



Lesson 1.3

Department of Peace Operations (DPO)

Content



- Structure and responsibilities of DPO
- Organisation, structure and responsibilities of DPO's main offices and Services
- DPO and DPPA shared functions



Learning Outcomes

- Explain the structure and responsibilities of DPO
- Explain the structure and responsibilities of the DPO's main offices and services
- Describe DPPA / DPO shared functions



DPO Role and Responsibilities

Political and Executive direction

- Assists Member States and SG in maintaining international Peace and Security
- Provides political and executive direction to UN PKO

Maintain contact

- Security Council, Troop and financial contributors
- Parties to the conflict

Integrate the efforts

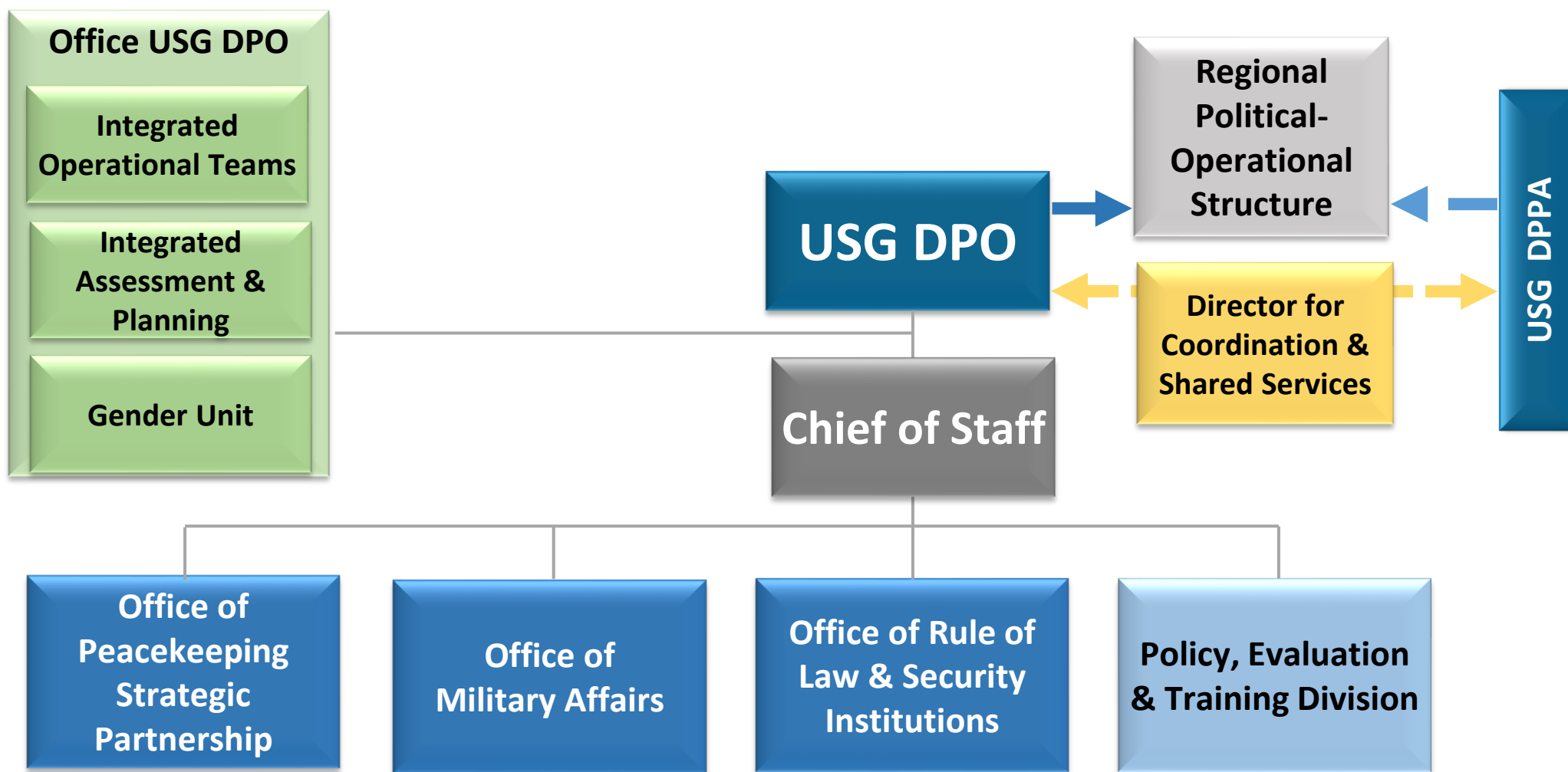
- United Nations, Government and Non-Government entities

Provide guidance and support

- Military, Police and Mine action issues to UN Political and Peacebuilding Missions

