

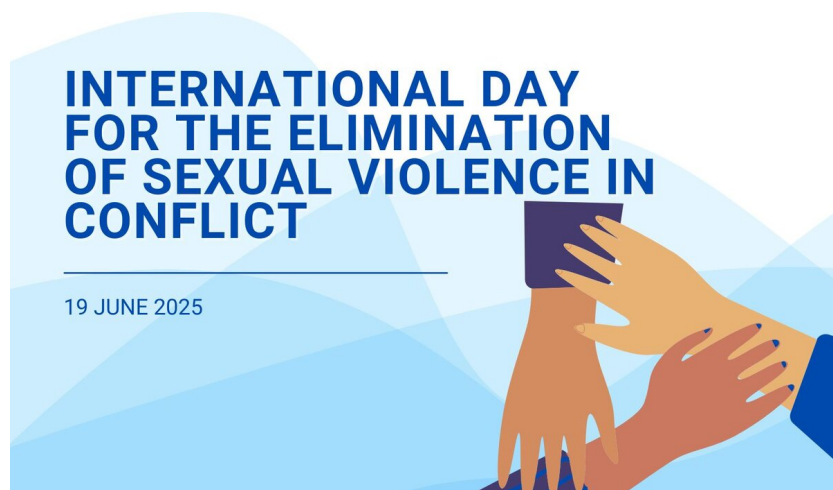
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United Nations Secretary-General's message for International Day for the Elimination of Sexual Violence in Conflict

19 June – “Sexual violence is a grotesque tactic of war, used to brutalize, torture, and repress, scarring bodies, minds and entire communities. The horror of these heinous crimes echoes long after the guns fall silent. Too often, perpetrators walk free, cloaked in impunity, while survivors often bear the impossible burden of stigma and trauma. The pain does not end with them. It stretches across lifetimes, ravaging generations of families, and forces the inherited legacy of trauma and suffering on the descendants of survivors.” [Read More](#)



UN-AU Partnership

The June Informal Meeting of the President of the UNSC and the Chair of the AUPSC

UN Security Council for the month of June, Ambassador Innocent Onye of Tanzania and Ambassador Carolyn Rodriguez-Birkett of Guyana, convened the monthly informal UN-AU Council-to-Council meeting, facilitated by UNOAU. [Read More](#).



UNOAU provides technical support for the 12th Annual Coordination Conference on African Standby Capacity

From 11-13 June, UNOAU participated in and supported the 12th African Standby Capacity (ASC) Annual Coordination Meeting hosted by the Southern African Development Community (SADC) which was held in Johannesburg, South Africa. The annual meeting serves as a crucial platform that brings together the Civilian Component from the AU Commission, Regional Economic Communities /Regional Mechanisms (RECs/RMs), Planning Elements, along with other stakeholders to discuss the operationalization of the ASC roster, address challenges in implementing operational plans, and harmonize rostering activities. [Read more](#).



Applied International Humanitarian Law

From 16-18 June, UNOAU in collaboration with the International Peace Support Training Centre (IPSTC) and the Government of Switzerland supported the development of a Training Curriculum in the application of International Humanitarian Law (IHL) in AU peace support operations. The curriculum development workshop took place in Nairobi, Kenya. The rationale for the development of the curriculum was based on the need to strengthen the application of IHL in the implementation of AU peace support operations. [Read more.](#)



UNOAU Highlights

UNOAU participates in the 50th anniversary celebration of ECOWAS

On 12 June, UNOAU participated in the 50th anniversary celebration of the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS), which was co-hosted by the African Union (AU) and ECOWAS.

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SRSG Parfait Onanga-Anyanga's Opening Remarks at the Climate Security Mechanism Partnership Dialogue 2025

to the 2025 Climate Security Mechanism Partnership Dialogue here in Addis Ababa. I wish to thank the Climate Security Mechanism, the Group of Friends on Climate and Security, and all partners for working closely with UNOAU to make this timely and important Dialogue possible.” [Read More](#).



Regional Partnerships to Bridge Climate Action, Peace and Security

23 June — The Climate Security Mechanism (CSM) at the United Nations, jointly with the United Nations Office to the African Union (UNOAU), concluded the 2025 CSM Partnership Dialogue today in Addis Ababa and online. The event was held in partnership with the Group of Friends on Climate and Security. [Read More](#).



Africa Climate, Peace and Security Advisors and Experts Strategic Coordination Workshop held in Addis Ababa

The United Nations Office to the African Union (UNOAU) and the [Climate Security Mechanism](#) (CSM), with support from the Government of Switzerland, successfully concluded a two-day Africa Climate, Peace and Security Advisors and Experts Strategic Coordination Workshop in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. [Read More](#).



Read the Policy Brief | Coherence for the Great Green Wall Initiative

crisis, with Africa experiencing severe impacts due to limited adaptation capacity. The continent faces rising security and development risks linked to climate instability. Recent assessments by the IPCC, ACRA, and AU highlight urgent action needed. This policy brief presents key AU recommendations to tackle climate-security challenges through the Great Green Wall Initiative. [Read more.](#)

Regional Policy Coherence for the Great Green Wall Initiative

Restoring Land and Sustaining Peace
The Great Green Wall and the Climate-Peace-Security Nexus in Africa

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Podcast: She Stands for Peace - Now Available in French

Le RSSG Parfait Onanga-Anyanga, chef du Bureau des Nations Unies auprès de l'Union africaine, nous rejoint dans cet épisode inaugural de la saison 4 du podcast She Stands for Peace. Dans notre dialogue passionnant, le RSSG Onanga-Anyanga revient sur le parcours de la résolution 1325 du Conseil de sécurité de l'ONU en Afrique, alors que nous approchons d'un quart de siècle depuis sa création. Il salue les progrès réalisés tout en abordant avec franchise les défis persistants tels que les normes sociétales profondément enracinées, l'inaction politique et la menace de réactions négatives.



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