

Prevention & Response to Conflict-Related Sexual Violence

Mission Approaches





"Supporting host governments to meet their protection responsibilities, including preventing and addressing accountability for sexual violence in conflict, lies at the heart of modern peacekeeping.

UN Peacekeeping is not only working hard to protect civilians from sexual violence but also to ensure women's participation in the peace process.'



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Introduction



Aim

 To explain the role & responsibilities of the Mission HQ & various instruments in combating CRSV.

Scope

Part I : Mission Framework to address CRSV.

Part II : Role & Responsibilities of WPAs.

Part III : Mission approaches in addressing CRSV.

Part IV : Country Level Initiatives.



Learning Outcomes



Comprehend/Understand/Be able to:

- UN peacekeeping Mission framework to address CRSV;
- Interact & support WPAs in the mandate implementation;
- Integrate & coordinate with other components/partners;
- Mission's approaches in prevention & response to CRSV; &,
- Execute prevention & response measures to combat CRSV as part of mandate implementation.



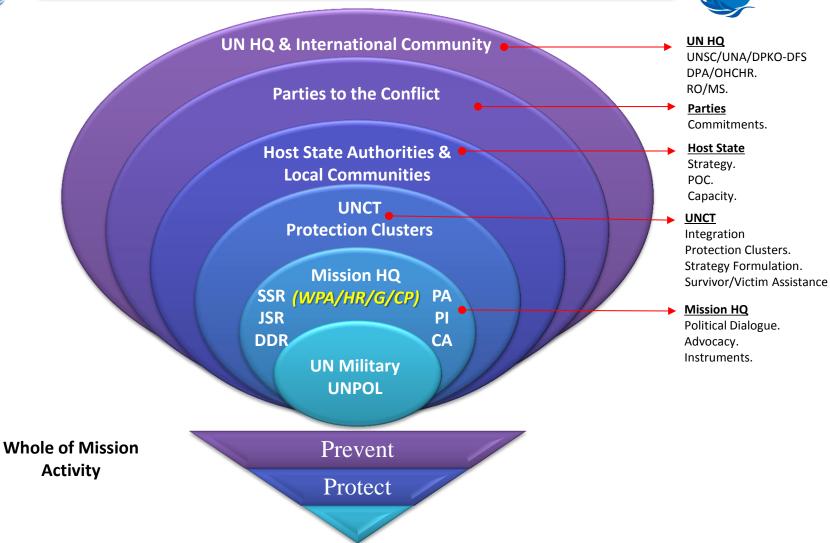
Mission Framework To Address CRSV





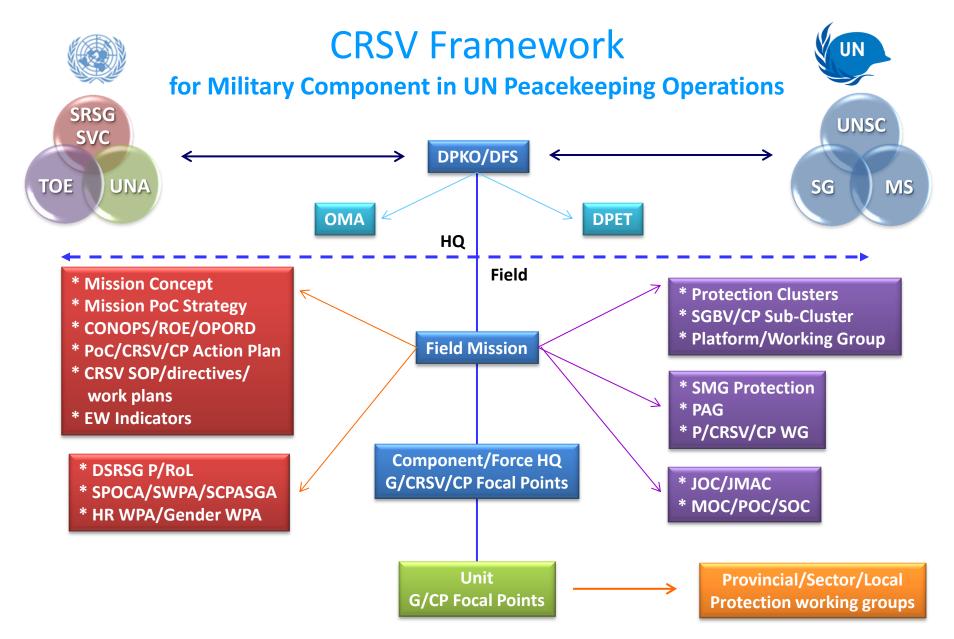
Combating CRSV: A Holistic & Comprehensive Approach





Neutralise

CRSV Threats





Role & Responsibilities of Mission HQ





Mission HQ Responsibilities



- Unity of effort & coherence;
- Develop & implement protection strategies;
- Set Mission-wide operational direction for:
 - Component level objectives, benchmarks and deliverables;
 - Political engagements, civil affairs efforts & public information campaigns;
 - Integration, coordination & unity of effort.
- Establish CRSV prevention & response framework;
- Constructive engagement (including advocacy);
- Capacity building of host Government & state institutions;
- prevent/deter & neutralise threats/incidents; &
- Reconciliation & empowerment of local communities.



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- Political Dialogue;
- Advocacy;
- Constructive engagement;
- Assist Host State;
- Report to the Security Council;
- End impunity;
- PoC;
- Promote equality, participation & empowerment.



Mission Substantive Entities







WPAs: Role & Responsibilities



- Assist SRSG (HoM) & guide components;
- Political engagement & Advocacy;
- Comprehensive National Strategy & Missions Action Plan;
- Mainstream, integrate & Coordinate;
- MARA;
- Gender-specific early-warning;
- Capacity building;
- Address CRSV together with HR;
- Monitor, report, analyse & investigate; &
- Promote equality, participation & empowerment.



Coordination & Engagement



- Parties to the Conflict.
- Listed Parties.
- UN Country Team.
- Host State.
- Communities.



Country Level Initiatives by UNCT



- Comprehensive National Strategies;
- Institutional capacity development;
- Legislative/legal assistance;
- Provision of services (Referral Arrangements);
- Capacity building of law enforcement & security agencies; &,
- Coordination (clusters & processes).



Conclusion





Takeaways



- Strategic level Peace process; women's participation; political engagement, eliciting commitments; listing of perpetrators; imposing sanctions & judicial processes.
- Operational level proactive measures & credible responses to prevent CRSV, protect vulnerable sections of population deter perpetrators & neutralise potential/impending/on-going threats.
- At the heart of any intervention regarding CRSV is the priority protection and assistance to the survivors, witnesses and community.



Thank You

