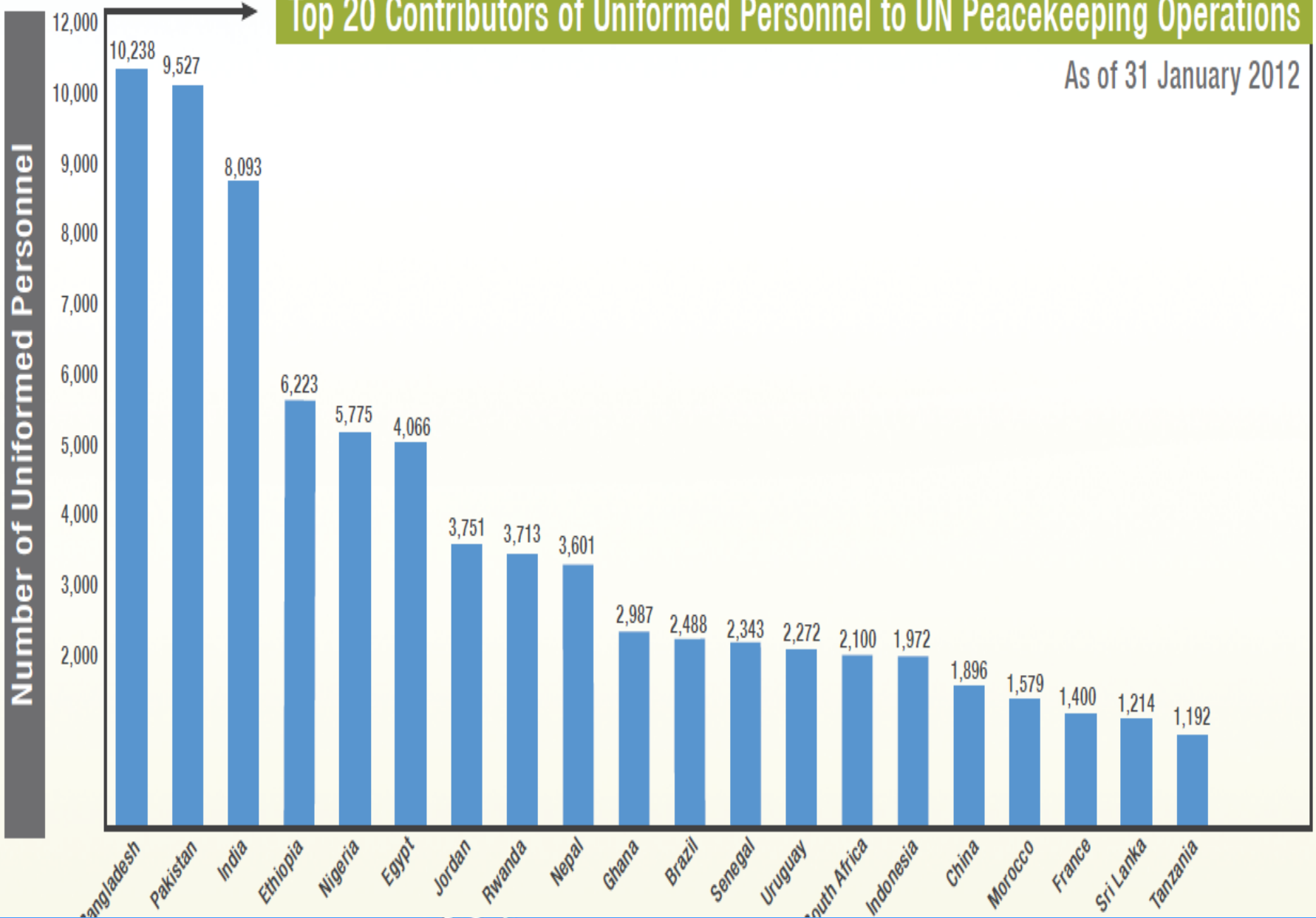


Current Peacekeeping Operations

MINURSO	United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara	established: 1991
MINUSTAH	United Nations Stabilization Mission in Haiti	established: 2004
MONUSCO	United Nations Organization Stabilization Mission in the Dem. Republic of the Congo	established: 2010
UNAMA	United Nations Assistance Mission in Afghanistan	established: 2002
UNAMID	African Union - United Nations Hybrid Operation in Darfur, Sudan	established: 2007
UNDOF	United Nations Disengagement Observer Force	established: 1974
UNFICYP	United Nations Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus	established: 1964
UNIFIL	United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon	established: 1978
UNISFA	United Nations Interim Security Force for Abyei	established: 2011
UNMIK	United Nations Interim Administration in Kosovo	established: 1999
UNMIL	United Nations Mission in Liberia	established: 2003
UNMISS	United Nations Mission in the South Sudan	established: 2011
UNMIT	United Nations Integrated Mission in Timor-Leste	established: 2006
UNMOGIP	United Nations Military Observer Group in India and Pakistan	established: 1949
UNOCI	United Nations Operation in Côte d'Ivoire	established: 2004
UNSMIS	United Nations Supervision Mission in Syria	established: 2012
UNTSO	United Nations Truce Supervision Organization	established: 1948

Top 20 Contributors of Uniformed Personnel to UN Peacekeeping Operations

As of 31 January 2012



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

