



Lesson 1.1 - UN Military Component and Units and Role of National Investigation Officers

Lesson 1.1 Learning Outcomes

- Explain organization and structure of generic multidimensional field mission
- Explain organization and roles of military component to include Force and Sector Headquarters
- List the types of military units operate in field missions
- Explain organization, roles and employment concept of Infantry Battalion
- Apply Concept of Employment, roles and pre-requisites of NIOs

Lesson 1.1 Content

- Mission Organization
- Military Component
- Military Contingent/Units
- Infantry Battalion
- The Concept of Employment of NIOs in Military Units
- Pre-requisites of an NIO
- Duties and Responsibilities of NIO
- Summary of Key Messages

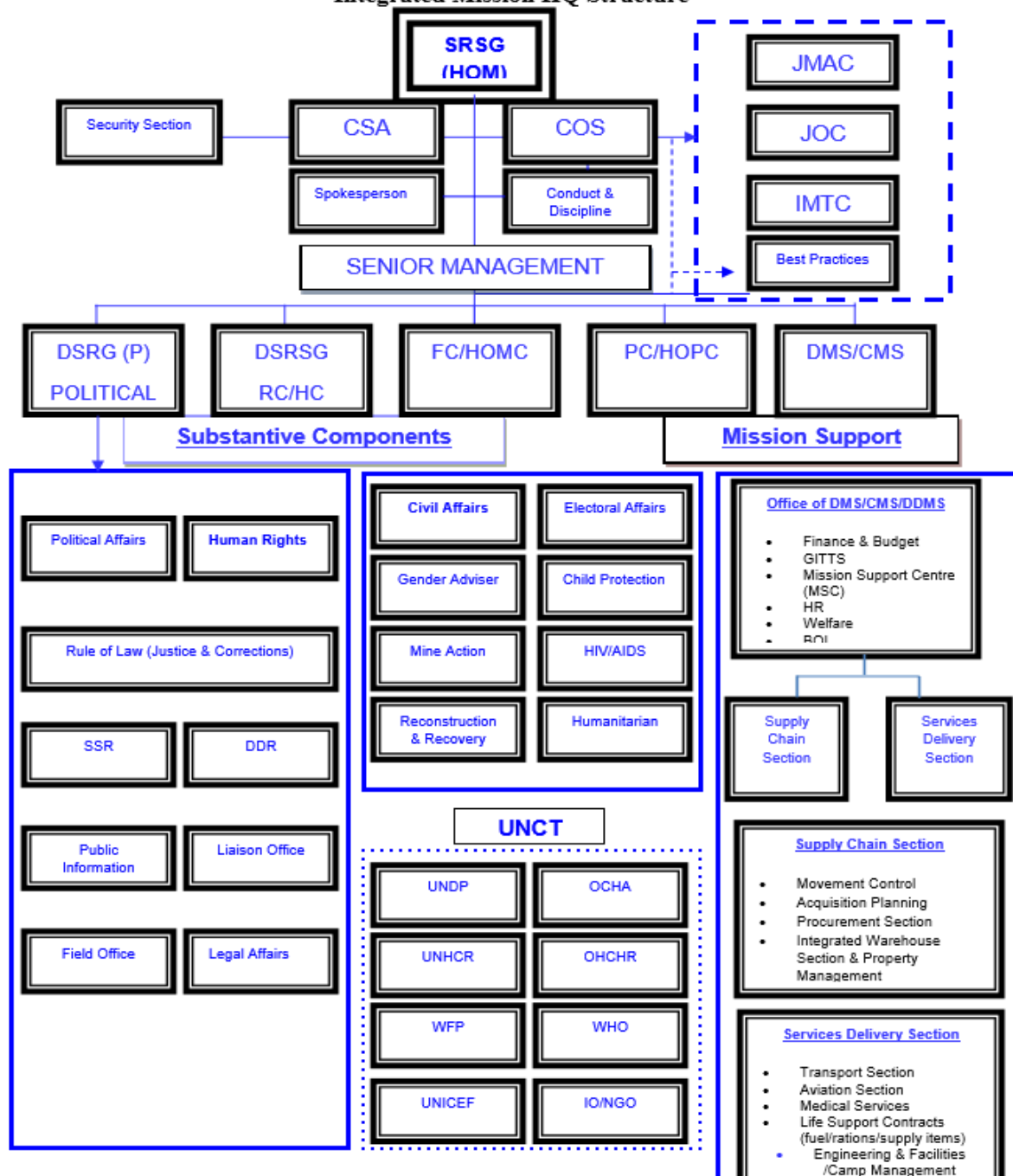
Mission Organization

- Peacekeeping operations with military capability are distinct from other organizations
- UN peacekeeping has evolved into a complex, multi-dimensional enterprise with an integrated structure
- Civilian Head of Mission
- Inter-mission cooperation is important for military formations

