



Secretary-General's Planning Directive Carana - Planning for a United Nations [Peacekeeping] Operation

1. The United Nations Security Council, in its Presidential Statement S/PRST/2015/4 of 26 April 2015 stated its preparedness to consider measures to assist in the implementation of an effective peace agreement and an agreed process for political settlement of the conflict in Carana in coordination with the 8th Continent Regional Coalition (CRC).
2. In light of the ongoing violence and consistent violation of human rights in Carana, the displacement of more than 200,000 people, and the implications of the conflict for the region more generally, the objective of the United Nations should be to contribute to the creation of an environment conducive to national reconciliation, lasting peace and stability in a united Carana, where human rights are respected, the protection of all citizens assured, and in which internally displaced persons and refugees can return home in safety and dignity; and to contribute to the protection of civilians at risk. This should be achieved through a multidimensional presence, including political, military, police, humanitarian and human rights elements.
3. The deployment of a United Nations operation in Carana assumes that the ongoing Kalari process will produce an effective ceasefire arrangement and a peace agreement, and that the United Nations should be prepared to supervise and directly support the implementation of such an agreement. The success of a United Nations operation in Carana will require Member States to provide to the United Nations, military and police personnel to deploy into Carana, intelligence and logistical capabilities, and sustained political and humanitarian support.
4. In consideration of the above, the Under-Secretary-General for peacekeeping operations will identify a course of action for the United Nations system which will produce options for a multi-dimensional United Nations Operations in Carana. These options should be prepared by 20 May 2015, for my review and subsequent presentation to the United Nations Security Council. These options should reflect an integrated operation that should include political, military, police, human rights, public information and support elements; they should reflect a close linkage to the existing humanitarian operation and should be based on the findings of a thorough technical assessment mission report carried out in Carana, and should factor in the physical and logistical challenges presented by the general degradation of Caranian infrastructure. These options should clearly define the obligations of all major stakeholders and should be developed with the full participation of United Nations agencies, funds and programmes which have an operational presence in Carana, and in close consultation with the Peacebuilding Commission, the CRC, key partners, Caranian national interests and members of the Security Council.
5. All identified options should allow the United Nations to achieve its objective as described above.

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