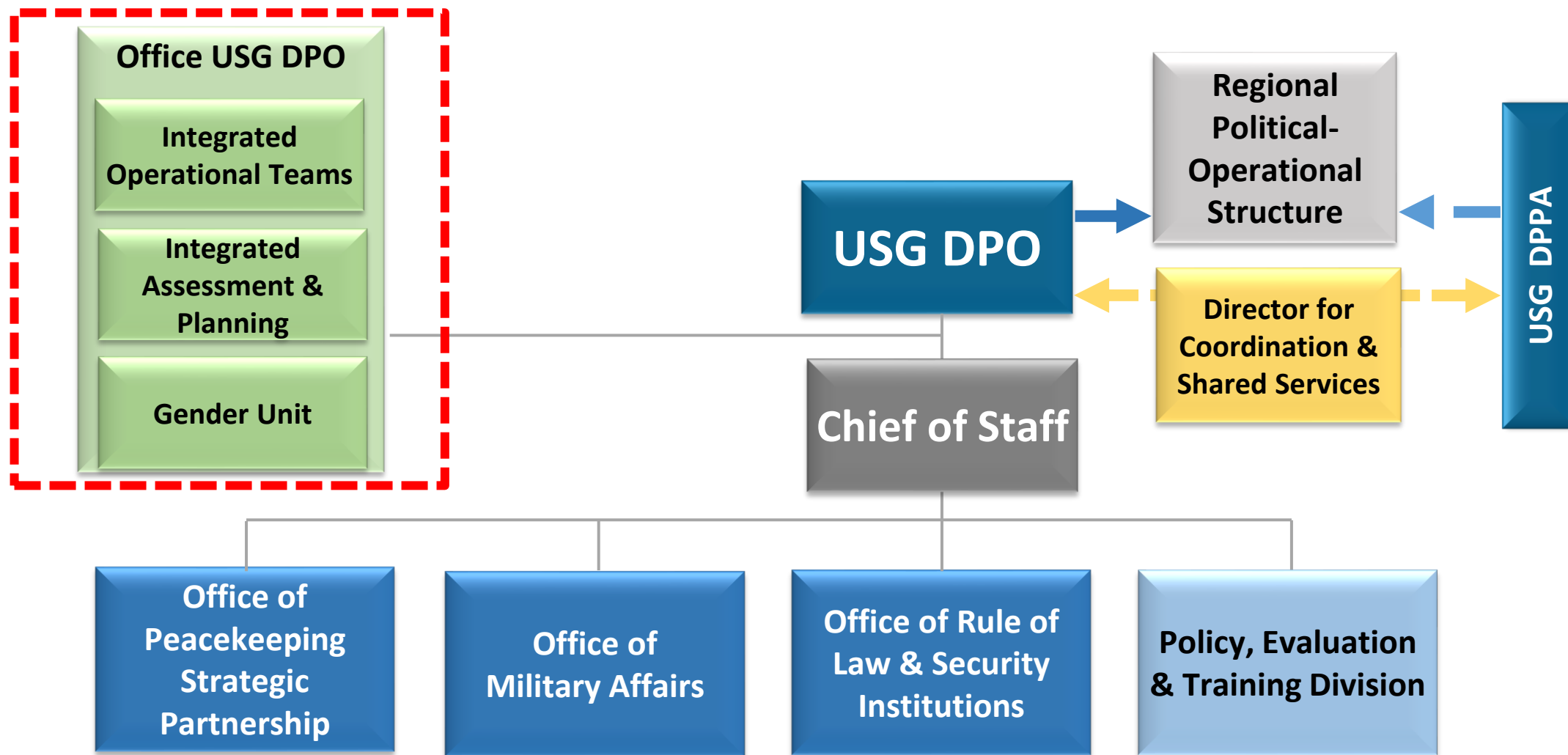


DPO Organisational Structure





Office of the USG DPO



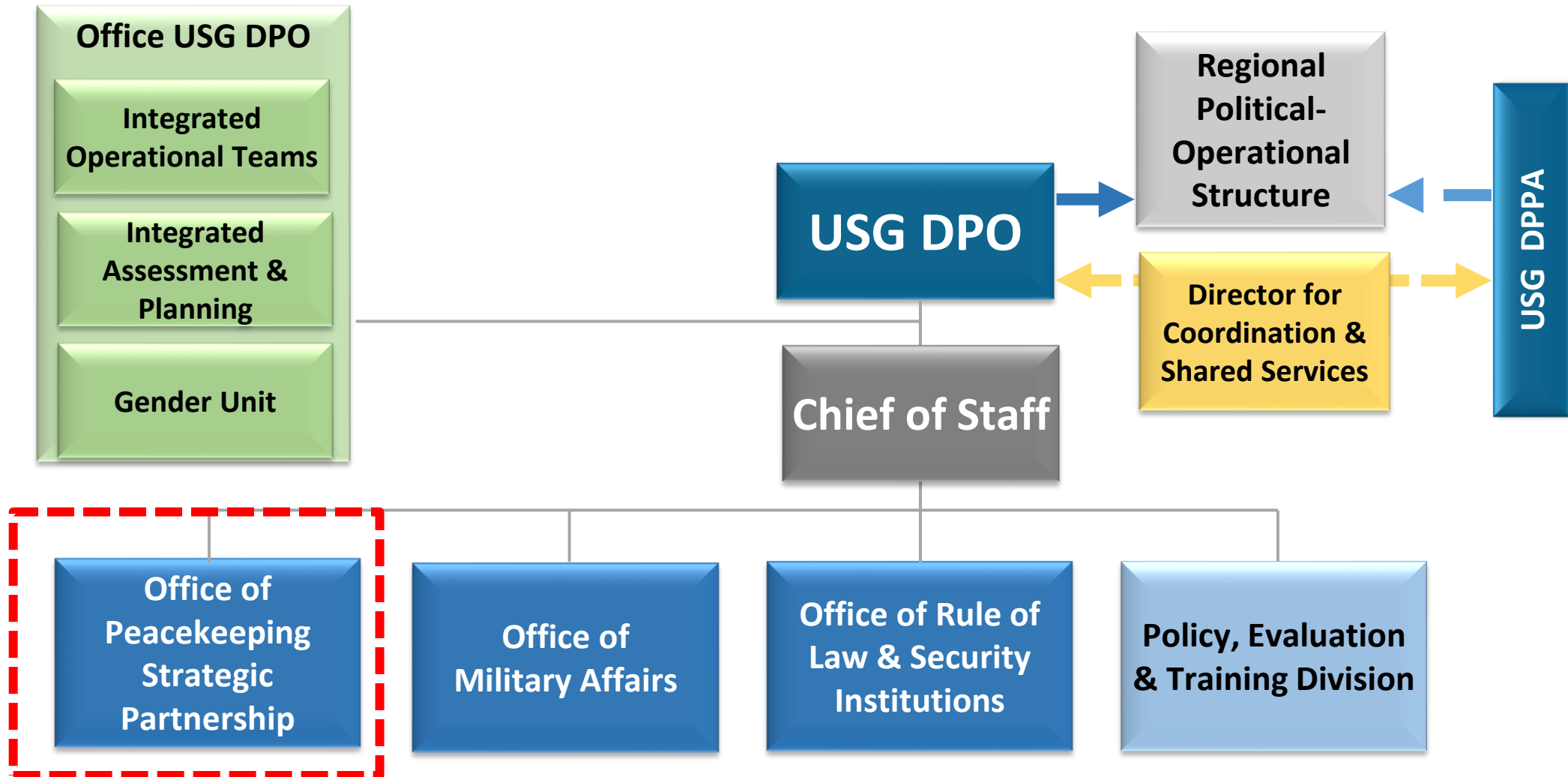


Office of the USG DPO



- Ensures an integrated approach to planning, directing, managing, and supporting Peace Operations
- Provides policy guidance on regulations and rules related to UN staffing, finance, delegation of authority, and cross-cutting matters
- Provides guidance on the implementation of gender equality and WPS mandates across UN PKO

