COORDINATION WITH CHILD PROTECTION ACTORS

Module 4

Department of Peacekeeping Operations

LEARNING 2 OUTCOMES 2

Be aware that protection of children is a shared responsibility of mission, UN, government and NGO actors

Understand coordination on child protection in UN peacekeeping missions including the role of the UN police

Understand the role of Child Protection Advisors (CPAs) and the UN Police Child **Protection Focal Points**

Know how to identify and refer children's cases to relevant actors within the child protection community



THE POWER OF TEAMWORK!

Coordination with I other child protection actors



UN police should cooperate with various child protection actors: Within the UN Mission



United Nations and Non-governmental actors



Child Protection actors

Within the UN Mission	United Nations and Non-governmental actors	National and local government actors
 Special Representative of the Secretary General / Head of the mission Civilian component Child Protection Advisor DDR, Human Rights , Justice & Corrections etc. Military component 	United Nations UNICEF UNHCR WHO UN Women International Labor Organisation(ILO) Child Protection Working Group ICRC and Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies	 Examples depending on the context Justice Social affairs Interior Special victims units in the police/child protection units Local communities
Police component UN Police Child Protection Focal Point 	NGOs Save the Children World Vision Oxfam Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC)	

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Child Protection Advisors(CPAs)

- Advisor and expert for child protection within the UN mission
- Mission focal point for monitoring and reporting on six grave violations
- Liaison with other child protection actors and coordination mechanisms such as the Child Protection Working Group
- Mission lead on dialogue with parties to conflict for release of children associated with armed forces and armed groups and other violations
- Mainstream child protection within mission components and build the capacity of national institutions, military, police, etc. on child protection
- Advocate for the protection of children and the respect for children's rights within the mission

UN Police Child Protection Focal Point :

- Point of contact on child protection for all UN Police within the mission
- Ensure that child protection is integrated into the work of UN Police.
- Support the adoption of mission-specific directives and standard operating procedures to inform the actions of United Nations police officers.
- Provide guidance on child sensitive interviewing techniques and community-oriented policing.
- Advocate for compliance with international norms and standards, including those in relation to the apprehension and detention of children.
- Provide support for the prevention and response to violations of children's rights and abuses against children, including SEA.

conclusion

Video : This is Samira (available in several languages)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pEaNwDtQRwI

Questions

What are the key messages of this module?

IKEY MESSAGES

1.Be aware of the role and responsibilities of UN police on child protection and how it relates to their work

2.Understand coordination mechanisms within the UN system and at the national level.

3.Identify the actors involved in child protection upon arrival in the mission area and know who is doing what.

IKEY MESSAGES

4.Child Protection Advisors act as the primary interface on child protection issues between the mission and external child protection actors.

5.The UN Police Child Protection Focal Point facilitates coordination and information sharing with CPAs and child protection staff.