

CCOPAB

Centro Conjunto de Operações de Paz do Brasil SERGIO VIEIRA DE MELLO



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1. From November [24 to 26, 2015](#), the United Nations Department of Safety and Security (UNDSS), together with the Brazilian Peace Operations Joint Training Center (CCOPAB, acronym in Portuguese), carried out the UN Course on Safe and Secure Approaches in Field Environments (SSAFE) in the facilities of Itamaraty Palace and of CCOPAB. The aim of the course is to enable civilians of the United Nations to carry out field works taking safety and security into account.



2. [On January 15](#), there was the Command Handover Ceremony at Brazilian Peace Operations Joint Training Center (CCOPAB, acronym in Portuguese). Colonel Jose Ricardo Vendramin Nunes handed over the command of CCOPAB to Coronel Carlos Augusto Ramires Teixeira. The ceremony was headed by Lieutenant General Luiz Eduardo Ramos Pereira, Commander of the 1st Army Division.



3. From [February 1 to 5](#), CCOPAB carried out the Unit Commanders and Joint Staff Course (EPCOEM, acronym in Portuguese) in its facilities. The course is directed to the officers who will be part of the next staff of the

Brazilian Battalion, Engineering Company and Marines Company, all in Haiti. During the previous week, CCOPAB had already taken part in the [Meeting for the Command and Joint Staff of the 24th Brazilian Contingent \(CONBRAS\)](#) by lecturing on the UN Core Pre-Deployment Training Material (CPTM).



4. On [February 01](#), there was the beginning of the UN Staff Officers Course (EPMP, acronym in Portuguese). The course, which lasted a week, had 07 students, among whom, the [first female officer](#) to be deployed as a Gender and Children Protection Officer in the United Nations Mission in Liberia (UNMIL). Throughout the week, the students had different instructions related to the functioning and organization of UN Peace Operations and to how to work with military personnel from other nations.



5. From [February 15 to 26](#), CCOPAB carried out the Subunit Commanders and Platoon Leaders Course (EPCOSUPEL, acronym in Portuguese) in order to prepare the 24th Brazilian Contingent to be deployed to the United Nations Stabilization Mission in Haiti. The participants learned about Peace Operations, mainly focusing on the United Nations Stabilization Mission in Haiti (MINUSTAH). They practiced first-aid, learned about International Law, trained in the shooting simulator and in field exercises, handled non-lethal weapons and practiced combat



techniques for urban environments.

6. MINUSTAH News

(source: UN News Centre and Ministry of Defense)

- [December 04](#) – Activation of the 23rd Brazilian Contingent.
- [January 05](#) – Ban Ki-moon calls for delayed elections to be resolved as soon as possible.
- [February 15](#) – UN welcomes election of provisional President.

7. UNIFIL News

(source: Ministry of Defense)

- [February 26](#) – The Frigate *Independência* takes over its function in the UNIFIL Maritime Task Force.

Activities carried out in this period

- Pedagogical Course (ESTAP) - 18 to 22 January;
- Unit Commanders and Joint Staff Course (EPCOEM) - 01 to 05 February;
- UN Experts on Mission (EPMP) - 01 to 05 February;
- Subunit Commanders and Platoon Leaders Course (EPCOSUPEL) - 15 to 26 February;
- Military Translators and Interpreters Course (ETIMIL)/online phase - 22 February to 18 March; and
- Course on Logistics and Reimbursement in PKOs - 29 February to 11 March.

Agenda for March, April and May

- Military Translators and Interpreters Course (ETIMIL)/online phase - 22 February to 18 March;
- Course on Logistics and Reimbursement in PKOs - 29 February to 11 March;
- Civil-Military Coordination Course- 14 to 18 March;
- UN Experts on Mission (EPMP)/online phase - 21 March to 08 April;
- Military Translators and Interpreters Course (ETIMIL)/on-site phase - 21 to 24 March;
- Supporting Humanitarian Action in Responding to Emergencies and Disasters Course - 29 to 31 March;
- UN Pre-Deployment Advanced Field Exercise/Infantry Module - 18 to 29 April;
- UN Pre-Deployment Advanced Field Exercise/Engineering Module - 02 to 06 May;
- UN Experts on Mission (EPMP)/on-site phase - 09 May to 03 June;
- Commander and Staff Course for the Maritime Task Force - 23 to 27 May.

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