Office of the Peacekeeping Strategic Partnership



Office of Peacekeeping Strategic Partnership

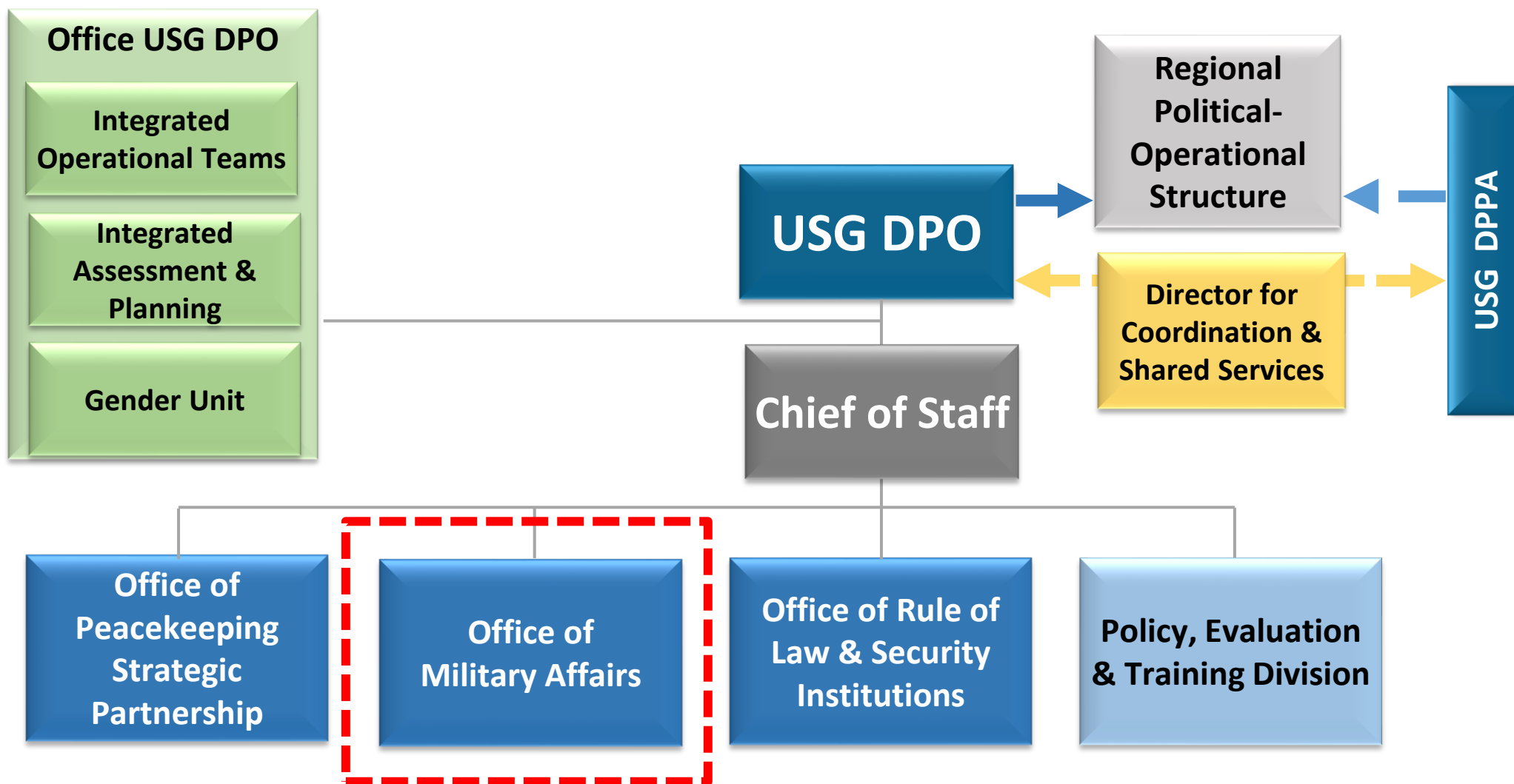


Office of
Peacekeeping
Strategic
Partnership

- Identifies gaps impacting delivery of mandates and makes recommendation
- Makes recommendations to ensure safety, security and welfare of uniformed personnel
- Makes recommendations to incorporate Lessons Learned and Best Practices
- Reviews the ability of uniformed contingents to deliver mandates
- Undertakes special investigations as required

