

Excellencies, Ministers, distinguished delegates, ladies and gentlemen,

- **It is a privilege to address you today at this Peacekeeping Ministerial here in Berlin. I extend my gratitude to the Government of Germany for an excellent organization of this important event. Our gathering reflects our shared commitment to multilateralism and the indispensable role of UN peacekeeping in maintaining international stability.**
- **Norway reaffirms its unwavering support for the UN's peacekeeping efforts, recognizing that effective missions are essential not only for maintaining order but also for protecting human rights in conflict-affected areas. We firmly stand behind the Secretary-General's Action for Peacekeeping (A4P) initiative as we work together to strengthen our collective peace and security architecture.**
- **Norway's contributions to UN peacekeeping are built on three essential pillars: deployment of qualified personnel, strategic financial support and robust training initiatives. We recognize that the success of peacekeeping missions relies heavily on well-trained personnel equipped to address the unique challenges of their operating environments. Therefore, we are considering contributions to a Mobile Training Team within a multilateral framework as well as providing police instructors specifically for training purposes. This initiative will enhance the collective preparedness and operational capabilities of peacekeepers.**
- **Strengthening situational awareness across missions, which is paramount for ensuring the safety and security of both civilians and military peacekeepers. Our renewed support to the peacekeeping intelligence academy exemplifies our commitment to enhancing the analytical capabilities of peacekeepers as they navigate increasingly complex environments.**

- To address the rising threats posed by misinformation and hate speech, we recognize the urgent need for proactive measures. Therefore, we will fund a Training of Trainers Course designed to combat dis- and misinformation, empowering peacekeepers to better protect civilians. In alignment with this, we will support the Secretary-General's digital transformation strategy, ensuring our personnel are equipped to tackle the challenges of the modern theater of operations effectively.
- Furthermore, Norway is committed to making financial contributions to advancing the implementation of the Conflict-Related Sexual Violence mandate and to implementing and mainstreaming child protection mandates in UN peacekeeping operations.
- As we reflect on our commitment to strategic force generation, we recognize its importance for maintaining adaptable and effective peacekeeping missions. Additionally, we will fund projects aimed at bridging efforts towards the Prevention of Relapse into Conflict and Supporting Sustainable Peace, along with advancing the criminal justice processes necessary for sustainable peace.
- In conclusion, Norway stands resolute in its commitment to UN peacekeeping. Let us come together to reaffirm our partnerships and enhance our collective efforts to support this essential mission.
- Thank you.