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### Special Seminar on Remaining Challenges and Required Actions

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## **Empower Women Build Peace Peace Is Best Kept Together**









#### Women, Peace and Security

War, violent conflict, terrorism and violent extremism have differential and devastating consequences for women and girls. In the face of this, women all over the world are leading movements for peace and to rebuild communities, and there is strong evidence suggesting that women's participation in peace processes contributes to longer, more resilient peace after conflict. Yet, despite this, women remain largely invisible to, and excluded from, peace processes and negotiations.

In 2000, the UN Security Council therefore adopted resolution 1325, linking gender equality to the maintenance of international peace and security. Almost two decades and nine additional resolutions later, women, peace, and security has become one of the main thematic pillars of the Security Council's work. While the protection and empowerment of women in conflict-affected countries is a global agenda that predates resolution 1325 and extends beyond the workings of the Security Council, it is in this body where women, peace, and security got its name, its normative framework, and its main stage.

UN Women supports women's full and equal representation and participation in all levels of peace processes and security efforts. UN Women's work on women, peace, and security is guided by 10 UN Security Council resolutions—1325, 1820, 1888, 1889, 1960, 2106, 2122, 2242, 2467, and 2493—and is bolstered by a number of related normative frameworks, which make up the broader women, peace, and security (WPS) agenda.

UN Women leads on implementing the WPS agenda through research initiatives, data collection, learning exchanges, and documentation of good practices to inform policy and programming. Our resources and publications provide knowledge and guidance for ensuring women's participation and inclusion in all aspects of peace processes.

"The United Nations is committed to working with countries to drive progress on women, peace and security. Our operations are supporting women, highlighting their vital work, and amplifying their voices. The Women's Peace and Humanitarian Fund of the United Nations has supported more than 1,000 local women's organizations since it was established in 2016. And we've made progress towards gender balance within peacekeeping missions. But overall, when it comes to women peace and security, the world must urgently bridge the gap between rhetoric and reality."

- UN Secretary-General António Guterres' remarks to the Security Council annual open debate on women, peace and security, in New York, on 25 October 2023.







#### Context of the Forum

As peacekeeping has evolved to reflect the populations we serve, women have become increasingly part of the peacekeeping family - making operations more effective. In all fields of peacekeeping, women peacekeepers have proven that they can perform the same roles, to the same standards and under the same difficult conditions, as their male counterparts. It is an operational imperative that we recruit and retain women peacekeepers. In 2020, out of approximately 95,000 peacekeepers, women constituted 4.8% of military contingents and 10.9% of formed police units and 34% of justice and corrections government-provided personnel in UN Peacekeeping missions.

While the UN encourages and advocates for the deployment of women to uniformed functions, the responsibility for the deployment of women in the police and military lies with Member States. The Secretary-General attaches the greatest importance to increasing the participation of military women in UN Peace Operations. This builds on the work established by the mandates of UNSC Resolution 1325 on Women, Peace and Security and successive resolutions, recognising the importance of women's participation in UN peace operations in both uniformed and civilian capacities.

In this context, the inaugural Korea Forum on Women's Empowerment in Peacekeeping took place on 22 September 2023, which was the last day of the Women's Military Peace Operations Course (WMPOC), co-hosted by the Ministry of National Defense (MND) and the UN Women Centre of Excellence in the Republic of Korea on 4-22 September. (WMPOC is an initiative of UN Women, supported by Member States and the Integrated Training Service of the UN Department of Peace Operations.)

In 2024, UN Women Centre of Excellence for Gender Equality has partnered with ROK MND and Peace Keeping Operations Centre to deliver the newly launched 'Uniformed Women Peacekeepers Training' Programme (UWPT), which consists of two components:

- (1) UN Staff Officers Course (UNSOC) for selected women military officers from the Asia-Pacific region on 7-18 October; and
- (2) Leadership and Empowerment Workshop on 21-22 October in Seoul, which is designed to enhance women officers' leadership skills and operational effectiveness.

The Second Korea Peacekeeping Forum for Women's Empowerment takes place as a finale of UWPT in 2024. Distinguished speakers in this year's Forum will draw from their extensive field experiences in UN peace operations and share critical insights on the following aspects of the topic: 1) ways to better integrate WPS perspectives for operational successes of peacekeeping and military operations; 2) remaining challenges women peacekeepers still face in the field; and 3) actions required to create enabling environment for more women peacekeepers to thrive, advance, and contribute in peace operations and armed forces.