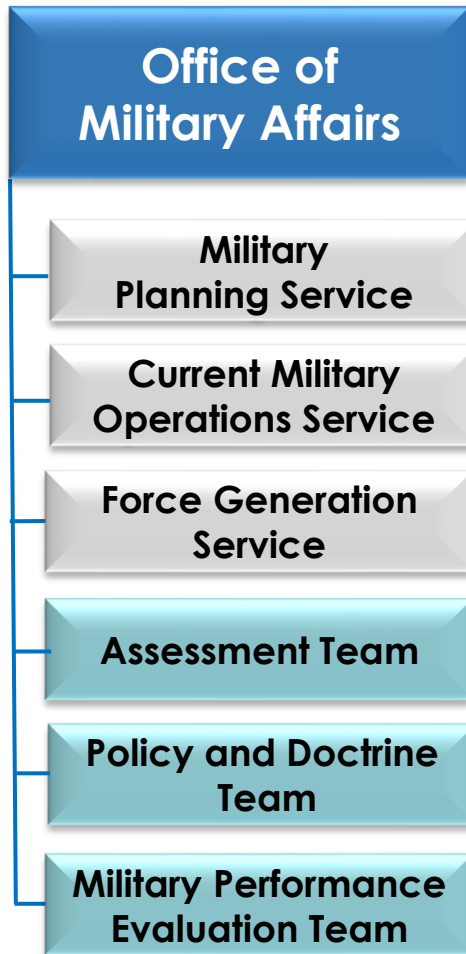


Office of Military Affairs



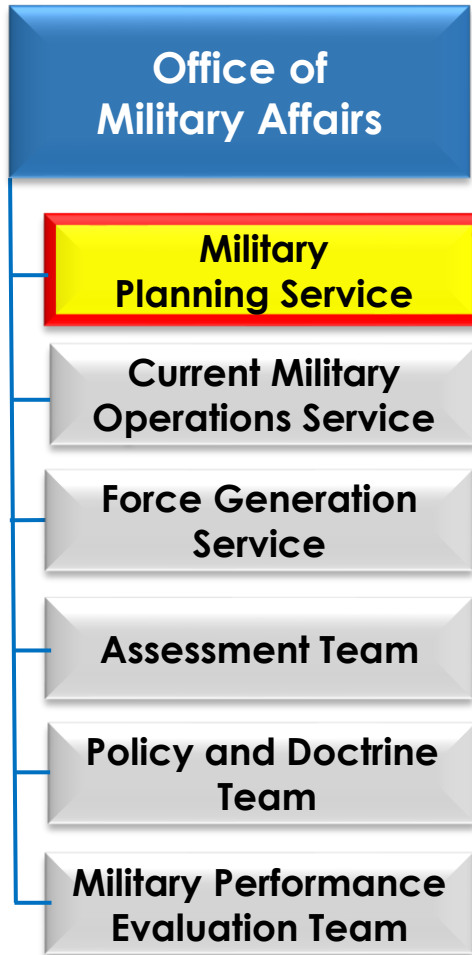


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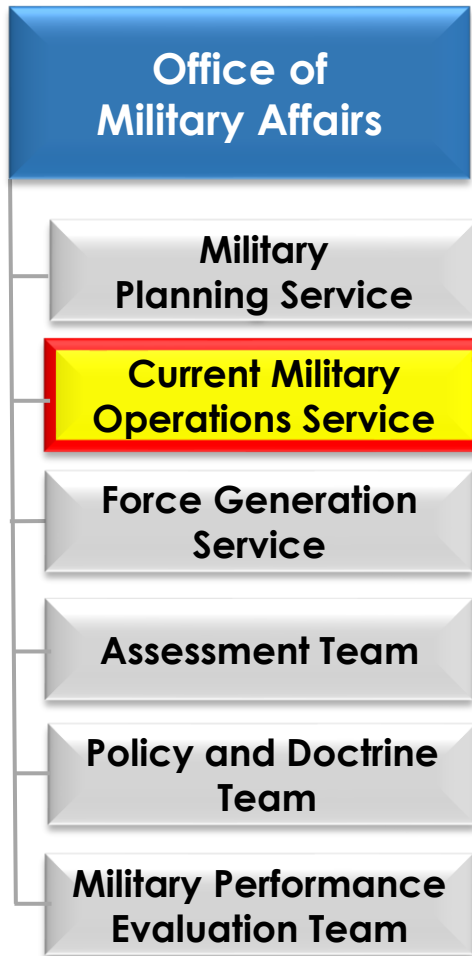
- Headed by the Military Adviser, who is responsible for providing military advice to the USG DPO for Peace Operations
- Deploys the most appropriate and effective military capability in Peace Operations
- Provides advice and support to heads of offices and divisions within the DPO and the DOS

Military Planning Service



- Provides military-strategic planning advice
- Conducts military-strategic planning
- Produces military guidance documents
- Monitors the military plans
- Specifies the force or operational requirements

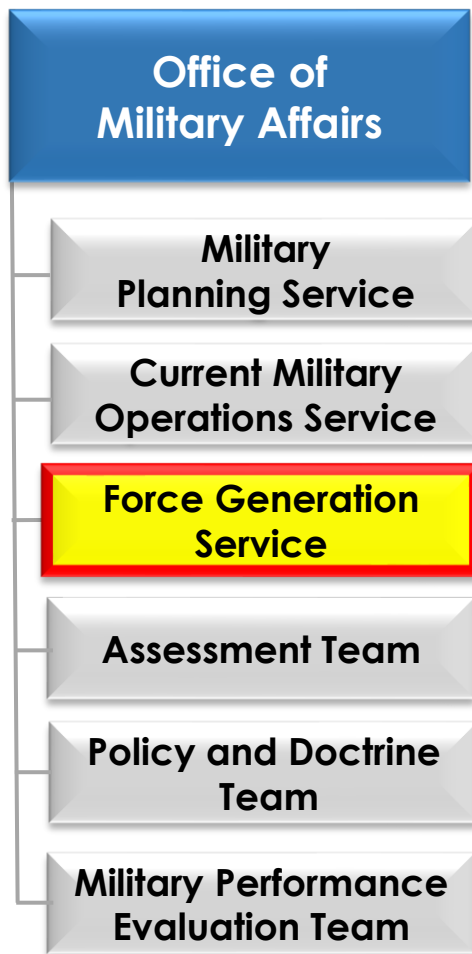
Current Military Operations Service



- Provides advice to the heads of military components of DPO-led operations
- Provides operational assessment and analysis
- Interacts with Permanent Missions on all military-technical operational issues
- Coordinates visits by MS and senior officials to PKO
- Coordinates responses by OMA to disciplinary issues involving military personnel in DPPA and DPO-led operations



