

UN VOLUNTEER DESCRIPTION OF ASSIGNMENT

MLIR000561--Judicial Affairs Officer

The United Nations Volunteers (UNV) programme is the UN organization that promotes volunteerism to support peace and development worldwide. Volunteerism can transform the pace and nature of development and it benefits both society at large and the individual volunteer. UNV contributes to peace and development by advocating for volunteerism globally, encouraging partners to integrate volunteerism into development programming, and mobilizing volunteers. In most cultures volunteerism is deeply embedded in long-established, ancient traditions of sharing and support within the communities. In this context, UN Volunteers take part in various forms of volunteerism and play a role in development and peace together with co-workers, host agencies and local communities. In all assignments, UN Volunteers promote volunteerism through their action and conduct. Engaging in volunteer activity can effectively and positively enrich their understanding of local and social realities, as well as create a bridge between themselves and the people in their host community. This will make the time they spend as UN Volunteers even more rewarding and productive.

General Information

Country of Assignment	Mali
Host Institute	United Nations Development Programme
Volunteer Category	International Specialist
Number of Volunteer	1
Duration	24 Months
Expected Starting Date	04-12-2017
Duty Station	Bamako
Assignment Place	Non-Family Duty station
Assignment Place Remark	

Living Conditions

Bamako is a non-family duty station with a difficult security and working environment. Mali is a non-family duty station. Living conditions are acceptable in Bamako, but security instructions need to be strictly complied with. Adequate housing is available for rent at US\$ 500-1500 per month. The national currency is the Franc CFA (February 2013 exchange rate was 1 US\$ = 490 FCFA). Visa credit cards are accepted in some hotels and larger shops. Mali is a country prone to malaria, so mosquito nets are highly recommended. Basic medicines are available from pharmacies, but provision needs to be made for specialized medication.

Security recommendations from the UN Department of Safety and Security (UNDSS) must be followed by all UN Staff in the course of their assignments in Mali.

For the sake of rewarding experience, UN volunteers in UNDP carry out their duties with flexibility, commitment, and a willingness to live and work in challenging conditions including heat and limited water and electricity supply.

Assignment Details

Assignment Title Judicial Affairs Officer

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Organizational Context & Project Description

In close collaboration with MINUSMA and national authorities, UNDP implements several projects on the restoration of the state of authority, mostly in the Northern regions of the country. The main area of intervention is focused on the stabilization of key population centres and support for the re-establishment of State authority throughout the country. This is achieved through:

1. Support the transitional authorities of Mali to extend and re-establish State administration throughout the country.
2. Support national and international efforts towards rebuilding the rule of law and justice sectors, within its capacities and in close coordination with other bilateral partners, donors and international organizations engaged in these fields, including MINUSMA and the EU.
3. Support national and international efforts towards rebuilding the Malian security sector, especially the police and gendarmerie through technical assistance, capacity-building, co-location and mentoring programmes, as well as the rule of law and justice sectors, within its capacities and in close coordination with MINUSMA and other bilateral partners, donors, international organizations engaged in these fields.

Sustainable Development Goals 10. Reduced Inequalities

UNV Focus Area Securing access to basic social services

Task description

Under the direct supervision of the Rule of Law Senior Programme Officer, the UN Volunteer will undertake the following tasks:

- Support the implementation of legal and judicial programmes and assist national actors in mobilizing resources, as and when required;
- Follow-up through the criminal justice chain on the treatment given by prosecutors and judges to cases of alleged illegal detention, and with that purpose, establish and maintain excellent working relations with the police, the prosecution and prison services, the judiciary and other Government officials as well as with the respective mission components;
- Conduct research and analysis and provide expert advice and technical assistance to national counterparts on legal and judicial systems, including on legal and institutional reform;
- Participate in the mapping and assessment of the judicial and legal systems, with on the functioning of the judiciary in the North of the country as well as in factors in rule of law progress in the field (rule of law indicators).
- Assist in key activities with other MINUSMA mission components (e.g. police, corrections, human rights, political/civil affairs, gender, child protection, SSR, etc.) and other United Nations and external assistance providers;
- Assist in the elaboration, submission, monitoring and evaluation of Quick Impact Projects on areas related to judicial affairs.
- When working with national personnel or (non-)governmental counterparts, the Volunteer is strongly encouraged to set aside dedicated time for training, coaching, mentoring and capacity development.

Furthermore, UN Volunteers are required to:- Strengthen their knowledge and understanding of the concept of volunteerism by reading relevant UNV and external publications and take active part in UNV activities (for instance in events that mark International Volunteer Day)- Be acquainted with and build on traditional and/or local forms of volunteerism in the host country- Reflect on the type and quality of voluntary action that they are undertaking, including participation in ongoing reflection activities- Contribute articles/write-ups on field experiences and submit them for UNV publications/websites, newsletters, press releases, etc.- Assist with the UNV Buddy Programme for newly-arrived UN Volunteers- Promote or advise local groups in the use of online volunteering, and encourage relevant local individuals and organizations to use the UNV Online Volunteering service whenever technically possible.

