

1.3 Previous UN Field Operations With Human Rights Operations¹ Or Components

- El Salvador, ONUSAL
- Cambodia, UNTAC
- Haiti MICIVIH
- Guatemala MINUGUA
- Rwanda HRFOR
- ex-Yugoslavia: Special Rapporteur, Tribunal, Dayton Accords, ...
- & possibly: Mozambique (ONUMOZ), Western Sahara (MINURSO), Angola (UNAVEM III), Iraq (UNIKOM), Liberia (UNOMIL), South Africa (UNOMSA), Namibia (UNTAG) Somalia (UNOSOM, UNITAF)

1.4 Operation Mandates and Rules of Engagement

- the inherent human rights component of UN operational mandates based on UN standards and doctrine codified in the Charter and key UN instruments, eg. the International Bill of Rights
- explicit or tacit inclusion of human rights objectives into operation mandates and ROEs
- the tension between military, political, humanitarian, and human rights objectives

PART 2 HUMAN RIGHTS FIELD PARTNERS and THEIR COORDINATION

2.1 Human Rights Field Partners

This part will detail why any particular component or individual in a UN field operation has a human rights role, and generally what that role should be. The recurring theme is that even with a UN human rights operation in place, other UN field components retain a major responsibility and provide a major resource for the HRO. This overview will also inform participants as to the role of others and how they fit together. The particular partners covered will include:

- UN human rights operation (see footnote 1)
- High Commissioner for Human Rights and Centre for Human Rights
- other UN human rights experts (rapporteurs, tribunals, commissions of experts, etc.)
- human rights NGOs and the ICRC
- CIVPOL
- military
- humanitarian aid agencies
- media
- local partners, including government, NGOs, civil society

¹ A Human Rights Operation (HRO) can stand alone, or part of a larger UN field operation, eg. a peace-keeping operation. There have been 5 to date: El Salvador, Cambodia, Haiti, Rwanda, Guatemala. In El Salvador, Haiti, and Guatemala, the HRO was the vanguard of a larger and more comprehensive UN presence. In Cambodia it was an integral part of UNTAC from the beginning. In Rwanda, HRFOR was a stand alone operation albeit along side UNAMIR.