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WOMEN'S PARTICIPATION IN PEACEKEEPING MISSIONS

Historically, stereotype formed in most people is that women should stay at home to raise children and cook. However, modern females are struggling to destroy this opinion. Women work in nearly all fields of human activities today. It has become common for everyone. The participation in peacekeeping missions is no exception.

Preconceptions are a challenge for women who want to get involved in multinational peace support operations, primarily since the preconceptions and stereotypes concern the condescension or calling into question their professional competences. A watershed moment in the history of United Nations peacekeeping occurred on 12 May 2014, when Major General Kristin Lund of Norway was appointed as the first female to serve as Force Commander in a United Nations peacekeeping operation — the UN Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus. This suggests that women also can successfully participate in peacekeeping missions. At present, women account for almost one third of the international personnel working in peacekeeping missions.

It is important that a person knows how to do the job, regardless whether such person is a man or a woman.

Increasing women's participation in peace keeping operations has the potential to benefit all parties: the local residents of the mission area, the peacekeeping operations and individual peacekeepers, both women and men. Including a more diverse range of experiences, capabilities and viewpoints at all levels of a peacekeeping operation opens up the possibility of missions that are more responsive and not as prone to group-think. Yet it is important to remember that gender is not the only relevant axis of identity. Class, race, religion, education, language, ethnicity, nationality – all feature heavily in the intersection of peacekeepers and locals.

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ADVANCED MEANS OF UMFV USE

Today both police and military contingent who participate in peacekeeping operations widely use unmanned flying vehicles (UMFV) to