

The Secretary-General is pleased to announce the following job openings at the level of Under-Secretary-General:

Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict (SRSG/CAAC)

The mandate of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict was created by the General Assembly (Resolution A/RES/51/77) following the publication, in 1996, of a report by Graça Machel titled the “Impact of Armed Conflict on Children”. Her report highlighted the disproportionate impact of war on children and identified them as the primary victims of armed conflict. The role of the Special Representative for Children and Armed Conflict is to strengthen the protection of children affected by armed conflict, raise awareness, promote the collection of information about the plight of children affected by war and foster international cooperation to improve their protection. The Special Representative reports yearly to the General Assembly and the Human Rights Council and raises challenges faced by children in war to political bodies, such as the United Nations Security Council, as well as relevant Governments to maintain a sense of urgency amongst key decision makers as well as to secure political and diplomatic engagement.

Further information on the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict is available on the following website: <https://childrenandarmedconflict.un.org/>

The Secretary-General is seeking an individual with:

- Demonstrated leadership experience with strategic vision and proven skills in managing complex organizations, such as an intergovernmental, international non-governmental or multinational private sector entities;
- Proven track record of accomplishments at the regional, national or international level;
- Demonstrated ability to work harmoniously in a multi-cultural team and establish harmonious and effective working relationships both within and outside the organization;
- Ability to build consensus and stimulate effective campaigns among a broad spectrum of people and organizations;
- Demonstrated creativity and proven ability to propose new ideas and lead on new ways of doing things in a manner that is not bound by current thinking or traditional approaches;
- High commitment to the values and guiding principles of the United Nations and familiarity with the United Nations system, including peacekeeping, human rights, humanitarian and development settings and challenges.

In order to ensure a wide pool of candidates for these positions, the Secretariat would welcome any applications to supplement the Secretary-General’s own search and consultations. The Secretariat would especially welcome applications of women candidates.

Human rights screening

Individuals who are either nominated by Member States or who seek to serve with the United Nations in any individual capacity will be required, if short-listed, to complete a self-attestation stating that they have not committed, been convicted of, nor prosecuted for, any criminal offence and have not been involved, by act or omission, in the commission of any violation of international human rights law or international humanitarian law.

Conflicts of interest

Short-listed individuals will also be required to complete the pre-appointment declaration of interests for senior positions to identify possible conflicts of interest that may arise and to proactively prevent and manage, as much as possible and in a timely manner, situations in which personal interests may conflict or appear to conflict with the interests of the United Nations, should the individual be appointed to this position.

All applications should include the curriculum vitae of the candidates and must be received by 6 March 2017. Applications may also be sent to eosgapplications20172@un.org