



The [United Nations Department for Peacekeeping Operations](#) has launched "**Women and Peacekeeping**", a digital campaign to tie in with International Women's Day on March 8th and the annual Commission on the Status of Women (4-15 March).

As peacekeeping has evolved to encompass a broader humanitarian approach, women have become increasingly part of the peacekeeping family.

The campaign features new video, photo and infographics to highlight the role played by Women in Peacekeeping.

They are deployed in all areas – police, military and civilian – and have made a positive impact on peacekeeping environments, both in supporting the role of women in building peace and protecting women's rights.

In 1993, women made up 1% of deployed uniformed personnel. In 2012, out of approximately 125,000 peacekeepers, women constitute 3% of military personnel and 10% of police personnel in UN Peacekeeping missions. In all fields of peacekeeping, women peacekeepers have proven that they can perform the same roles, to the same standards and under the same difficult conditions, as their male counterparts. It is an operational imperative that we recruit and retain female peacekeepers.

**Additional links:**

- [UN Department for Peacekeeping Operations \(DPKO\)](#) 



- [UN Peacekeeping Gender and Peacekeeping website](#)
- [Where we work](#)
- [Women, peace and security](#)
- [Women in Peacekeeping](#)

**Infographic :** <http://bit.ly/ZMPipc>

**More links:**

- [Women's Day Collage](#)
- [Flickr album](#)