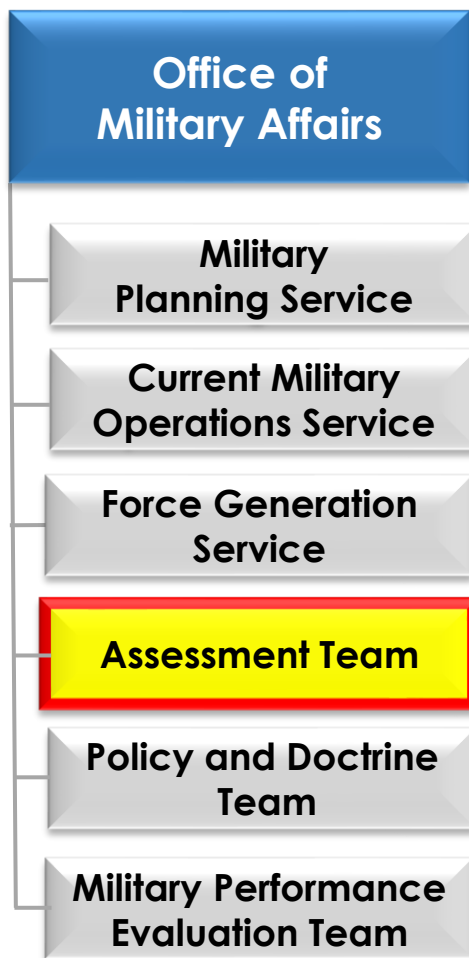
Force Generation Service



- Principal PoC with TCC conducting the FG process
- Participates and Coordinates the MOU negotiations
- Maintains records of service, performance and statistics for all UN military deployments
- Develops guidelines related to Force Requirements
- Coordinates Reconnaissance Visits
- Maintains and updates records of pledges in the PCRS



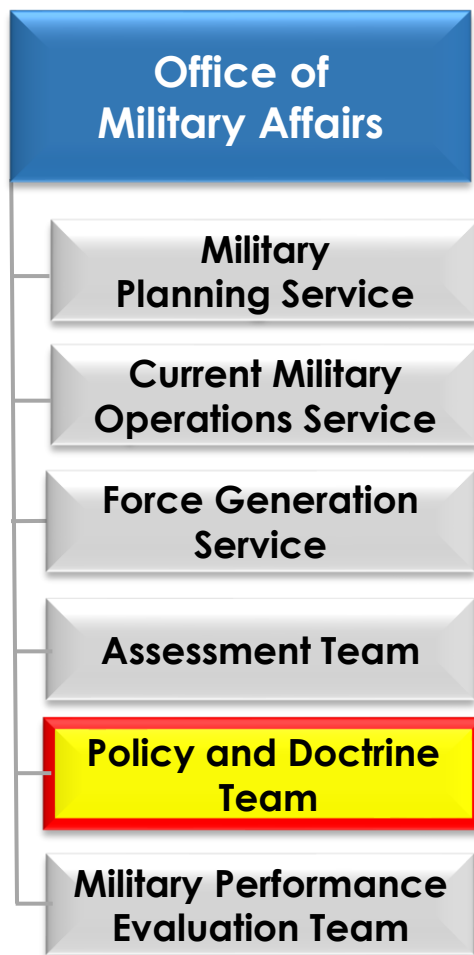
Assessment Team



- Delivers strategic military and threat assessments in current and potential PKO
- Anticipates and responds to critical information requirements to enhance force protection and support decision-making
- Provides operational and strategic analytical products