Generic Mission Structure

- Mandate is the starting point for defining a mission's responsibilities
- Responsibility delegated for the conduct and support of missions to the USG for Peacekeeping Operations
- SRSG serves as Head of Mission
- SRSG reports to the SG through the USG for Peacekeeping Operations

Integrated Mission HQ Structure



Peacekeeping Mission HQ

- Comprise the senior management team, the integrated decision making and support structures and various substantive components
- Mission Leadership Team (MLT)
- Two Deputy SRSGs responsible for the political pillar and Humanitarian Coordination
- DMS authorized to commit mission financial resources
- Other key appointments are HOMC, HOPC, COS and CSA

Military Component

General

- UN peacekeeping operations have grown in complexity and scope
- The tasks of the UN military components have become increasingly complex
- Military capability under UN command has changed and is no longer lightly armed

Military Component

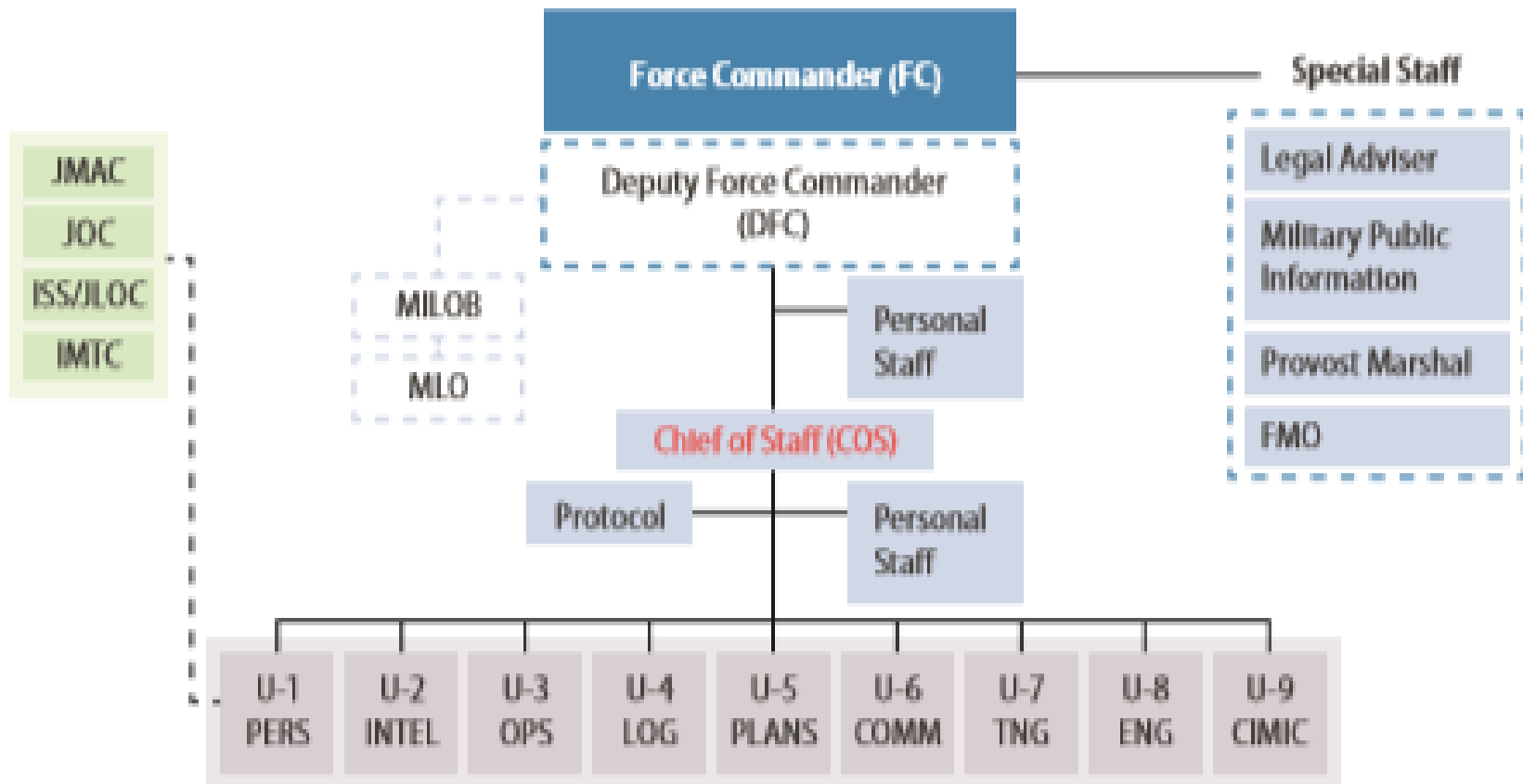
Role

- Primary function is to provide a secure environment
- Military components to work in conjunction with the military forces of other entities
- Need a broader interface between military and non-military components

Force HQ

- Each Mission is unique by nature
- Force HQ configuration based on the Mission characteristics and the mandate
- Standardization of the Force HQ organization has been done to reflect UN approaches and methodologies
- Key role of the FHQ is the command and control of the mission's military operations

