RESPONSIBILITIES: MINUSCA’s mandate addresses the immediate challenges facing the country while laying the groundwork for sustainable peace and security. Under the overall supervision of the Chief of Operations, the HQ Formed Police Unit (FPU) Coordinator will have overall managerial responsibility for FPU and be responsible for ensuring effective liaison with all partner agencies and relevant MINUSCA components on administration and operational issues related to the deployment of the FPUs throughout the mission. The Coordinator will be responsible of the following duties:

- Operational deployment of the FPUs in the Mission and sectors.
- Advise MINUSCA Police Commissioner in formulating strategic directives with regards to FPU operations.
- Develop a close professional relation with MINUSCA Police at senior management level.
- Establish a close relationship and coordination with the MINUSCA Military Component.
- Consult with the Police Commissioner and UNPOL command staff regarding the deployment and operations of the FPUs.
- Consult with the Chief of Operations regularly, with regards to deployment and operations of FPU.
- Coordinate with FPU Advisor in UNHQ-NY on FPU related matters.
- Facilitate effective coordination and collaboration with the on-going humanitarian operations, MINUSCA Military and Central African Republic’s National Police and Gendarmerie and law enforcement counterparts.
- Develop deployment and operational plans, guidelines and policies, as well as training manuals for the FPUs.
- Monitor and evaluate the performance of UN-Region FPU related activities.
- Monitor the welfare and medical condition of all FPU members, in collaboration with the respective FPU commanders.
• Liaise with Mission Contingent Owned Equipment (COE) Unit and conduct regular COE inspections in the field.

• Coordinate activities and operations of FPUs deployed in the sector/area of responsibility.

• Develop a close professional relationship with Senior Central African Republic’s National Police and Gendarmerie Commanders to facilitate the implementation of the mandate.

• Develop training exercises to increase the capacity and capabilities of the various Central African Republic Law Enforcement Agencies.

• Coordinate administrative and logistical needs of the FPUs within the Mission.

• Coordinate the arrival and departure to and from mission area of all members of FPU.

• Ensure that all FPU members are treated in accordance with United Nations rules, regulations and other issuances, in collaboration with the respective Sector Commanders and the FPU commanders.

• Ensure that all FPU members are aware of their responsibilities, including through induction, to adhere, both in and off duty, to UN rules, regulations, and guidelines as well as other mission directives and issuances, in collaboration with the respective FPU commanders.

• Facilitate any enquiry that may be required to address incidents that are of public concern involving members of the FPU, in collaboration with the respective FPU commanders.

• Advise National Police and Gendarmerie on civil unrest and crowd control tactics.

• Perform additional duties as directed by the MINUSCA Police Commissioner.

Competencies:

• Professionalism: Shows pride in work and achievements; demonstrates professional competence and mastery of subject matter; 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. Strong negotiation and conflict-resolution skills. Outstanding expert knowledge in the technical field of work in general and in the specific areas being supervised in particular; strong organizational skills; experience in the management and administration: ability to review and edit the work of others.

• Communication: Speaks and writes clearly and effectively; listens to others, correctly interprets messages from others and responds appropriately; asks questions to clarify, and exhibits interest in having two-way communication; tailors language, tone, style and format to match audience; demonstrates openness in sharing information and keeping people informed. Ability to communicate effectively with a wide range of international and national agencies and partners, as well as with the people of different national and cultural backgrounds.

• Planning and Organizing: Develops clear goals that are consistent with agreed strategies; identifies priority activities and assignments; adjusts priorities as required; allocates appropriate amount of time and resources for completing work; foresees risks and allows for contingencies when planning; monitors and adjusts plans and actions as necessary; uses time efficiently

• Judgment/Decision-making: Identifies the key issues in a complex situation, and comes to the heart of the problem quickly; gathers relevant information before making a decision; considers positive and negative impacts of decisions prior to making them; proposes a course of action or makes a recommendation based on available information; checks assumptions against facts; determines that the actions proposed will satisfy the expressed and underlying needs for the decision; makes tough decisions when necessary.
QUALIFICATIONS:

Education: Advanced University Degree (Master’s or equivalent) in Law enforcement, Criminal Justice, Public Administration, International Relations, Law or other relevant field. A first level university degree with a combination of relevant academic qualifications and extensive experience in law enforcement, including planning and operational management may be accepted in lieu of the advanced university degree. Graduation from a certified police academy or other law enforcement training institution is also required.

Work Experience: A minimum of 7 years of experience (9 years in absence of advanced degree) in active national law enforcement is required. At least 3 years practical experience of commanding police operations, including formed police units (anti-riot), police units, gendarmerie units, and/or training of FPU personnel is required; policy and standard operating procedures development experience is required. Experience in organizational and resource management and operational planning is highly desirable. Peacekeeping or other international experience in the UN or other international organizations is an advantage.

Rank: Rank required for a P-4 is Superintendent, Lieutenant Colonel, equivalent or above.

Languages: French and English are the working languages of the UN. For the post advertised, fluency in oral and written French and English is required.

Preference will be given to equally qualified women candidates.

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In accordance with the new Policy on Human Rights Screening of UN Personnel, all individuals who seek to serve with the United Nations are requested to make “self-attestation” that s/he has not committed any serious criminal offences and has not been involved in violations of international human rights or international humanitarian law. The exact wording of the self-attestation is outlined in para. 5.2 of the above-mentioned Policy. The final decision on the selection of an individual to serve with the United Nations will also be subject to human rights screening.