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Vacancy Details

Vacancy Code	2010/NAO/SOM/SO/FT/16-02
-Post Title	Security Officer
Post Level	P3 Fixed Term Appointment (ICS 10)
Position Status	Non-rotational
Project Title	#71226 Mine Action Programme – Somalia
Org Unit	UNOPS North America Office Mine Action Unit
Duty Station	Nairobi (frequent travel to Somalia)
Duration	12 Months (renewable - subject to funds availability and satisfactory performance)
Closing Date	16 February

Background

The Mine Action Programme in Somalia had been implemented by UNDP since 2002. The programme started in Somaliland (1992-1993, 1997-1998 and 1999-present), and Puntland (2003-2005), and has implemented capacity building projects, provided technical assistance for the national Somaliland and Puntland Mine Action centres and the Police Explosive Ordnance disposal teams. Mine Action operations in south central Somalia were launched in 2007 with the primary objective of establishing a national Mine Action Coordination Center to cover the remaining regions of south central Somalia.

The United Nations Mine Action Service programme for Somalia (UNMAS Somalia) has transitioned and will operate under the responsibility of the United Nations Mine Action Service (UNMAS), executed by UNOPS. In South Central, UNMAS Somalia will expand the activities in support of the African Union Mission in Somalia (AMISOM). In complement to the provision of capacity building and support for the AMISOM forces to undertake EOD (Explosive Ordnance) activities in Mogadishu to reduce the large amounts of ERW (Explosive Remnants of War) and stockpiles throughout the city, Police EOD teams will be deployed in Mogadishu in concert with

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an emergency MRE initiatives by UNMAS, UNICEF and UNHCR to reach the large numbers of returnees for provision of humanitarian assistance.

UNMAS Somalia has an office in Nairobi to provide managerial and support functions for the Regional Offices in Somalia.

Duties and Responsibilities

Reporting to the UNMAS Somalia Programme Manager and in close consultation with the Chief of Operations and Planning and the Regional Operations Officers, the incumbent is responsible for the following duties and responsibilities:

- Plan and advice on all security and safety matters related to the UNMAS Somalia day to day operations and wider UNMAS Somalia operations.
- Conduct field security and risk assessments in close coordination with UNDSS and UNMAS Somalia in support of mine action and explosive management related activities.
- Maintain and update the UNMAS Somalia Security SOPs and ensure staff and compounds are in compliance as per MOSS/MORSS.
- Report security matters directly to the Programme Manager.
- Prepare security situation reports as and when required.
- Attend Security Management Team (SMT) meetings and other working groups.
- Liaise with UNDSS and other Security Offices throughout Somalia as appropriate.
- Provide advice to all UNMAS Somalia staff on training courses and any other information required regarding security issues, preparedness, methodologies, approaches and practical arrangements.
- Chair Boards of Inquiry related to security incidents/accidents affecting UNMAS Somalia, and prepare the necessary reports as per the applicable UN/UNOPS procedures.
- Assist the national staff of the Operations Department in the absence of other international TAs to manage and coordinate all operational activities of the UNMAS Somalia.
- Establish and monitor security measures in the Mine Action office, Nairobi, communication room, providing training to national staff, developing communication system and procedures and coordinating emergency medical recovery of staff from Somalia.
- Act as the focal point for evidence tracing and tracking in Nairobi for the programme.
- Any other duties as assigned by the Programme Manager.

Required Selection Criteria

Competencies

- Self reliant and able to work independently under severe conditions.
- Strong judgment and decision making ability
- Ability to stay calm and continue to work under high pressure and possibly high risk environment
- Strong analytical ability and attention to details
- Proven team building and leadership skills.
- Strong planning and organizing skills.

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Educational Requirements:

- Advanced University degree in e.g. engineering, management, social science or related field is required, or senior staff qualification; or first level university degree or military/police College or junior command and staff course combined with relevant experience may be accepted in lieu of the advanced university degree.
- A minimum of **5** years of relevant experience in the sphere of international security management, law enforcement and or military experience in UN Missions, International Peacekeeping or International Emergency Missions, with preference for Policing / Law Enforcement. A minimum of **5** years operational mine action experience in a mine action programme or in military engineering is preferred.
- Experience in security planning with a National or International Organisation(s) is highly desirable and experience in dealing with law enforcement agencies is an added advantage.

Language:

Excellent spoken and written English is required. Knowledge of Somali and French are an asset.

Submission of Applications

Qualified candidates may submit their application, including a letter of interest, complete Curriculum Vitae and an updated United Nations Personal History Form (P.11) English Version or French Version, via e-mail to maujobs@unops.org. Kindly indicate the vacancy number and the post title in the subject line when applying by email.

Additional Considerations

- Applications received after the closing date will not be considered.
- Only those candidates that are short-listed for interviews will be notified.
- Qualified female candidates are strongly encouraged to apply.
- UNOPS reserves the right to appoint a candidate at a level below the advertised level of the post.

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