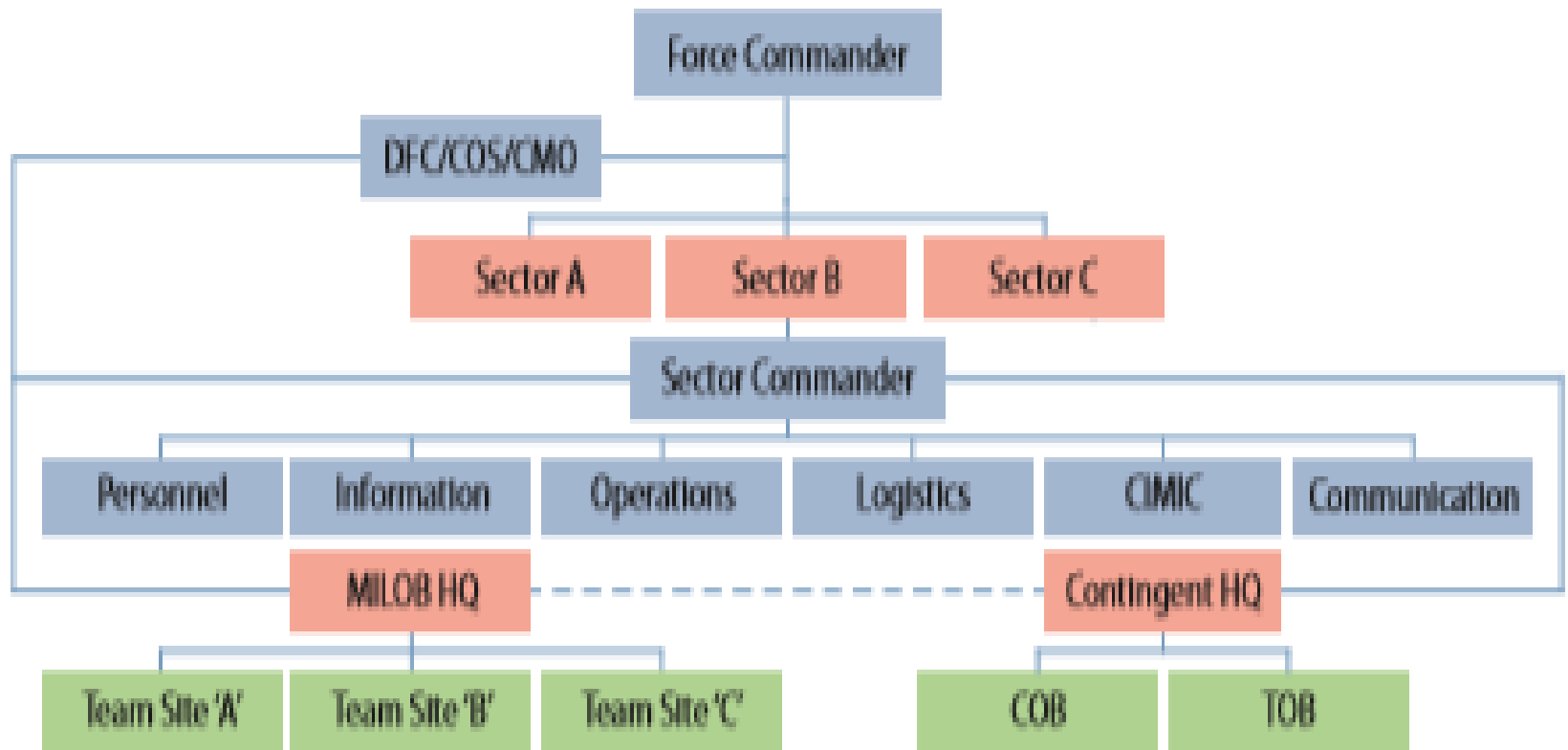
Force HQ Structure



Sector/Brigade HQ

- The FHQ will have a number of Sector/Brigade HQs responsible for the execution of the mandate
- Infantry battalions execute the assigned tasks

Sector/Brigade HQ Organization



Military Contingent/Units

- Military component is comprised of number of units/sub-units contributed by Troop Contributing Countries (TCCs)
- Types of units are-
 - a) Infantry Battalion (regular and mechanized)
 - b) Military Aviation Unit (Rotary and Fixed)
 - c) Military Signals Unit
 - d) Military Engineer Unit
 - e) Force Headquarters Support Unit
 - f) Military Logistics Unit
 - g) Riverine Unit
 - h) Special Forces Unit
 - i) Transportation Unit
 - l) Military Police Unit

Military Operational Chain of Command