The Forum is organized by the UN Women Centre of Excellence for Gender Equality, in partnership with the Ministry of National Defense and the Ministry of Gender Equality and Family of the Republic of Korea.



#### Programme

9:30~10:00	Registration & Networking Coffee 등록 및 네트워킹		
10:00~10:10	Opening Remarks 개회사	Jeongshim Lee 이정심	Director, UN Women Centre of Excellence for Gender Equality 유엔여성기구 성평등센터 소장
	Welcoming Remarks 환영사	Lee, Seung-buhm 이승범	Director-General for International Policy, Ministry of National Defense of the Republic of Korea 대한민국 국방부 국제정책관
	Congratulatory Remarks 축사	Lieutenant General Lim, Ki Hoon 중장 임기훈	President of Korea National Defense University (KNDU) 국방대학교 총장
10:10~10:20	Videos & Group Photos 영상 & 단체 사진		
10:20~10:40	Special Lecture #1 "WPS and Gender Equality: A Mission for All" 특별 강연 #1 "WPS와 성평등: 모두를 위한 임무"	Commander Tyson Nicholas 중령 타이슨 니콜라스	Military Advisor, UN Women HQ, New York 유엔여성기구 뉴욕 본부 전략 군사 자문관
10:40~11:00	Special Lecture #2 "The Battlefield and Beyond: Challenging Gender Power Dynamics in Peace Operations and Armed Forces" 특별 강연 #2 "전장 그리고 그 너머: 평화 작전과 군대 내 젠더 권력 역학에 도전하기"	Jen Wittwer, CSM, Commander RAN (Ret.) (예)중령, CSM, 젠 위트워	Renowned WPS Expert & Instructor of the Women's Peace Operations Course (WMPOC) of UN Women-DPO WPS 전문가 & 유엔여성기구- 유엔평화활동국 여군평화작전과정 (WMPOC) 교관
11:00~11:20	Special Lecture #3  "Voice from the Field: Breaking Barriers for Women in Peacekeeping" 특별 강연 #3  "현장의 목소리: 여성 평화유지군을 위한 장벽 허물기"	Lieutenant Colonel (S) Yi Sungyeon 중령(진) 이성연	Liaison Officer with the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force (UNDOF) in the Golan Heights 골란고원임무단(UNDOF) 연락 장교
11:20~11:55	Moderated Discussion with Speakers 토론	Moderator: Ahjung Lee 좌장: 이아정	External Relations Specialist, UN Women Centre of Excellence for Gender Equality 유엔여성기구 성평등센터 대외협력 프로그램 팀장
11:55~12:00	Closing 폐회		
12:00~13:30	Networking & Lunch Reception 네트워킹 오찬		







Jeongshim Lee | Director, UN Women Centre of Excellence for Gender Equality 이정심 | 유엔여성기구 성평등센터 소장

Jeongshim brings to the role over three decades of experience in developing innovative gender equality policies that empower women and girls. She has worked for ministerial-level national machineries as well as the Office of the President (2008-2010), most recently as the Deputy Minister at the Ministry of Gender Equality and Family. Jeongshim also served as Senior Advisor

for intergovernmental support and focal point for women and girls with disabilities at UN Women headquarters from 2012 to 2015. She holds a Doctor of Philosophy in Public Administration from the Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs, Syracuse University, a Master of Public Administration from the John F. Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University, a Master of Public Policy from Kyung Hee University, and a Bachelor of Arts in English Literature from Sungkyunkwan University in the Republic of Korea.

이정심 소장은 30년 동안 여성의 역량을 강화하는 성평등 정책의 혁신적인 접근법을 제공하는 데 기여했습니다. 이정심 소장은 대한민국의 여성, 청소년, 가족과 관련된 정책을 담당하는 대통령실(2008-2010)과 여성가족부에서 근무했으며, 가장 최근에는 여성가족부 청소년가족정책실장을 역임했습니다. 이정심 소장은 또한 2012년부터 2015년까지 유엔여성기구 본부에서 정부 간 지원 및 장애 여성과 여아를 아우르는 정책을 담당하는 선임 자문관을 역임했습니다. 이정심 소장은 특히 여성의 경제적 역량 강화, 여성과 여아에 대한 폭력 근절, 일과 삶의 균형 촉진 등과 관련된 전문적인 지식과 경험을 소유하고 있습니다. 이정심 소장은 Syracuse University의 Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs에서 행정학 박사, Harvard University의 John F. Kennedy School of Government에서 행정학 석사, 경희대학교에서 공공정책학 석사, 성균관대학교에서 영문학 학사를 취득했습니다.