Results/Expected Outputs

- Capacity of sub-national actors strengthened by timely implementation of legal and judicial programmes, which are coherently and timely implemented;
- Mapping and assessment of the judicial and legal systems undertaken and coordinated coherently with other MINUSMA components at the sub-national level;
- Rule of Law indicators project implemented to the maximum extent possible;
- Strategic/technical advice provided to strengthen sub-national justice strategies Research materials and analysis are available on time and in accordance with criteria discussed;
- Reporting obligations are met;

- The development of capacity through coaching, mentoring and formal on-the-job training, when working with (including supervising) national staff or (non-) governmental counter-parts, including Implementing Partners (IPs);
- Age, Gender and Diversity (AGD) perspective is systematically applied, integrated and documented in all activities throughout the assignment
- A final statement of achievements towards volunteerism for peace and development during the assignment, such as reporting on the number of volunteers mobilized, activities participated in and capacities developed

Qualifications/Requirements

Required Degree Level Master degree or equivalent

Education - Additional Comments

In law, or bar qualification or equivalent, in addition to a first-level degree, is required. A first-level university degree in law in combination with other relevant academic qualifications and/or legal experience in the field of rule of law assistance may be accepted in lieu of the advanced university degree.

Years of Required Work Experience 36 months

Experience Description

At least three (3) years of work experience preferably in the field in one or some of the following is highly desirable: illegal/arbitrary detention issues; assessment of factors in rule of law progress in the field (Rule of Law Indicators); informal or traditional justice and traditional/informal justice authorities.

Language Skills

- English (Mandatory) , Level - Fluent
- AND - French (Mandatory) , Level - Working Knowledge

DoA Expertise

- Other legal experience (Mandatory)
- Rule of law, judicial and national legal system reform (Mandatory)

Additional Requirements for Area of Expertise

Solid computer skills, including full proficiency in various MS Office applications (Excel, Word etc.) and other IT applications and office technology equipment;

Need Driving Licence Yes

Competencies & Values

- Accountability
- Adaptability and Flexibility
- Commitment and Motivation
- Commitment to Continuous Learning
- Communication
- Integrity
- Planning and Organizing
- Professionalism
- Respect for Diversity
- Working in Teams

Conditions of Service and other information

Condition of Service

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Conditions of Service for International Specialist:

The contract lasts for the period indicated above with possibility of extensions subject to availability of funding, operational necessity and satisfactory performance. However, there is no expectation of renewal of the assignment.

A UN Volunteer receives a Volunteer Living Allowance (VLA) which is composed of the Monthly Living Allowance (MLA) and a Family Allowance (FA) for those with dependents (maximum three).

The Volunteer Living Allowance (VLA) is paid at the end of each month to cover housing, utilities, transportation, communications and other basic needs. The VLA can be computed by applying the Post-Adjustment Multiplier (PAM) to the VLA base rate of US\$ 1,587. The VLA base rate is a global rate across the world, while the PAM is duty station/country-specific and fluctuates on a monthly basis according to the cost of living. This method ensures that international UN Volunteers have comparable purchasing power at all duty stations irrespective of varying costs of living. The PAM is established by the International Civil Service Commission (ICSC) and is published at the beginning of every month on the ICSC website <http://icsc.un.org>.

For example, kindly enter the link [Calculator](#)

In non-family duty stations that belong to hardship categories D or E, as classified by the ICSC, international UN Volunteers receive a Well-Being Differential (WBD) on a monthly basis.

Furthermore, UN Volunteers are provided a settling-in-grant (SIG) at the start of the assignment (if the volunteer did not reside in the duty station for at least 6 months prior to taking up the assignment) and in the event of a permanent reassignment to another duty station.

UNV provides life, health, permanent disability insurances as well as assignment travel, annual leave, full integration in the UN security framework (including residential security reimbursements).

UN Volunteers are paid Daily Subsistence Allowance at the UN rate for official travels, flight tickets for periodic home visit and for the final repatriation travel (if applicable). Resettlement allowance is paid for satisfactory service at the end of the assignment.

UNV will provide, together with the offer of assignment, a copy of the Conditions of Service, including Code of conduct, to the successful candidate.

Application Code

MLIR000561-2195

Application procedure

If you have not yet registered in the UNV Global Talent Pool, please apply by registering your profile at <https://vmam.unv.org/candidate/signup>. Important: Once you have created your UNV account by validating your email address, please complete all sections of your profile. Go to 'My Page' section of your profile, click on the 'Special Calls' hyperlink and select the special call you would like to apply for.

If you are already registered in the UNV database, please update your profile at <https://vmam.unv.org/> Go to 'My Page' section of your profile, click on the 'Special Calls' hyperlink and select the special call you would like to apply for.

This assignment is funded by the Government of Germany, therefore only nationals of Germany are eligible to apply.

You may apply for more than one UN Volunteer assignment/special call. Interviews with the donor are scheduled to take place from 4 September to 8 September 2017.

Application deadline: 20 August 2017

NB: Concerning the Volunteer Living Allowance (VLA) rate for **Mali**, the indicative monthly amount for this assignment (reference month



of July 2017) is USD 2,141 for a UN Volunteer without dependents; USD 2,391 for a UN Volunteer with one dependent and USD 2,591 for a UN Volunteer with two or more dependents. Please note that the actual amount depends on the country of assignment and is subject to fluctuations in the cost of living. Further details can be found through the VLA calculator upon registration on the database.

Disclaimer

United Nations Volunteers is an equal opportunity programme which welcomes applications from qualified professionals. We are committed to achieving diversity in terms of gender, nationality and culture.

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