Policy and Doctrine Team



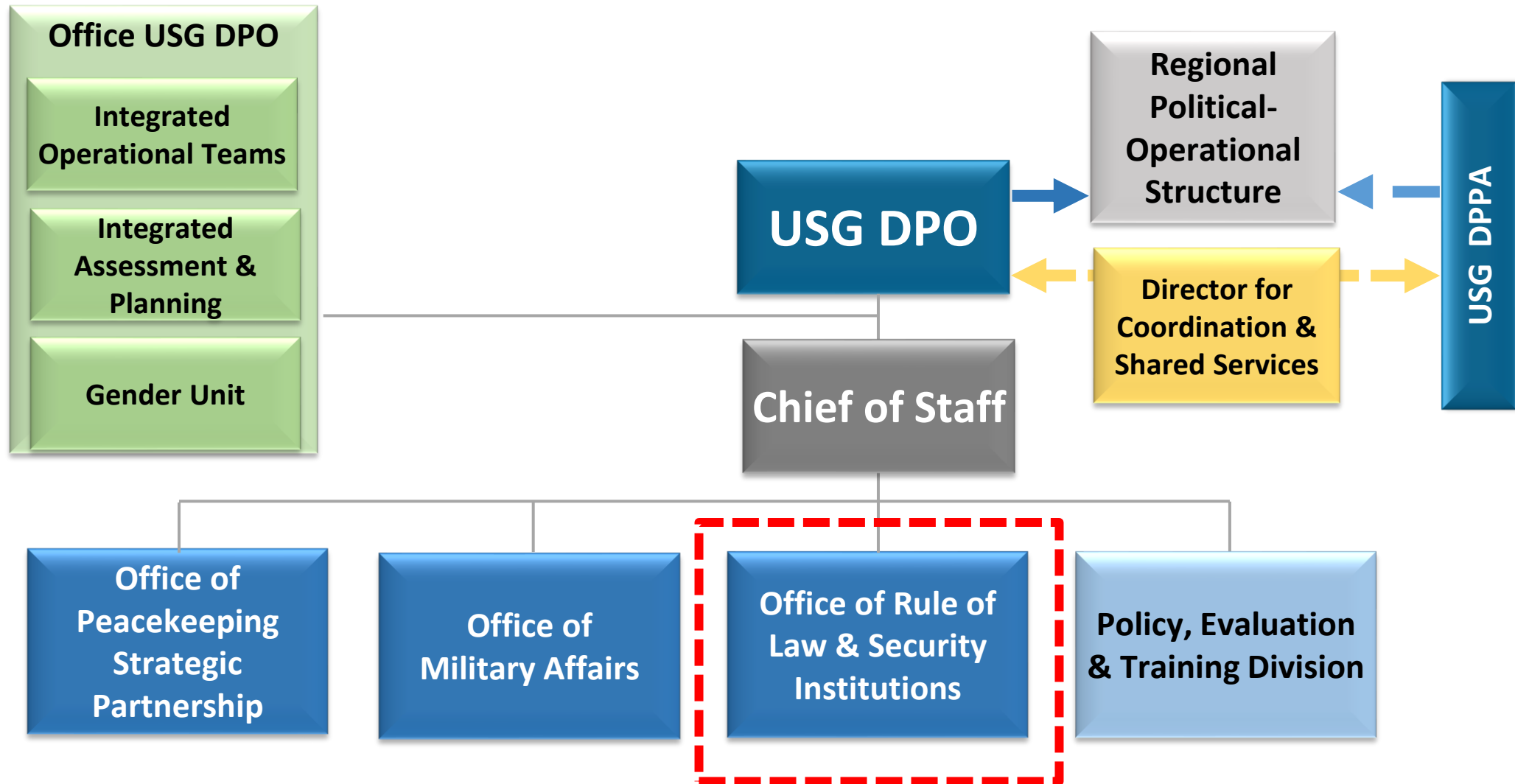
- Develops and manages UN Military Policy and Doctrine
- Supports the performance of military components in field missions by developing Policies and SOPs
- Focal point for liaison and partnerships with military elements of international/regional organisations
- Focal point for CIMIC with humanitarian organisations and UN system partners

Military Performance Evaluation Team



- Oversees and analyses the performance of military personnel deploying in PKO
- Conducts Operational Assessments
- Validates Military Skills standards during AAVs and PDVs
- Verify self-certification and readiness of TCCs

Office of Rule of Law & Security Institutions



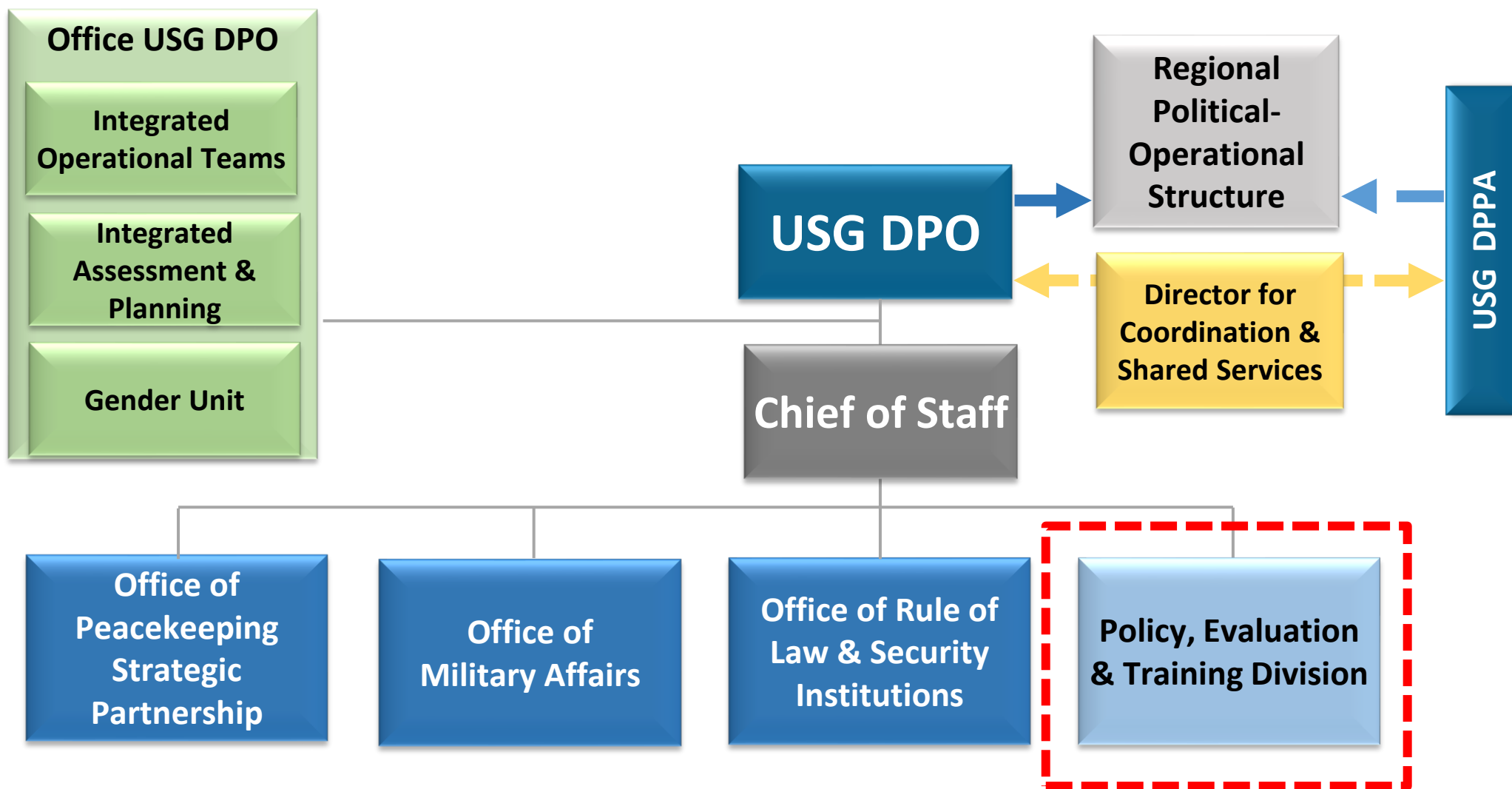
Office of Rule of Law & Security Institutions