**Lee, Seung-buhm** | Director-General for International Policy, Ministry of National Defense of the Republic of Korea 이승범 | 대한민국 국방부 국제정책관

Lee, Seung-buhm served as the First Secretary for Political Affairs at the Korean Embassy in the United States, a position he held from 2014 to 2016. Following his tenure with the Embassy, Lee served as the Director of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs' Personnel Management Team from

2016 to 2017 and the ROK-US Security Cooperation Division from 2017 to 2018. In 2018, Lee took on another overseas assignment, serving as the Consul for Political Affairs at the Korean Consulate-General in Honolulu, Hawaii, USA. After this post, Lee, Seung-buhm continued his career with the ROK Ministry of National Defense, where he served as the Director-General for Foreign Affairs Cooperation from 2022 to 2023. Currently, Lee holds the position of Director-General for International Policy at the Ministry of National Defense. Lee, Seung-buhm is a graduate of Yonsei University and Washington State University, where he earned a BA in Political Science and Diplomacy and an MA in International Relations, respectively.

이승범 국방부 국제정책관은 1998년 대한민국 외교부에 입직하여 외교관으로서 미국, 캐나다, 인도네시아 및 아프가니스탄 등 다양한 국가에서 근무했습니다. 또한 외교부 북미국 한미안보협력과장 및 駐호놀룰루대사관 정무담당 영사 등의 주요 직책을 역임하였습니다. '22년 9월에는 대한민국 국방부 외무협력관에 보직되었으며, '23년 2월부터 現 국방부 국제정책관으로 근무하고 있습니다. 학력사항으로는 연세대학교 정치외교학과 학사 학위와 시애틀 워싱턴 주립대학교 국제관계학 석사 학위가 있습니다.





**Lieutenant General Lim, Ki Hoon** | President of Korea National Defense University 중장 임기훈 | 국방대학교 총장

Lieutenant General Lim, Ki Hoon graduated Korea Military Academy in 1991 and was commissioned as a 2nd lieutenant in the Army. President Lim is an expert on national defense policy and was inaugurated as the 50th President of Korea National Defense University as of November 9th, 2023, after holding various positions including Director of Policy Planning

Branch at the Ministry of National Defense(MND), Deputy Chief of Combat Development at ROK Army Training and Doctrine Command, Deputy of Policy Planning Bureau at the MND, and Secretary to the President for National Defense at National Security Office. President Lim's oversea deployment experience includes UN PKO in East Timor and MNF in Iraq. President Lim earned M.A. in Political Science at State University of New York at Binghamton, United States and Ph.D. in Political Science at Kyungnam University Graduate School, Korea. He also studied at the Joint Forces Staff College, United States and completed certificate courses on KNDU Future Security Academy, Advanced Leaders Program For National Future Security & Strategy and KAIST AI Business Transformation Program.

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Tyson Nicholas is currently seconded by the Australian Defence Force to the position of Strategic Military Advisor, UN Women, New York. He has also previously undertaken a two-year secondment to the UN Department of Peace Operations, New York, and deployed as a peacekeeper to the UN Mission in South Sudan (UNMISS).

In his 25-year military career, Tyson has served in leadership and staff positions in Australian Clearance Diving Team One, the Australian Amphibious Force, HMA Ships Anzac (FFH-150), Ballarat (FFH-155) and Manoora (L-52), Fleet Headquarters, and the Centre for Defence Leadership and Ethics at the Australian Defence College.

His operational experience includes counter violent extremism and counter terrorism operations in the Middle East Region. combat operations with Australian, NATO, and U.S. forces in Afghanistan, peacekeeping with UNMISS, humanitarian assistance and disaster relief operations in the South Pacific, and constabulary operations at sea in the Indo Pacific.

Tyson is a graduate of the Royal Australian Naval College, the Australian Defence Force Academy, and a distinguished graduate of the Australian Command and Staff Course at the Australian War College. His academic credentials include the degrees of Master of Laws in International Human Rights Law from Lund University (Sweden), Master of International Business from the University of Canberra (Australia), Graduate Certificate of Military and Defence Studies from Deakin University (Australia), Bachelor of Laws from the Queensland University of Technology (Australia), Bachelor of Arts in History from the University of New South Wales (Australia), and membership of the Golden Key International Honour Society.

