

# GPOI United Nations Military Observer Training, In Residence Course

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CCMR offers a custom-designed Expanded International Military Education and Training (IMET) course entitled “Global Peace Operations Initiative (GPOI) United Nations Military Observer Training,” exportable on demand to all IMET recipient countries. The purpose of the course is to prepare officers (Capt. - Lt. Col.) for service as United Nations Military Observers (UNMO) in any current and/or upcoming United Nations Peacekeeping Mission. The course will meet current standards of performance established by the United Nations and best practices from training being conducted by other peacekeeping Nations. Specifically the training will address the most recent changes in the environment, which influence Military Observer training. Given the potential of varying skill levels of the forces and of participating nations, the proposed Military Observer training program represents a master menu, which defines all aspects of possible training. Training can be tailored according to each nation’s particular needs to provide a consistency of approach, with all nations achieving a common level of interoperability. The program will establish baseline observer skills necessary to operate within a UN, coalition or regional peacekeeping force. These basic skills constitute the foundation of a credible PKO force and the skills are critical to operational effectiveness. The key objectives of the course are to provide instruction and technical assistance to: Introduction to Peace Support Operations; Knowledge of UN conflict control operations, especially: UN organization and function, relations between UN components and local authorities, and legal aspects; UNMO cooperation with UN Agencies, International Organizations and NGOs; Specific Observer duties; Code of Conduct; Political, cultural, social, religious and other mission area factors; Liaison, negotiation and mediation; Force Security (personal security); Human Rights obligations; and Logistics support of Observer Missions.

Priority is placed on combining education and practical application in the form of theoretical presentations and the completion of a field practicum. Course procedural and implementation guidelines along with take-away references for independent national course development, are provided to the country’s defense leadership, for further developing national UNMO education and training capacity, and to the ODC/SAO as a status report on the recipient country improved PSO capability. Course objectives are achieved through rigorous application of problem-solving with emphasis on working with military officers in a group settings. At the end of this course, the recipient country will be better prepared to provide trained mid-career military officers for service as UNMO. Participating officers will understand the relationship of national military training to the UN Standardized Training Module

2-3 (UNMO). Moreover, the recipient nation's peacekeeping training staff will better understand how to adapt UNMO training programs to meet changing operational requirements.

**Participants**

Military personnel in the rank of Captain to Lieutenant Colonel that will conduct UN Military Observer duties and train military observers. Emphasis should be to personnel who will be conducting UN Military Observer training or a peacekeeping training center then to UN Military Observers.

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