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FORCE COMMANDER VISITS HASTING CAMP

Freetown-Sierra Leone, The UNAMSIL Force Commander, Major General Sajjad Akram,

has stated that Pakistan Contingents in Sierra Leone have earned respectable name and

good reputation as peacekeepers under the banner of UN. He was addressing the Officers

and men of Pakistan Engineers-IV and Pakistan Logistic-IV at Hastings, east of the capital

Freetown.

Major General Sajjad Akram further stated that, Pakistan Contingents took the

responsibility of Peacekeeping in war-torn Sierra Leone in 1999 and restored peace and

tranquility in the length and breadth of the country without firing a single bullet.

The Force Commander advised all members of the contingent to enhance their

professional capabilities, adding, "Discipline and high morale are hallmarks of Pakistan

Contingents and you should not be compromised at any cost," he added.

While congratulating members of the contingent, he said that previous contingents had set

high standards of professional training and discipline for them to follow. "You all have

been selected on merit and professional competence which will tremendously help you to

contribute your efforts towards peace process", he maintained.

Earlier on arrival, he was received by outgoing Sector Commander, Brigadier Sajjad

Ahmed Bakhshi, and other officers of the camp which was fallowed by briefings by

Lieutenant Colonel Tariq Hussain Murridi, Commanding Officer, Pakistan Engineers – IV

and Lieutenant Colonel Amir Aman ,Commanding Officer, Pakistan Logistic –IV.

Lieutenant Colonel Tariq Hussain Murridi apprised the Force Commander about the various projects including projects related to road and bridge repair and maintenance of various buildings accomplished in Sierra Leone by Pakistan Engineers-IV.
