



**Job Title :** Chief, Current Military Operations Service, P-5  
**Department / Office :** Current Military Operations Service  
**Duty station :** NEW YORK  
**Posting period :** 29/05/2024 - 28/08/2024  
**Job Opening Number :** DPO/SEC2401OMA/P-5/04

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

### **Organizational Setting and Reporting :**

This position is located in the Current Military Operations Service (CMOS), Office of Military Affairs, in Department of Peace Operations. The Chief of Service, (CMOS), reports directly to Chief of Staff and under the overall supervision of the Military Adviser for Peace Operations.

### **Responsibilities :**

The incumbent will have the following main responsibilities:

- Supervise, manage and organize the work of the Current Military Operations Service.
- Monitor the activities of the military component of current peace operations.
- Responsible for ensuring that timely and appropriate support is provided to the Heads of Military Components in the field, and that the Department of Peace Operations and Troop-Contributing Countries are kept abreast of developments in the military component of peace operations.
- Oversees the activities of the Peacekeeping Affairs Officers, who are each responsible for monitoring the military component of one or more peace operations.
- Conduct visits to peace operations when requested by the Military Adviser for fact-finding, technical assessment and reconnaissance purposes.
- Provide advice on the military aspects of current operations; and manages the Current Military Operations Service.
- Provide timely, sound and appropriate military advice to the Military Adviser, or other UN officials on operational issues associated with current peace operations and represent the Office of Military Affairs in various standing and ad-hoc inter-departmental committees, working groups and task forces.
- Prepare talking points, speeches, and take notes while accompanying the Military Adviser and other Senior Official attending high level meetings.
- Perform other related duties as required.
- Undertake 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:** Possess expertise in the area of appointment, ability to evaluate international political situations; ability to complete in-depth studies and to formulate conclusions; conceptual and analytical skills leading to formulation of policy recommendations; knowledge of the United Nations system, particularly its role in peace operations, a thorough knowledge of mandates, policies and guidelines related to peace operations; expertise in the planning and management of complex peace operations and an in-depth understanding of their operational, political and procedural aspects; ability to thoroughly analyze and evaluate critical matters pertaining to a broad spectrum of military issues/problems; ability to advise senior officials on approaches and techniques to address complex/sensitive issues; strong negotiating skills and ability to influence others to reach agreement on difficult issues; understanding of military issues related to political, economic, social and human rights programmes in mission areas; ability to work under pressure. 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. Allocates appropriate amount of time and resources for completing work. Foresees risks and allows for contingencies when planning.

**Communication:** Speaks and writes clearly and effectively. Listens to others, correctly interprets messages from others and responds appropriately. Tailors language, tone, style and format to match the audience.

**Leadership:** Is proactive in developing strategies to accomplish objectives. Establishes and maintains relationships with a broad range of people to understand needs and gain support. Anticipates and resolves conflicts by pursuing mutually agreeable solutions. Provides leadership and takes responsibility for incorporating gender perspectives and ensuring the equal participation of women and men in all areas of work; demonstrates knowledge of strategies and commitment to the goal of gender balance in staffing.

**Judgement/Decision-making:** Identifies the key issues in a complex situation, and comes to the heart of the problem quickly. Takes decisions with an eye to the impact on others and on the Organization. Proposes a course of action or makes a recommendation based on all available information.

## **Qualifications :**

**Education:** Graduation from a National War/Defense College in addition to graduation from National Command and Staff College is required. Military Advance Intelligence course is required. Advanced university degree (Master's degree or equivalent) in military science, political science, international relations, international economics, law, public administration, 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 ten (10) years of progressively responsible experience in military profession 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 Colonel or equivalent in other services for at least one year.

Staff experience with operations branch (J3) at the operational and strategic headquarters levels is required.

Experience in drafting strategic and operational military situation/performance reports is required.

Experience in command at the Battalion/Regimental Level is required.

Deployment to at least one recent United Nations Peace Operation for a minimum period of one year is required.

**Languages:** English and French are the working languages of the United Nations Secretariat. For the position(s) advertised, fluency in English is required. Knowledge of another official United Nations 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.