



United Nations Assistance Mission for Afghanistan (UNAMA)
INTERNAL/EXTERNAL VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

Vacancy No.	10/05/2017
Post Title	Assistant Human Rights Officer
Level	NO-A (Fixed-Term)
Organizational Unit	Human Rights Unit
Location	Bamyan Field Office
Number of post	01
Issuing Date	11/05/2017
Closing Date	09/06/2017

Important note: UNAMA will only accept properly completed and signed Personal History Form (P.11) received before closing date. **CVs or Resumes** will not be considered nor will late submissions after closing date.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The Assistant Human Rights Officer will be responsible for the following duties:

- Assists in researching, collecting, verifying, analyzing and synthesizing significant amounts of information, including from open sources, of relevance to human rights in the designated mission area;
- In consultation with the Human Rights Officer, assists in liaising with appropriate local and national authorities, civil society, UN Agencies, Funds and Programmes with complementary mandates, and other relevant partners to monitor developments in the human rights situation;
- Assists in the development of initiatives to strengthen the response to systematic and/or emerging patterns of human rights violations and abuses;
- Assists in the investigation process of human rights and international humanitarian law violations;
- Provides inputs to variety of reports, briefings and other types of communications relating to human rights matters in compliance with established standards;
- Participates in the formulation of meaningful recommendations and strategies to better promote and protect human rights in the mission area;
- Participates in the mainstreaming of human rights in the formulation and implementation of the UN peace mission and UN agency activities at country and local levels;
- Interacts with other UN peace operation components/sections, including the police and military, to integrate human rights considerations in their respective activities;
- Assists in supporting human rights capacity building efforts for civil society and state authorities, including for aligning legislative and rule of law reforms with international human rights norms and for the State to meet international human rights law obligations;
- Assists in the design, delivery and evaluation of human rights training programmes for national officials, civil society representatives, human rights non-governmental organizations (NGOs) and other national stakeholders in order to build national capacities;
- Verifies and ensures the timely entry of cases of human rights violations into a database in compliance with established standards;
- Contributes to the Integration of gender perspectives/considerations and specific women/girls' rights issues in all activities and to the equal participation of women and men in all areas of work;

- Integrates UN developed methodology in the human rights monitoring, reporting and investigation activities;
- Performs other related duties as required.

QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPERIENCE

Education: An advanced university degree (Master's degree or equivalent) in law, political science, international relations, social sciences, or in a related area. A first-level university degree in combination with one additional years of qualifying experience may be accepted in lieu of the advanced university degree.

Work Experience: Relevant years of work experience is not required for applicants with a relevant Master's degree to the position advertised. However, applicants with a Bachelor's degree must have a minimum of 1 year of progressively responsible experience in human rights, social work, legal affairs or a closely related field is required. Experience acquired in developing and/or implementing projects for communities at risk or population in vulnerable situation is required.

The following may be required: Experience working with national and/or international human rights standards, instruments and mechanisms. Previous experience in human rights monitoring and reporting and on/or in building capacity for the promotion and protection of human rights. Previous experience in project management is desirable. Experience in facilitating training, participating in education or information campaigns. Previous experience in assisting victims of human rights violations.

Languages: Fluency in written and oral English and Pashtu/Dari is required.

Special measure:

The minimum work experience for NO-A with a relevant Bachelor degree is reduced to 1 year, instead of the standard minimum requirement work experience of 2 years. The special measure approved by the Office of Human Resources Management (OHRM)-UNHQ, until 31 May 2017, reduces the minimum required years of relevant work experience for filling positions for UNAMA General Service and National Professional Officer positions. The special measure is applicable to all applicants.

UN CORE VALUES AND COMPETENCIES

Professionalism: Shows persistence when faced with difficult problems or challenges. Shows pride in work and in achievements; demonstrates professional competence and mastery of subject matter; is conscientious and efficient in meeting commitments, observing deadlines and achieving results; is motivated by professional rather than personal concerns; shows persistence when faced with difficult problems or challenges; remains calm in stressful situations.

Integrity: Demonstrates the values of the United Nations in daily activities and behaviours; acts without consideration of personal gain; resists undue political pressure in decision-making; does not abuse power or authority; stands by decisions that are in the Organization's interest, even if they are unpopular; takes prompt action in cases of unprofessional or unethical behaviour.

Respect for Diversity: Works effectively with people from all backgrounds; treats all people with dignity and respect; treats men and women equally; shows respect for and understanding of diverse points of view and demonstrates this understanding in daily work and decision-making; examines own biases and behaviours to avoid stereotypical responses; does not discriminate against any individual or group.

Teamwork: Works collaboratively with colleagues to achieve organizational goals. Solicits input by genuinely valuing others' ideas and expertise; is willing to learn from others. Places team agenda before personal agenda. Supports and acts in accordance with final group decision, even when such decisions may not entirely reflect own position. Shares credit for team accomplishments and accepts joint responsibility for team shortcomings.

Accountability: Takes ownership of all responsibilities and honours commitments. Delivers outputs for which one has responsibility within prescribed time, cost and quality standards. Operates in compliance with organizational regulations and rules. Supports subordinates, provides oversight and takes responsibility for delegated assignments. Takes personal responsibility for his/her own shortcomings and those of the work unit, where applicable.

APPLICATIONS

Applicants must accurately complete, sign and date the United Nations Personal History form (P.11) and forward the duly completed signed P.11 copy by e-mail to: unamava_bamyan@un.org

Required documents: Serving UN staff members: The two most recent e-Performance Evaluation Reports must be submitted with the application.

For External applicants: Two most recent performance evaluation reports or if not available, two reference letters. If the applications received do not contain the latest two performance evaluation reports candidates must provide a short explanation as to why they are not available.

Applicants should indicate VA Number and Post Title on the email subject line when submitting duly completed and signed P.11 Form. UNAMA will not consider any applications received without VA Number and Post Title in the email subject line and after the closing date of the VA. Incomplete P.11 will not be accepted.

Please note that any information provided on the P.11 form will be considered binding.

The selected candidates will be subject to a reference checks process to verify the information provided in the P.11 form.

Only applicants who are short-listed will receive an acknowledgement within two weeks from the deadline indicated on the VA.

Qualified female candidates are highly encouraged to apply

The necessity for ensuring the highest standards of efficiency, competence and integrity remain the paramount considerations in the employment of personnel. To ensure fairness and transparency, selection will be made on a competitive basis through a selection panel.