United Nations Secretariat

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

VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT NUMBER: 2019-SPC-75916-DPO
DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS: 1 December 2020
POST TITLE AND LEVEL: Public Order Adviser, P-4
DUTY STATION: BRINDISI
ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT: DEPARTMENT OF PEACE OPERATIONS
INDICATIVE MINIMUM GROSS ANNUAL: U.S. Dollars 94,268
REMUNERATION (NOT INCLUDING POST ADJUSTMENT)

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United Nations Core Values: Integrity, Professionalism and Respect for Diversity

RESPONSIBILITIES: Under the direct supervision of a Team Leader of the Standing Police Capacity (SPC), the incumbent advises and assists on the law enforcement maintenance of public order including crowd management and riot control. The SPC is a UN Police mechanism for starting up police components in new UN peace operations as well as assisting existing operations on a continual basis. The incumbent provides advice on the deployment and use of international Formed Police Units (FPUs) in UN peace operations as well as the development of this capacity in indigenous law enforcement agencies that UN Police are mandated to assist. Activities are undertaken with regard to building institutional law enforcement capacity in the public order field, in line with the strategic mission of UN Police. When at Brindisi, the incumbent interacts closely with officials in the Police Division of the Department of Peace Operations and develops doctrine and concepts of operation on law enforcement and public order matters relevant to the respective assignments given to the SPC. S/he reviews current UN Police operations with a view to formulating proposals on public order assistance that the SPC is expected to undertake once deployed on the ground. When deployed in the field, the incumbent advises and assists UN Police in the deployment and use of FPUs as well as other public order practices and advises local law enforcement on the full breadth of law enforcement responses to ensure public order. Focus is placed on the organizational and structure changes required in indigenous law enforcement as well as developing local capacity and tactics for law enforcement units in crowd management and anti-riot operations, both during peaceful as well violent demonstrations and protests. The incumbent pays particular attention to the needs and requirements of indigenous formed police capacities and makes expert recommendations to support their overall development. S/he may also provide advice and assistance on crowd-related issues, close police protection of VIPs, policing diplomatic compounds and other representative areas, and providing police convoy and escort services.

COMPETENCIES:
Professionalism: Knowledge of theories, concepts and approaches relevant to democratic policing, law enforcement, community safety and capacity building; good research, analytical and problem-solving skills; ability to identify and participate in the resolution of complex issues and problems. Shows pride in work and in 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. 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. 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 the applied sciences, social sciences or other relevant field. A first level university degree with a combination of relevant academic qualifications and extensive experience in police operational matters, including public order maintenance may be accepted in lieu of the advanced university degree. Graduation from a certified police academy or similar law enforcement training institution is required. Work Experience: A minimum of 7 years of active law enforcement experience in a national law enforcement agency at the strategic, operational and administrative levels, including at least three years of experience in crowd management and riot control and other public order matters, both with regards to policy-making and implementation, is required. Must be in active national police service with the rank of Superintendent or Lt. Colonel, other service equivalent or higher rank is required. Peacekeeping or other international experience in the UN or other organizations is desired. Languages: English and French are the working languages of the UN. For the post advertised, fluency in oral and written English is required. Fluency in French is desirable.

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Preference will be given to equally qualified women candidates