- The HOMC shall establish the military operational chain of command, as follows: HOMC; Division; Sector (Brigade); Battalion Commanders; Company Commanders and sub-units
- The HOMC shall ensure that staff officers are not placed in command of formations or units
- The Field Command Framework shall include clear chain of command succession arrangements at all tiers of command

Operational Control of Military Personnel

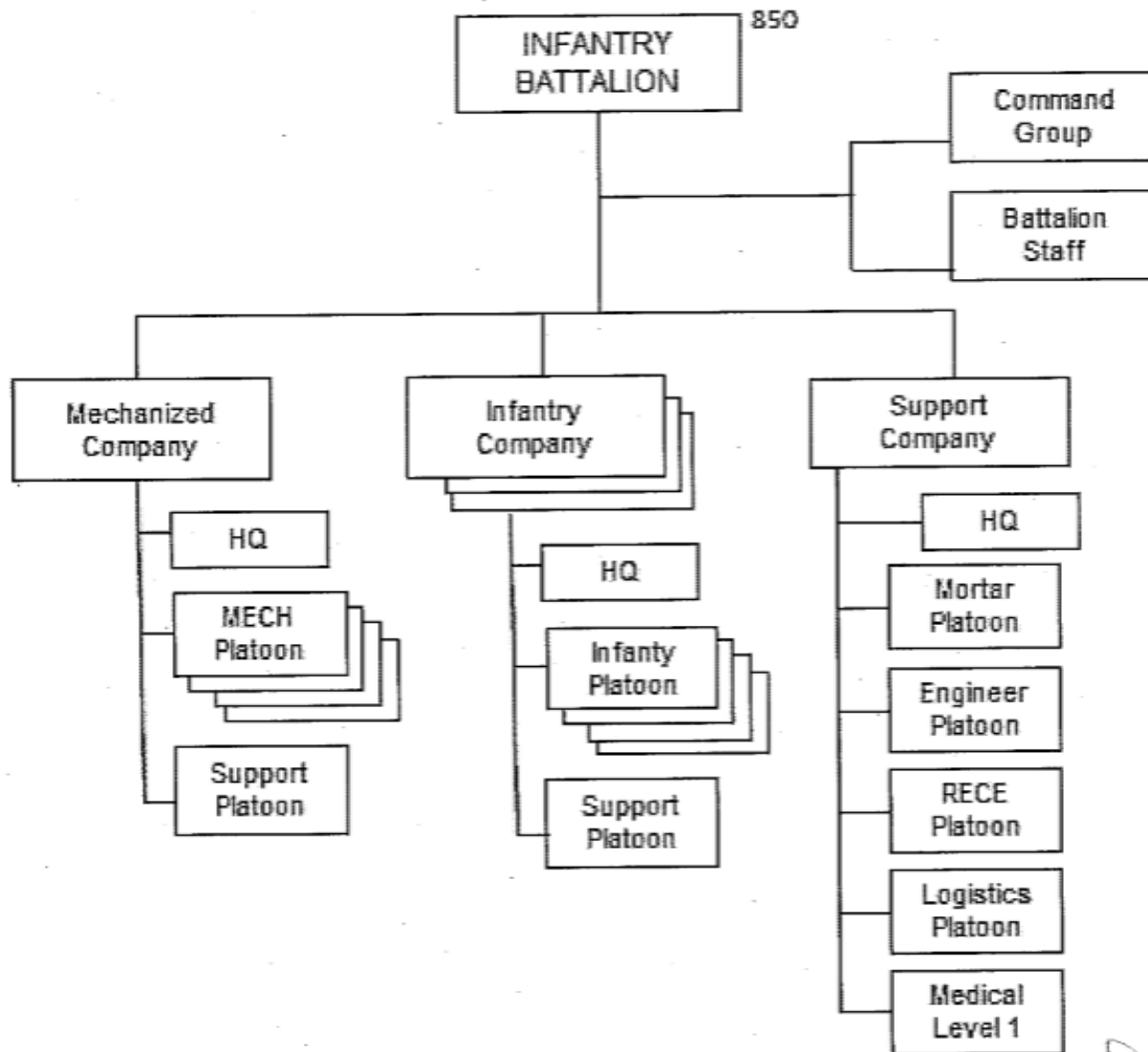
- The HOMC is accountable and responsible to the HOM for the supervision and technical management of the military component
- The HOMC exercises 'UN operational control' over personnel and contingents assigned by Member States to the peacekeeping operation
- HOMC may delegate UN operational control to appropriate subordinate levels defined within the command framework

