



**PEACEKEEPING**

# What is peacekeeping?



**«Peace is a full-time job. Like war, it must be waged...»**

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**United Nations Peacekeeping helps countries torn by conflict create conditions for lasting peace.**



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**The United Nations Charter gives the United Nations Security Council the power and responsibility to take collective action to maintain international peace and security.**



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**The UN Peacekeeping is guided by three basic principles:**

- Consent of the parties**
- Impartiality**
- Non-use of force except in self-defence and defence of the mandate**

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**UN peacekeepers often referred to as Blue Berets or Blue Helmets. They can include soldiers, police officers, and civilian personnel.**



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# **Peace and security**



**Peacekeeping is one among a range of activities undertaken by the United Nations to maintain international peace and security throughout the world.**

**The other activities are:**

- **conflict prevention and mediation**
- **peacemaking**
- **peace enforcement**
- **peacebuilding**



# History of peacekeeping



**The United Nations Peacekeeping began in 1948 when the Security Council authorized the deployment of UN military observers to the Middle East.**



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**The United Nations is not the only organization to implement peacekeeping missions. Non-UN peacekeeping forces include:**

- **the NATO mission in Kosovo**
- **the Multinational Force and Observers on the Sinai Peninsula.**

# International Day of Peacekeepers



**29 May is the International Day of the UN  
Peacekeepers.**



# **International Day of Peacekeepers**



**The day has two purposes:**

- **to honour the memory of the UN peacekeepers who have lost their lives in the cause of peace;**
- **to pay tribute to all the men and women who have served and continue to serve in UN peacekeeping operations for their high level of professionalism, dedication and courage.**

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**71 Peacekeeping operations have been deployed by the UN since 1948.**

**Peacekeeping workforce in the field consisted of (as of 31 March 2015):**

- **93,743 serving troops and military observers**
- **13,122 police personnel;**
- **5,277 international civilian personnel;**
- **11,678 local civilian staff**
- **1,846 UN Volunteers.**





**Thank you for your attention!**