Outside of his military career, Tyson is currently undertaking part-time external research towards a PhD in Public International Law at the Queensland University of Technology (Australia) and is an Adjunct Lecturer at the Faculty of Law, Lund University (Sweden). In addition to English, Tyson speaks fluent Swedish and conversational Norwegian.

타이슨 니콜라스 중령은 현재 호주 국방군에서 유엔여성기구(UN Women) 뉴욕 본부로 파견되어 전략 군사 자문관 임무를 수행하고 있습니다. 유엔여성기구 고위급 인사들에게 자문을 제공하며, 성 인지적 평화유지, 안보 부문 개혁, 군비 축소 및 소형 무기 이슈, 성 착취 및 학대 예방 및 대응 등과 관련한 사항들을 총괄하고 있습니다. 또한 무관으로서 외교와 국제교류 활동에서 유엔여성기구를 대표하고 있습니다. 25년간의 군 생활 동안 다양한 제대의 지휘관과 참모직을 수행했고, 중동 내 폭력적 극단주의 대응 작전, 아프가니스탄에서 호주군, NATO, 미군과 전투 작전에 참여했으며, 남수단에서 유엔평화유지 임무, 남태평양에서 인도적 지원 및 재난 구호 작전, 인도-태평양 지역에서의 해상 치안 작전을 수행한 바 있습니다.





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Jen Wittwer, CSM, is an international consultant, author and speaker on gender equality, gender mainstreaming and the global Women, Peace and Security (WPS) agenda. She has over forty years'

experience in leading people through organisational change, large-scale cultural and workplace reform. Over the past fifteen years Jen has developed and implemented workplace behaviour education programs, women's leadership, mentoring and network programs and strategies, and advised senior military leadership on women's representation and participation, and gender equality and diversity policies and initiatives.

From 2012, Jen led the implementation of the WPS agenda within the Australian Defence Force (ADF) and the broader defence and security sector. She has participated in various international forums and projects relating to WPS and women's representation in armed forces, and she deployed as the first ADF Gender Adviser to North Atlantic Treaty Organisation operations in Afghanistan in 2013. On her return, Jen was appointed to implement the Australian Government National Action Plan on WPS. In her last ADF role from 2016, Jen was seconded to UN Women in New York as a policy specialist on peacekeeping, security sector reform and sexual exploitation and abuse. Jen continues to work in a reserve capacity for the ADF; from 2019-2021, she authored the annual Women in the ADF Report, and in 2022, was attached to the Australian Defence College as a gender adviser.

Since 2018, Jen has independently consulted to UN Women Ukraine to develop a training framework on gender and WPS, to UN Women Jordan to build capacity for gender mainstreaming in the security sector, and to UN Women in New York on the development and delivery of a leadership, empowerment, and networking module for the inaugural global Women's Military Peace Operations Course. In 2022, Jen was appointed as a Lead Associate with Gender Associations International Consulting, participating in a review of the Female Military Officers Course for UN Women In New York.

Jen has been recognised with a number of national awards; the 2010 Australian Centre for Leadership for Women Advancement of Women in the Workplace Award (Bronze), a finalist in the 2011 Telstra Business Women's Awards, a Conspicuous Service Medal in the 2013 Queen's Birthday Honours List, a finalist in the 2014 and 2018 AFR 100 Women of Influence, and acknowledged in the 2016, 2017 and 2018 editions of Who's Who of Australian Women. In 2018, Jen was named the Canberra Women in Business Mentor of the Year and in 2019, she was a finalist in the Australian Defence Magazine Women in Defence Awards, and silver award for YFactor Most Inspirational Y. She has also been awarded the NATO Afghanistan Medal, Australian Active Service Medal with Clasp ICAT, Afghanistan Medal, Defence Long Service Medal with Federation Star, Australian Defence Medal, UN Medal with Numeral 2, and Returned from Active Service badge. Jen has written extensively on gender equality, and women's roles in peace and security efforts. Her work has been featured in the Australian Strategic Policy Institute 'The Strategist', the US-based 'The Strategy Bridge', US Naval War College 'Proceedings', the Australian Defence Force Journal, Women's Agenda, the Australian Army's 'The Cove', 'PropelHer', and various professional journals and blogs. In 2018, Jen was published in the inaugural international Oxford Handbook on WPS. In 2020, her first book, Against the Wind: How women can be their authentic selves in male-dominated professions, was published. Since 2019, Jen has authored courses on gender equality in peacekeeping and WPS for the Peace Operations Training Institute in the United States, and in 2022, she co-authored Monash University's 'Global Review on the Development of Military Gender Adviser Capabilities.'

