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Peacekeeping Operations Contingent Commanders Course (MASL #s: P179085 In-Residence; P279085 MET; P309485 National)

The Center for Civil-Military Relations (CCMR) conducts a peacekeeping training course entitled "Peacekeeping Operations Contingent Commanders (PKOCC) course". The PKOCC course prepares potential commanders in the roles and responsibilities of contingent commanders, battalion commanders and sector commanders in complex peacekeeping operations, both for UN and other multinational operations. CCMR conducts this course through the United States (US) Global Peace Operations Initiative (GPOI) program. The course provides training to officers from the ranks of Lieutenant Colonel through Brigadier General.

Course Details: The PKOCC can be conducted in residence at the Naval Postgraduate School (MASL P179085) or in a host country through a Mobile Education Team as a regional (MASL P279085) or national (MASL P309485) course. In regional and in-residence courses, participants are drawn regionally or globally. The duration is 12 calendar days inclusive of weekend/cultural/social programs. Participants could use GPOI funding, IMET/EIMET or be self-funded.

Training Objectives: Gain an understanding of the operational environment of today's conflicts and the commanders' role in an integrated mission; ensure understanding of the importance of consensus, coordination and communication at the operational level among the military, humanitarian, and political actors; develop awareness and understanding of the various components of peacekeeping operations; enhance understanding of the underpinning legal framework of UN peacekeeping operations and the attendant Integrated Mission Planning Process; create a common understanding of the UN system and various agencies in the field including aspects of operational coordination; ensure understanding of the responsibilities and roles of the commander to effectively lead personnel employed in peacekeeping operations; enhance understanding of the importance of addressing various cross-cutting issues to include human rights, gender and the implementation of SCR 1325, Code of Conduct and Discipline, Sexual Exploitation and Abuses (SEA), through sound leadership and administration; understand the elements of conflict management; and develop skills and the ability to apply basic principles of negotiations and mediation.

Course Methodology: The training methodology includes presentations from Subject Matter Experts (SMEs) in conjunction with group discussions, plenary discussions, and classroom exercises. The focus of group discussions and exercises is problem solving based on a fictitious peacekeeping operation scenario or standalone problems related to various aspects of peacekeeping operations.

Course Instructors: The resource staff for the PKOCC course will consist of three to four SMEs and one senior SME (with experience as a commander in the field).

Participants: The course is limited to 30 participants. These participants will be selected from countries world-wide. Previous peacekeeping experience is desirable but not required.