



The United Nations Liaison Office for Peace and Security - UNLOPS

The **United Nations Liaison Office for Peace and Security** (UNLOPS) represents the United Nations (UN) Secretariat Departments of Peacekeeping Operations (DPKO), Political Affairs (DPA), Field Support (DFS) and the Office of Counter-Terrorism (UNOCT) in **Brussels** and liaises on all matters related to peace and security that fall under their remit.

UNLOPS was established in Brussels in 2011 to develop closer, more predictable and continuous partnerships between the UN and the European Union (EU), the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) and other Brussels-based organizations. UNLOPS supports institutional dialogue and improved coordination on peace and security policy, operations and programmes with a view to preventing violent conflict, managing crisis and countering terrorism. The office facilitates high level UN visits from New York and the field to Brussels, supports UN-EU and UN-NATO information exchange, and backs stops the UN-EU Steering Committee on Crisis Management, the UN-EU Partnerships Meeting on Conflict Prevention, the UN-EU Leadership Dialogue on Counter-Terrorism, and the UN-NATO Staff Talks.



The United Nations Headquarters in New York.



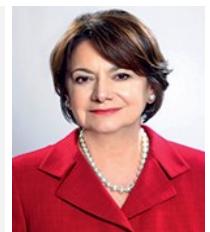
Under-Secretary-General Jean-Pierre Lacroix is the head of DPKO.

The **Department of Peacekeeping Operations (DPKO)** helps countries torn by conflict create the conditions for lasting peace.

The Department provides direction to UN peacekeeping operations around the world and maintains contact with the Security Council, troop and financial contributors, and parties to the conflict in the implementation of Security Council mandates.

The **Department of Political Affairs (DPA)** plays a central role in the United Nations' efforts to prevent and resolve deadly conflict around the world.

The Department provides close support to the Secretary-General and his envoys, as well as to UN political missions deployed to areas of tension around the world with mandates to help defuse crises or promote lasting solutions to conflict.



Under-Secretary-General Rosemary A. DiCarlo is the head of DPA.



Under-Secretary-General Atul Khare is the head of DFS.

The **Department of Field Support (DFS)** provides dedicated support to peacekeeping and political field missions.

The Department provides support in the areas of finance, logistics, information, communication and technology, human resources and general administration to help UN missions promote peace and security. DFS also includes the United Nations Logistics Base in Brindisi, Italy.

The **Office of Counter-Terrorism (UNOCT)** was created in 2017 to ensure that due priority is given to counter-terrorism across the UN system, including the work on preventing violent extremism. The Office works to enhance the coordination and coherence of UN entities in line with the UN Global Strategy on Counter-Terrorism. It also strengthens the delivery of United Nations counter-terrorism capacity—building assistance to member states.



Under-Secretary-General Vladimir Voronkov is the head of Office of Counter-Terrorism.

Brussels-based peace and security partners

- ◊ The European External Action Service (EEAS)
- ◊ The European Commission, including DG DEVCO, DG NEAR, DG HOME and DG JUST
- ◊ The Council of the EU, notably the Political and Security Committee and its working groups
- ◊ European Parliament Foreign Affairs, Security and Defence, and Terrorism Committees
- ◊ The North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO)
- ◊ European-based NGOs
- ◊ External peacekeeping experts in academia and think tanks
- ◊ NATO
- ◊ African Union (AU) office and other regional partners based in Brussels



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