



Job Title : Military Communications, Technology Policy and Equipment Officer, P-4

Department / Office : Office of Information and Communications Technology

Duty station : NEW YORK

Posting period : 29/05/2024 - 28/08/2024

Job Opening Number : DPO/SEC2401OMA/P-4/15

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

Organizational Setting and Reporting :

The incumbent for this Office of Military Affairs seconded post will be placed in the Office of Information and Communications Technology (OICT). The incumbent will report to the Chief, Business Relationship Management.

Responsibilities :

The incumbent will be responsible for the following duties:

- Acts as the subject matter expert and advisor in all respects of military technology solutions, in particular for the planning, deployment and operation of a wide array of Peacekeeping Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance (ISR) and military information and communications technologies (ICT).
- Develops integrated military technology solutions for UN Mission.
- Develops Concepts of Operation, mission support concepts and plans, including budget, equipment, contracts, personnel, training, structures and sourcing.
- Assists in the development of force structures and force requirements for military signals and intelligence units.
- Engages with Member States on contributions, training, equipment, standards, reimbursement, deployments, and partnership frameworks.
- Develops military technology standards and standardized operational procedures.
- Supports Mission start-ups and provides strategic guidance, oversight and ensure compliance with UN standards, goals, rules and regulations.
- Assists missions by mentoring, coaching and providing guidance to J6 personnel.
- Develops formal documents, such as Letters of Assist (LoAs) and Memoranda of Understanding (MoUs) with Member States.
- Contributes to strategy and technology roadmaps.
- Contributes to the development of procurement activities, such as source selection policies, and statements of work selection.
- Ensures that UN, military and commercial systems are combined in a seamless architecture.
- Supervises the day to day activities of the Military Communications Officer (P3) and another military expert personnel.
- Perform other related duties as required.
- Undertakes these or similar duties anywhere within UN Headquarters, as well as, in field missions including deployment to the missions for up to 90 days.

Competencies :

Professionalism: Excellent knowledge of theories and concepts relevant to military communications, intelligence, surveillance, and information technology planning, project management and budget development at the strategic and operational level is required. Must be conscientious and efficient in meeting commitments, making deadlines, and achieving results. Must be motivated by professional rather than personal concerns. Must demonstrate expertise in the related areas of military requirements analysis, project management, technology implementation methodologies and concept development at operational (Brigade or Division or equivalent) and strategic level (Component Command or Ministry of Defense or equivalent). 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 upon strategies; identifies priority activities and assignments; adjusts priorities as required; allocates the 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 the 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: Graduation from National Command and Staff College is required. Advanced university degree (Master's degree or equivalent) in electronic/telecommunications, computer science or related field is required. A first-level university degree (Bachelor's degree or equivalent) with a relevant combination of academic qualifications and two additional years of qualifying experience may be accepted in lieu of the advanced university degree.

Experience:

A minimum of seven (7) years of progressively responsible experience in military profession including military information collation, analysis and assessment at the operational (Brigade or Division or equivalent) and strategic level (Component Command or Ministry of Defense or equivalent) is required. Qualifying years of experience are calculated following the graduation from the national military/defense college or academy.

Applicant must be an active service military officer in the rank of a Lieutenant Colonel or equivalent in other services. Joint and multi-national planning experience is required.

Deployment in at least one recent United Nations Peace Operation or equivalent for a minimum period of one year required.

Experience in administrative processes, especially in ICT (CIS) military budget development or procurement is highly desirable.

Experience in advanced defence technologies, intelligence, surveillance and cyber defence is highly desirable.

Languages: English and French are the working languages of the United Nations Secretariat. For this post, fluency in English (both oral and written) is required; knowledge of French is desirable. Knowledge of another UN official language is an advantage.

Assessment Method :

Kindly note that you may, as part of the evaluation of your application for this position, be requested to undergo written knowledge-based or technical assessment exercises, which may be followed by a competency-based interview depending on the result of the written test.

Special Notice :

Circulation of this Job Opening is limited to the Member States of the United Nations. Only military officers who are currently employed in their national military service and who have received authorization from their respective national authority to apply for this Job Opening will be considered.

The Appointment is limited to service within the Department of Peace Operations (DPO) on posts financed under the peacekeeping support account requiring active military service. It should be noted that during the period of their secondment to the UN, military officers cannot be reassigned or transferred to any other position in the Department of Peace Operations (DPO) or other parts of the UN Secretariat. Successful candidates will be offered a two-year fixed-term appointment which, based on performance and operational needs, may be extended for a third year or, in exceptional circumstances, a fourth and final year.

Currently serving seconded active-duty officers under a UN contract are not eligible to apply or be nominated for another seconded officer position until after at least one year of separation from their last secondment on a contract with the UN Secretariat. As a result, nominations of currently serving seconded active-duty military officers under a UN contract will not be considered.

Nominations from women candidates are strongly encouraged.