- Provides police, justice, and corrections specialists
- Serves as the UN system-wide focal point on SSR
- Provides advice on re-establishing the criminal justice chain
- Implements and provides support on DDR programs
- Provides mine action expertise and develops and conducts training to ensure IED threat mitigation



Policy, Evaluation & Training Division

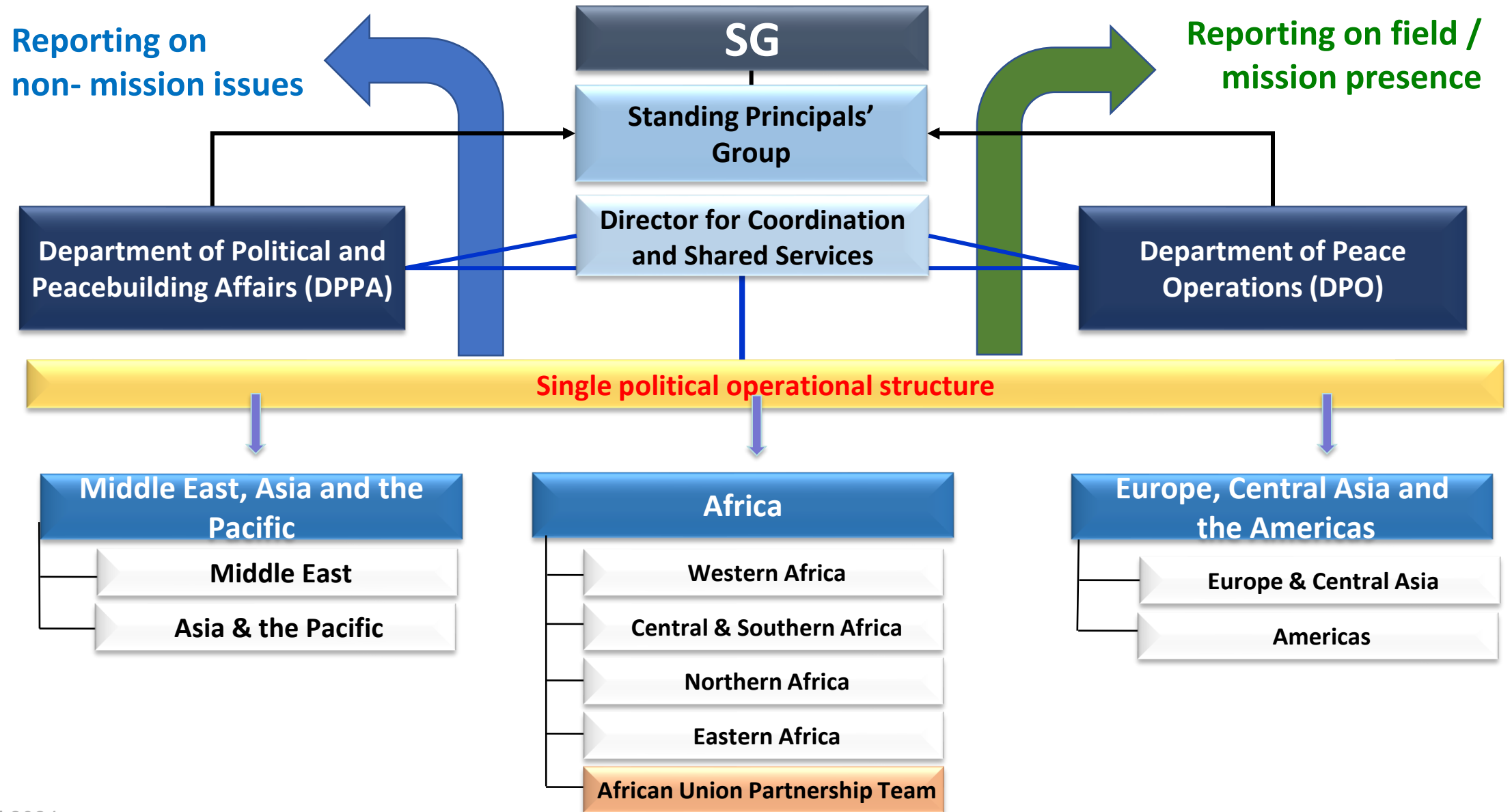


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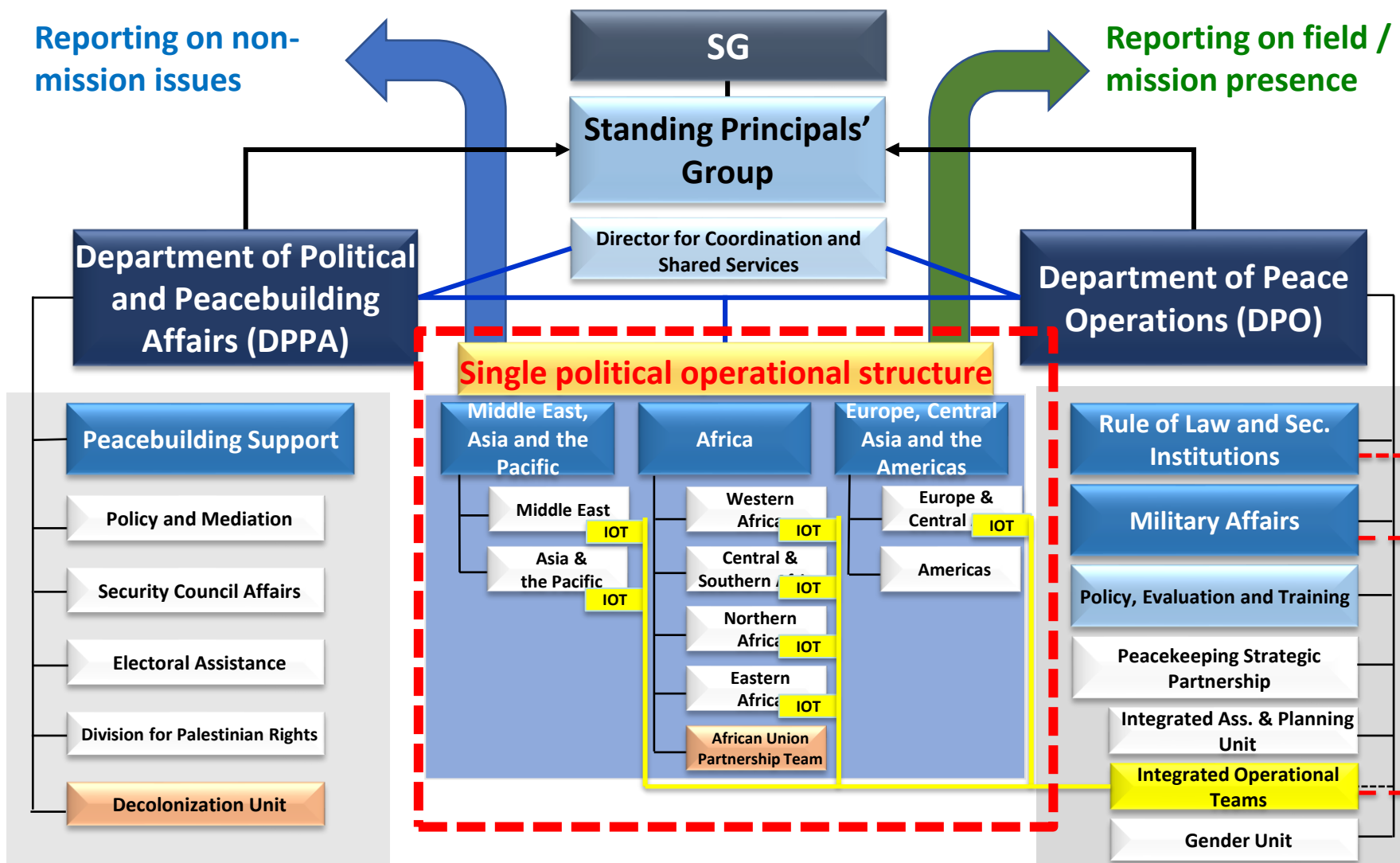
- Develops and disseminate policy and doctrine
- Evaluates mission progress towards mandate implementation
- Develops, coordinates and delivers standardised training
- Develops policies and frameworks for strategic cooperation with UN and partners

DPPA/DPO shared functions



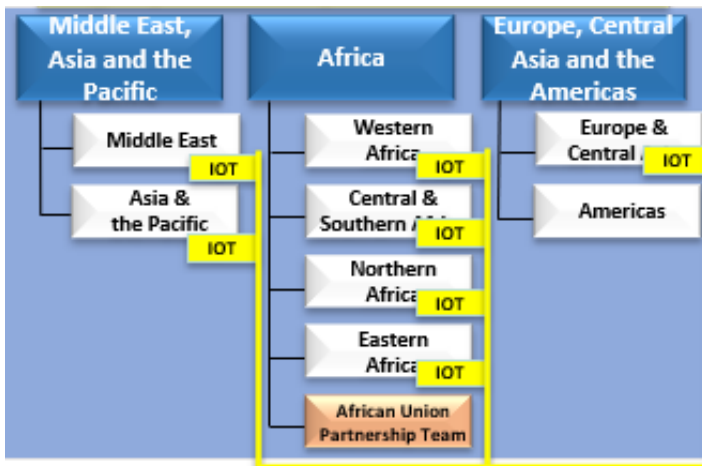


Integrated Operational Teams





IOT – Role and Responsibilities



- Provides integrated operational guidance and support to Department-led operations
- Ensures resolution of operational issues and monitors implementation of relevant mission plans
- Coordinates mission reviews
- Makes recommendations for mandates
- Responds to operational and political challenges

Summary of Key Messages



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- By delegation of the SG, DPO assumes the political and executive direction of all peace operations
 - DPO provides support in the military, police, judicial and mine action domains to other UN political and peacebuilding missions
 - DPO offices and services maintain contact with their counterparts deployed in peace operations
 - OMA works to deploy the most appropriate and effective military capability in peacekeeping missions



Learning Activity

Group discussion

Total Time: 15 mins

Preparation: 8 min

Discussion: 7 min

- What are the main offices (Office, Division, Service, or Team) under DPO that staff officers in the field mission may coordinate with?
- Briefly explain the main responsibilities of these offices and the type of coordination staff officers should maintain with them in field missions.