

Technical note on DDR and P/CVE

(a) Brief description of the project (Not more than three paragraphs in total)

The project aims at producing a technical note on the design, implementation, and support to DDR processes and programming conducted in contexts affected by violent extremism. The initiative will build on previous studies while taking stock of the operational challenges, security concerns and innovative approaches adopted by peacekeeping and special political missions (e.g. Mali and Somalia). Moreover, it will generate updated information on recent international instruments (e.g. UN Security Council Resolutions) and possible implications to DDR programming. It is expected that the study will contribute to the development of policy and technical guidance on DDR as it relates to preventing and countering violent extremism.

DDR represents a key mission component which contributes to security and stability, and helps create a conducive environment for political and peace processes. However, peacekeeping and political missions are increasingly deployed earlier in the peace process, during on-going conflict and without the top cover of a political agreement. These issues are further compounded by the presence of extremist groups, which may conduct terrorist attacks against government authorities, UN entities and the civilian population. Given the complexity of the scenarios where UN missions currently operate, the development of clear P/CVE guidance for DDR practitioners is essential. This project is in line with the UN peacekeeping operations high-level priorities for 2019/20, in particular with the recommendations of the 2017-18 independent strategic Mission reviews which call for peacekeeping operations to fit for purpose and operate at maximum effectiveness. The project will allow DDR practitioners to adapt DDR programming to today's challenging contexts. By expanding and consolidating knowledge on DDR and P/CVE, the technical note will contribute to the technical and operational backstopping support provided to UN missions by the DPKO DDR Section. Moreover, the note will serve as a key reference to DDR practitioners responsible for supporting the disengagement of members of extremist groups, preventing the recruitment of at-risk youth and implementing community-based projects. In particular, the note will disseminate information on measures adopted for the screening, rehabilitation and reintegration of disengaged fighters, thus contributing the sustainability of future interventions.

(b) Expected Outcomes, Outputs and Proposed Activities

Outcomes	Outputs	Proposed Activities
Improved DDR programming implemented in contexts affected by violent extremism	Technical note on DDR and C/PVE developed and disseminated across missions	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Conduct desk review of relevant DDR publications, internal C/PVE documents and recent international instrument (e.g. UNSC Resolutions).- Carry out interviews with DDRS desk officers and C/PVE experts at UNHQ (e.g. DPA, UNDP, CTED, UNOCT)- Conduct field research in Mali, Somalia and a non-mission setting (e.g. Nigeria) to collect primary information from a wide set of DDR and P/CVE stakeholders.- Compile information gathered from UNHQ and

		field actors, and brief DDRS on initial findings - Produce preliminary draft report and undertake revision - Support consultation process and finalize technical note. - Propose a dissemination strategy and conduct activities (briefings, brown bag meetings, VTCs with field officers).
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(c) Implementation Timeline

- Phase I (1 month): Desk review and initial interviews at UNHQ
 Phase II (2 months): Field missions and dissemination of initial findings
 Phase III (1 month): Report drafting, internal consultation (IAWG-DDR) and overall revision
 Phase IV (1 month): Validation and completion of technical note.
 Phase V (1 month): Dissemination at UNHQ and field levels

(d) How does this project relate to internal (DPKO and DFS) and external United Nations partners (ie. DPA, DM, etc)?

The technical note will be developed in consultation with C/PVE experts within DPKO, CTED and UNOCT. Once drafted, the preliminary report will be revised by the UN entities part of the 24-member Inter-Agency Working Group on DDR in order to validate its findings and recommendations.

(e) How gender aspects been included in the design and implementation of the project?

The technical note should contain specific recommendations on how gender analysis and gender mainstreaming can and should be integrated into DDR and P/CVE programming.

(f) Brief explanation of any risks that the implementation of the project may face and how to mitigate them.

Field research will depend on the logistical support provided by DDR teams. This also entails facilitating the identification of key C/PVE counterparts and arranging the meetings. Without this support, the information gathering could be compromised. To avoid this scenario, DDRS will ensure missions buy-in before project implementation.

(g) Proposed Budget

Item	Brief Description	Total Amount
Consultant	6 months @ 10,000	60,000
Travel costs	1 week Somalia, 1 week Mali 1 week Nigeria (pending confirmation)	30,000
Publication	Printing and dissemination	10,000
Programme Support Costs (13%) ¹		13,000
		Total: 113,000
