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CCCPA to train more Egyptian peacekeeping forces

On August 23, 2015, CCCPA will begin another United Nations Pre-deployment Training (PDT) for Egyptian peacekeeping forces. The troops will be joining the United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in the Central African Republic (MINUSCA). The training (from 23-26 August in Suez City, Egypt), is being held in close collaboration between CCCPA and the Egyptian Ministry of Defense in accordance with General Assembly resolution A/RES/49/37.

As conflicts became more complex, training is not only vital, but a pre-requisite for all peacekeeping personnel to function effectively. With Egypt being one of the top troop contributing countries to peacekeeping missions, efficient training of personnel will result in a more effective operation on the whole. ‘PDT refers to generic, specialized and, where appropriate, mission-specific peacekeeping training that is based on UN standards and takes place prior to deployment to a Department of Peacekeeping Operations (DPKO)-led mission. This training is delivered by Member States to military and police personnel/units in their home country.’

The curriculum is based on UN Peacekeeping PDT Standards and will cover topics such as UN peacekeeping operation principles; protection of civilians, the nature of conflict in the respective country; conflict analysis; international humanitarian law and human rights; the role of gender and women in peacekeeping, rules of engagement and civilian military cooperation.

The Security Council established the UN MINUSCA by its resolution 2149 (2104) of 10 April 2014 and requested the Secretary-General to subsume BINUCA in the new mission as of the date of the adoption of that resolution. It further requested the Secretary-General to ensure a seamless transition from BINUCA to MINUSCA.