

## **Terms of reference for disarmament technical adviser**

### **Responsibilities**

The technical adviser to the disarmament programme is responsible to the programme manager for the following:

- the provision of independent technical advice on weapons, ammunition and explosives;
- the assessment of the quality and condition of recovered weapons, ammunition and explosives;
- the establishment of the render safe procedures for unstable ammunition and explosives, where there is an immediate and direct risk to the civil population or the DDR operations team;
- the development of written procedures and advice to ensure that the UN mission, government organizations and the civilian population store any recovered weapons, ammunition and explosives as safely as is technically possible;
- the development of written procedures and advice to ensure that the UN mission, government organizations and the civilian population transport recovered weapons, ammunition and explosives as safely as is technically possible;
- acting as the security liaison officer for the DDR team (if appropriate);
- continuing the development of any supporting computer-based statistical collection, reporting and analysis systems;
- the development of plans that cover the following:
  - team security;
  - the security of recovered weapons, ammunition and explosives;
  - the security of information;
  - the provision of technical intelligence to the disarmament team in order that informed management decisions may be taken.

### **TA qualifications and experience**

A suitable candidate for the position of TA requires specific experience and qualifications, which are listed below. The appointment would particularly suit ex-military personnel qualified in explosive ordnance disposal (EOD), explosive engineering and ammunition technology, although other candidates with the necessary operational experience and qualifications would be considered.

#### ***EOD operational experience***

The candidate must have had extensive operational EOD experience in order to have credibility with the local national authority.

#### ***Other requirements***

The candidate should have had extensive formal training, and be qualified and experienced in the following:

- ammunition storage (field and depot);
- ammunition inspection and repair;
- ammunition maintenance;
- unit ammunition inspections.