

# UNITED NATIONS MISSION IN LIBERIA FACTSHEET



## BASIC INFORMATION:

In Liberia since September 2003 with headquarters in Monrovia.

Seventeen (17) UN funds and programmes are represented in Liberia, which operate together as the UN Country Team.

## MISSION HIGHLIGHTS:

The United Nations Mission in Liberia (UNMIL) is a multidimensional peacekeeping operation comprising military, police and civilian personnel. UNMIL was deployed in October 2003 in accordance with Security Council resolution 1509 (2003) after the signing of the August 2003 Comprehensive Peace Agreement.



Map of Liberia

## UNMIL MANDATE

The current mandate of UNMIL consists of four main tasks:

- \* Protect, without prejudice to the primary responsibility of the Liberian authorities, the civilian population from threat of physical violence, within its capabilities and areas of deployment;
- \* Support reform of justice and security institutions by assisting the Government of Liberia in implementing its national strategy on Security Sector Reform (SSR) and advising on SSR and the organization of the Liberia National Police (LNP), Bureau of Immigration and Naturalization (BIN) and the justice and corrections sector;
- \* Carry out promotion, protection and monitoring activities of human rights in Liberia, with special attention to violations and abuses committed against children and women;
- \* Protect the United Nations personnel, installations and equipment and ensure the security and freedom of movement of United Nations and associated personnel.

## UNMIL TRANSITION:

UNMIL handed over full security responsibilities to the Government of Liberia on 30 June 2016 as part of a phased drawdown of troops.

As of 1 July 2016, in accordance with Security Council Resolution 2239 (2015), UNMIL's authorized military strength is at 1,240 military personnel and 606 police.

## UNMIL'S SENIOR LEADERSHIP:

Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Liberia and Head of UNMIL,

**Mr. Farid Zarif**

DSRSG for Peace Consolidation and Support,

**Mr. Yacoub El Hillo**

DSRSG Political and Rule of Law,

**Mr. Waldemar Vrey**

Force Commander,

**Major General Salihu Zaway Uba**

Chief of Staff,

**Ms. Bibi Eng**

Police Commissioner,

**Mr. Simon Blatchly**

Director of Mission Support,

**Mr. David John Penklis**