Jen is currently enrolled as a PhD candidate at Monash University. She has a Master of International Development from Canberra University, for which she received the Faculty of Arts and Design Best Graduating Postgraduate Student prize in 2022, and the Dean's Excellence Award in 2021 and 2022. She also has Graduate Diplomas in Strategic Leadership and Resource Management, and Graduate Certificates in Management Studies, Administration, and Gender, Peace, and Security. From 2019-2022, Jen was a Non-Executive Director on the board of the International Women's Development Agency, and from 2021-23, on the board of Women Veterans Australia. She is also a Research Fellow at Monash Global Peace and Security Centre and a Credentialed Practitioner of Coaching.

젠 위트워 중령은 호주군 평시 최고 수위의 공로훈장(CSM)을 수여 받았으며, 안보 분야 조직들에서 성 주류화를 위한 국제 컨설턴트로 활동하고 있습니다. 그녀는 2013년 NATO의 아프가니스탄 작전에 참여한 최초의 호주군 젠더 자문관이었습니다. 2013년부터 2016년까지 호주군에서 여성, 평화, 안보에 관한 국가 행동 계획을 주도했으며, 뉴욕 유엔 여성기구의 초대 현역 군 자문관으로 2018년까지 근무했습니다. 이후 유엔 여성기구와 함께 우크라이나, 요르단, 뉴욕 등에서 활동했고, 미국 평화작전교육연구소에서도 일하였으며, Gender Associations International Consulting의 선임 컨설턴트로 활동하고 있습니다. 2018년 국제적으로 저명한 옥스퍼드 핸드북에 여성, 평화, 안보에 대한 논문을 발표했으며, 국제 개발학 석사 학위를 보유하고 있고 현재 모나쉬대학의 성 평화 안보 센터에서 박사 과정을 밟고 있습니다.





**Lieutenant Colonel (S) Yi Sungyeon** | Liaison Officer with the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force (UNDOF) in the Golan Heights 중령(진) 이성연 | 골란고원임무단(UNDOF) 연락 장교

Yi Sungyeon has been serving as a Military Liaison Officer in the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force (UNDOF) since November 2023, following the conflict between Israel and Hamas.

She began her military career by joining the Officer's Candidate Course in 2006 and was commissioned as a 2nd Lieutenant in the Republic of Korea (ROK) Army.

Throughout her career, Yi has held a variety of roles, beginning as an Intelligence Analyst in the Capital Mechanized Division and later serving as a Platoon Leader within the same division. Her expertise spans various levels of military units, from tactical to strategic, including her contributions to the Combined Forces Command. She has also served as a Liaison Officer for the ROK Joint Chiefs of Staff, supporting the observation of the ceasefire agreement on the Korean Peninsula. Yi has completed extensive military education, including the Officer's Basic Courses in Infantry and Intelligence and the Captain's Career Course in Intelligence. She further specialized in psychological operations at the U.S. Special Warfare School. After her promotion to Major, she graduated from the Joint Chiefs of Staff School. In addition to her military training, she holds a bachelor's degree in law and politics, a master's degree in international studies, with a thesis on Peacekeeping Intelligence, and is currently pursuing a Doctorate in International Studies, focusing on a quantitative study of the factors affecting women's participation in PKO.

With five overseas deployments, Yi has significant experience in peacekeeping operations. Her roles have included service in the ROK Battalion of UNIFIL, as an Observer and Staff Officer with UNMOGIP, and as an Analyst with the Sector Command of UNIFIL. Before her current role in UNDOF, she served as the S2 Chief for ROK HMEC of UNMISS. She has also participated in numerous courses and exercises related to peacekeeping, including the Gender Advisor Course in Uganda, the ADMM-Plus Peacekeeping Exercise, the UN Military Observer Course in Germany, and the GPOI Gender Planning Course in Malaysia.

In recognition of her continuous dedication to the peacekeeping efforts of the Republic of Korea, Yi was recently selected for promotion to Lieutenant Colonel. She remains deeply committed to advancing the Women, Peace, and Security (WPS) agenda, with a particular focus on gender dynamics in conflict and the Middle East region.

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