

IV FUNCTIONS OF THE PROPOSED UN CONSTABULARY

Once deployed in the field, the proposed UN Constabulary would assume the following functions:

- (i) **Safe Havens.** Once the UN Constabulary has intervened to halt alleged criminal behavior, some outside force will need to occupy the territory where the behavior occurred, often for quite some time. We recommend that the occupation policy be guided by the doctrine of assertive safe havens.⁴ Specifically, the UN Constabulary and auxiliary or successor forces in such instances would have an "assertive" mandate and power of enforcement. They would be authorized to:
 - demilitarize the area surrounding each Safe Haven, placing heavy weapons under effective supervision
 - disarm the populations in the areas designated as Safe Havens
 - seek out and lead to safety those individuals outside the protected area who are targets of the criminal behavior and who desire entry into a Safe Haven
 - use appropriate force to defend itself and its charges, and to carry out its mandate.
- (ii) **Apprehend alleged criminals complying with appropriate legal procedures and assist in gathering evidence for prosecution.** As soon as it is in the field, the force would be empowered to arrest and incarcerate alleged perpetrators of acts punishable under the definitions of genocide and crimes against humanity in the Statute of the International Criminal Court. It would also assist prosecutors in gathering evidence and identifying and protecting witnesses.
- (iii) **Arrange for the presence of humanitarian relief agencies.** Both United Nations and voluntary citizens groups (such as the Red Cross, church and medical groups) will generally need to be brought in. These agencies would initially take over basic needs functions and initiate civil society processes of health and housing. The police presence would make this possible.
- (iv) **Initiate processes of competent, humane governance.** As a corollary to halting criminal behavior, U.N. representatives will have to assume a central role in initiating governance processes amongst the local population, and ensuring that these processes are competent, just and humane. These efforts at initiating humane local governance should utilize a wide variety of individuals and techniques. Again, the police presence would make this possible.