

Profiles Required for Senior-level positions in United Nations Peacekeeping and Special Political Missions

United Nations (UN) peacekeeping delivers security, political and early peacebuilding support to help countries impacted by conflict create the conditions for lasting peace.

In field operations, Mission Support provides dedicated support to peacekeeping operations, special political missions and other field presences. Mission Support staff provides support in the areas of budget and finance, logistics, Information, communication and technology (ICT), human resources and general administration to help field missions promote peace and security.

The UN is seeking senior-level women (At the D1 and D-2 level) to fulfil key Mission Support functions in field operations (peacekeeping operations or special political missions). Interested candidates will be expected to serve in hardship duty stations with difficult working and living conditions, most of them categorised as “non-family duty stations”. The UN is especially looking for candidates for the following Generic Job Openings:

Director of Mission Support (DMS) D-2, Chief of Mission Support and Deputy DMS (D-1)

The Director of Mission Support/ Chief of Mission Support is the principal adviser to the Head of Mission (HoM) on all matters pertaining to administrative and technical support activities and, as such, is responsible and accountable to the HoM for the effective general management of the human, financial and physical resources allotted to the mission. The DMS is a member of the Mission Senior Management Team, participates in the mission planning process throughout the mission lifecycle, with particular attention to support areas and contributes to an integrated approach and consistency in the implementation of the mandate. The DMS actively engages with police and military components within the mission to ensure coordinated, high quality support in accordance with their operational requirements. The DMS should also identify resources to undertake the performance oversight, business intelligence function in order to provide the HoM with enhanced oversight and management tools, potentially within the Support Planning function.

Candidates should have an advanced university degree (Masters or equivalent) in business or public administration, logistics, human resources management, finance, accounting, or related area. A first-level university degree in combination with qualifying experience may be accepted in lieu of the advanced university degree.

Candidates should have a minimum of fifteen years of experience in administration, finance, logistics, accounting or related field, including at least two years of experience managing large complex operations, and a minimum of 5 years management experience with responsibilities in human, procurement and financial resources management. Fluency in or English is required. Fluency in another UN language may be desirable.

Chief Supply Chain Management (D1)

The Chief Supply Chain Management at the D1 level is responsible for the overall management of the supply chain which includes planning, guidance and coordination of all supply chain areas. These integrated supply chain areas include planning and execution including guidance and policy of acquisitions, procurement, warehousing, asset and inventory management, transportation and freight planning (air, land, sea), expediting movement and tracking distribution. The Chief Supply Chain management is required to work closely with the Mission Support Centre (MSC) and develop priorities in harmony with the MSC to reflect coordinated support to all mission components.

Candidates should have an advanced university degree (Master's degree or equivalent) in supply chain

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management, business administration/ management, or related field. A first-level university degree in any of these fields, in combination with two additional years of qualifying work experience may be accepted in lieu of the advanced university degree.

Candidates should have a minimum of fifteen years of progressively responsible experience managing supply chain operations, proven management experience and technical leadership skills in a complex environment, experience in managing supply chain/logistics operations in an international environment. Fluency in French or English is required. Fluency in another UN language may be desirable.

Chief Service Delivery (D-1)

The Chief Service Delivery at the D1 level is responsible for the overall management of technical and logistical support services to all Mission components by planning, coordinating and delivering integrated technical and logistical services including management of staff, assets and budgetary resources. These integrated support services include transportation, medical, contracts and engineering, facilities and camp management.

Candidates should have an advanced university degree (Master's degree or equivalent) in business administration, engineering, logistics or related field. A first-level university degree in any of these fields, in combination with two additional years of qualifying work experience may be accepted in lieu of the advanced university degree.

Candidates should have a minimum of fifteen years of progressively responsible experience managing complex service delivery and/or diverse logistics operations in military, commercial or international organisations, proven management experience and technical leadership skills in a complex environment, experience in managing logistics in an international environment. Fluency in French or English is required. Fluency in another UN language may be desirable.