Vacancy Announcement for Positions in the Department of Peace Operations
requiring official secondment from national governments of Member States of the United Nations Organization

RESPONSIBILITIES:
Under the direct supervision of the Team Leader, Standing Police Capacity (SPC), Police Division, Office of Rule of Law and Security Institutions, DPO, the Transnational Crime Adviser at P4 level provides a wide spectrum of advisory support and assistance in the field of combating transnational crime, organized crime, and other emerging crime issues, especially in post-conflict environments. Within the confines of SPC management and the strategic mission of UN Police, which is to help build institutional national police and other law enforcement capacities in post conflict environments, the incumbent works closely with various international and national actors at headquarters and in the field to help design strategies, as well as develops and implements projects and programme activities. When at SPC headquarters, the incumbent assists in strategic and operational planning tasks, represents the UN Police in expert forums, and evaluates the needs and requirements of UN Police, national police and other law enforcement agencies that the UN Police are mandated to support. Within the framework of overall PD/SPC activities related to combating transnational organized crime, strengthening domestic police and other law enforcement capacities in the respective countries or mission areas, the incumbent formulates proposals for the use of SPC and designs and supports in the implementation of programmes and projects to be launched. In the field, the incumbent works closely with UN Police and other entities working in these thematic and cross cutting areas advises and supports the national police and other law enforcement officials in planning, developing, and implementing strategies, programmes and activities to deal with transnational crime; and, prepares proposals to support the host nations sustainable specialized institutional capacity-building initiatives.

COMPETENCIES:
Professionalism: Knowledge of theories, concepts and approaches relevant to transnational crime, organized crimes and related law enforcement related matters; as well as analyzing gaps, identifying standards and developing plans for capacity-building of law enforcement agencies; ability to plan, develop, implement and monitor strategies, programmes, projects and activities in the field of combating transnational and organized crime; basic knowledge of the impact of Artificial Intelligence and transnational organized crime, knowledge of the current trends and developments in the field of transnational and organized crime including current trends on counter-terrorism; good research, analytical and problem-solving skills; and, ability to identify and participate in the resolution of complex issues and problems. Is conscientious and efficient in meeting commitments, observing deadlines and achieving results. Is motivated by professional rather than personal concerns. Shows persistence when faced with difficult problems or challenges. Remains calm in stressful situations. Takes responsibility for incorporating gender perspectives and ensuring the equal participation of women and men in all areas of work. Planning and Organizing: Develops clear goals that are consistent with agreed strategies; identifies priority activities and assignments; adjusts plans and actions as necessary; uses time efficiently. Teamwork: Works collaboratively with colleagues to achieve organizational goals; solicits input by genuinely valuing others’ ideas and expertise; is willing to learn from others; places team agenda before personal agenda; supports and acts in accordance with final group decision, even when such decisions may not entirely reflect own position; shares credit for team accomplishments and accepts joint responsibility for team shortcomings.

QUALIFICATIONS:
Education: Advanced university degree (Master's degree or equivalent) in Law, Criminology, Social Sciences, or another relevant field. A first level university degree with a combination of relevant academic qualifications and extensive experience in combating serious and organized crime may be acceptable in lieu of the advanced University degree. Graduation from a certified police academy or other similar law enforcement training institution is required. Work Experience: A minimum of seven years of progressively responsible experience in active national police or other law enforcement agency with a rank of Superintendent or Lt. Colonel, other service equivalent or higher rank, including at least three years of direct operational experience in combating transnational and organized crime, as well as experience in policy making in the above areas is required. Experience in UN peacekeeping missions, other similar international organizations, or regional forums is also required. Experience in the use of modern Internet-based research methodologies and sources is desirable. Language: English and French are the working languages of the UN. For the post advertised, fluency in oral and written English is required. Knowledge of French is highly desirable.

SPECIAL NOTICE: Circulation of this Job Opening is limited to Member States. Only police officers currently employed in their national service and who have received authorization by their National Authorities to apply for this Job Opening will be considered. Appointment is limited to service within the Department of Peace Operations on posts financed by the support account for peace operations requiring active police service. During their tenure, seconded officers cannot be transferred or be reassigned to other positions within DPO or the UN Secretariat. It should be noted that successful candidates will be offered a one year Fixed-Term appointment which, based on performance and operational needs, may be extended. Currently serving seconded active-duty officers are not eligible to apply or be nominated for new seconded positions until separated for at least one year from any last secondment with the UN Secretariat Member States are strongly encouraged to nominate qualified female police officers.

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Preference will be given to equally qualified women candidates