



THE UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA

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UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA, DURING THE UNITED
NATIONS PEACEKEEPING MINISTERIAL MEETING**

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**Honorable Federal Minister for Foreign Affairs of Germany,
Honorable Federal Minister of Defence,
Honorable Ministers, Excellencies,
Under-Secretary-Generals,
Distinguished Delegates,
Ladies and Gentlemen,**

On behalf of the Government of the United Republic of Tanzania, allow me to express our deep appreciation to the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany for hosting this vital Ministerial Meeting, and for the warm hospitality extended to all of us here in Berlin.

We are also grateful to the United Nations and co-hosts for convening this timely meeting. As we deliberate on the future of peacekeeping, The United Republic of Tanzania reaffirms its steadfast commitment to global peace and security.

Tanzania has a proud legacy of peacekeeping, grounded in principles of solidarity, multilateralism, and respect for human dignity. We remain committed to the ongoing reforms aimed at enhancing performance, accountability, and impact especially in the protection of civilians and upholding the zero-tolerance policy on sexual exploitation and abuse. Tanzania continues to take the necessary measures to ensure peacekeepers are well trained, equipped, and enabled to discharge their mandate effectively. May I also reiterate our commitment to the implementation of the UN initiative, and we welcome the Secretary General's list of capabilities for enhancing the effectiveness of UN peace operations. We recognize the critical role played by the Department of Peace Operations (DPO) and Operational Support (DOS).

In this spirit, Tanzania is pleased to announce the following renewed pledges under the Peacekeeping Capability Readiness System:

1. Deployment of one additional Infantry Battalion in support of UN Peacekeeping Missions.

2. Deployment of relevant senior personnel for leadership roles, as well as military and police staff officers and observers.
3. *Continued deployment of well trained and disciplined peacekeepers, and ensuring logistical readiness of our peacekeepers.*
4. Availing the Tanzanian Peacekeeping Training Centre to host international courses in partnership with the UN and member states.

In conclusion, we call upon partners to continue supporting capacity-building efforts, especially for Troop and Police Contributing Countries, to bridge operational gaps through mechanisms like the Light Coordination Mechanism.

Let us work together towards a more agile, responsive, and people-centered peacekeeping architecture fit for today's challenges and tomorrow's aspirations.

I thank you.