Infantry Battalion

- Nucleus operational units of military component
- These units undertake all tactical and operational tasks as per mandate and Military Concept of Operations
- NIOs are embedded in Infantry contingents who can support other units
- It's imperative for NIOs to understand the basic organization, roles and employment concept of an infantry battalion

Infantry Battalion

UNIT ORGANISATION



Infantry Battalion

Role and Responsibilities

- The primary role is to restore and maintain a stable and secure environment
- The AOR defined and demarcated based on the capability of the battalion
- Battalion assets aimed at ensuring freedom of movement, protect civilians and UN personnel, property, facilities and installations in the AOR
- Is trained to plan and conduct conventional offensive and defensive operations

Infantry Battalion

Employment Concept

- The Companies with organic capabilities execute static and mobile
- Maintain inherent rapid capability to establish/relocate static and mobile bases/posts
- Capability to group and regroup subordinate units and weapon platforms/systems

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Infantry Battalion

Employment Concept

- Capability to take additional elements as attachments and detach elements as needed
- Responsible to conduct peacekeeping operations in the designated AOR; companies will be responsible in assigned AOR
- Obligation to execute its peacekeeping responsibility 24/7

The Concept of Employment of NIOs in Military Units

- Two NIOs for a unit sized in excess of 300 personnel
- NIO already within the mission can undertake investigation
- NIO must deploy to the mission to commence an investigation no later than seven days after notification of requirement
- NIOs be “dual-hatted” as personnel or legal officers

Pre-requisites of an NIO

- Background as Military Police or Legal Advisor
- National/Service qualifications for conduct of investigations
- Sexual assault investigative skills
- Familiarity with UN standards of conduct
- Familiarity with MOU and SOFA
- Familiarity with DNA protocol
- Familiarity with command accountability requirements of the UN
- Familiarity with "Zero tolerance" and related policies.

Duties and Responsibilities of NIO

- Advise the Unit Commander on conduct and discipline issues
- Conduct investigations concerning alleged cases
- Provide investigation reports to national authorities
- When the UN initiates administrative investigations -
 - Serve as a team member and national representative.
 - Participate in mission Immediate Response Team (IRT)

Summary of Key Messages

- The mandate is the starting point for defining a mission's responsibilities
- The primary function of the military component is to provide a secure environment
- Military component is comprised of number of contingents or units/sub-units
- The primary role of a UN Infantry Battalion is to restore and maintain a stable and secure environment
- The TCC is to decide if an NIO already within the mission can undertake the investigation
- NIOs must be familiar with UN standards of conduct, mission-specific rules, national criminal and/or military justice law etc



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