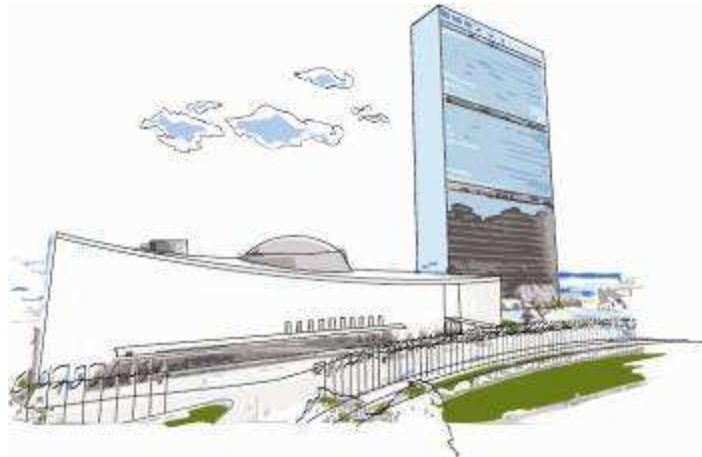


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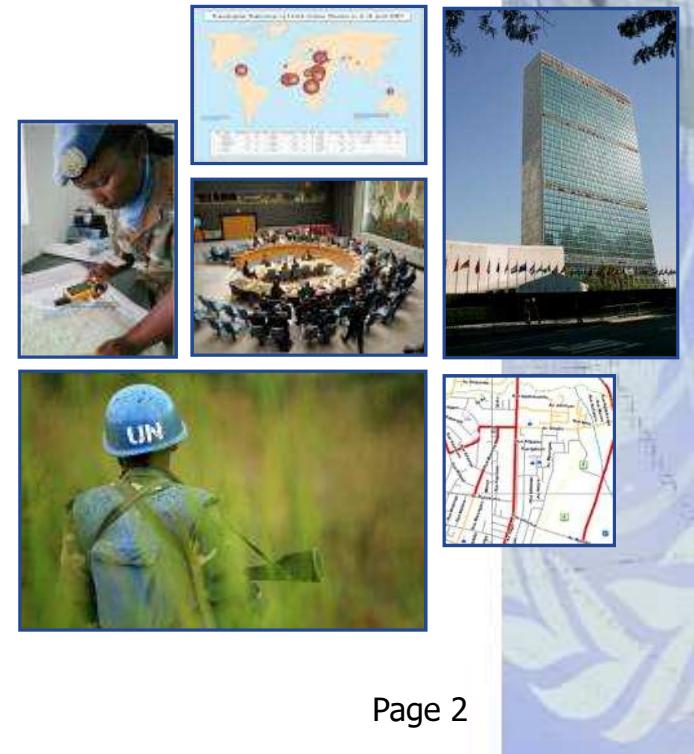


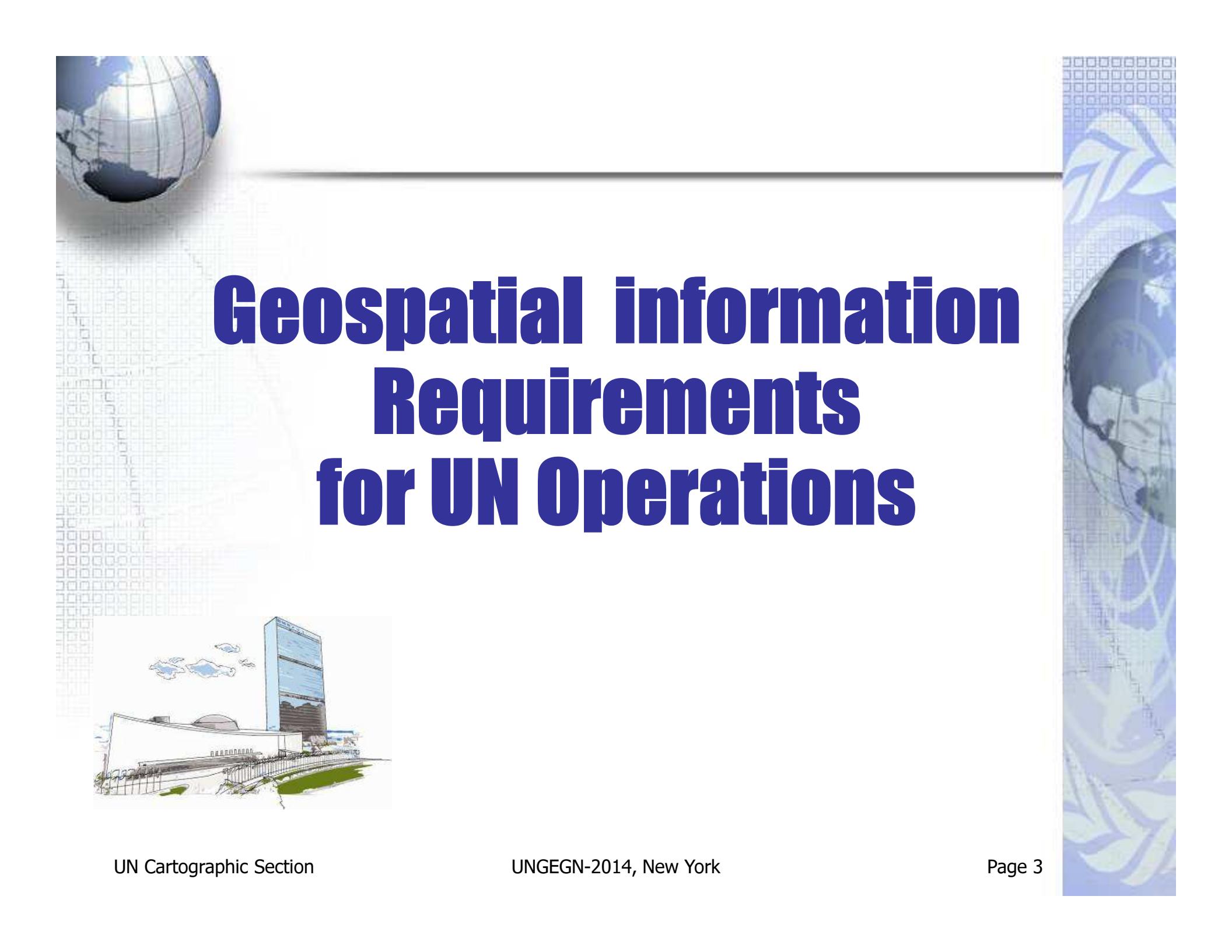
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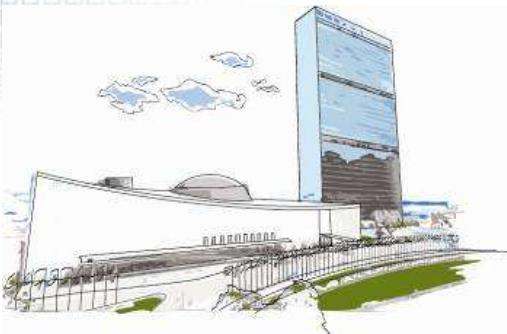
Principal duties include:

1. Provide accurate and timely geospatial information in support of the decision-making and operational needs of
 - . **UN Security Council**
 - . **UN Secretariat**
 - . **UN Peace Operations (DPKO, DPA, DFS)**
 - . **UN Operations & Crisis Centre (UNOCC)**
2. Programme management of **field mission GIS operations**
3. Provide technical assistance on **International Boundary issues**
4. Co-Secretariat (with SD/DESA) of **UN Committee of Experts on Global Geospatial Information Management (UN-GGIM)**





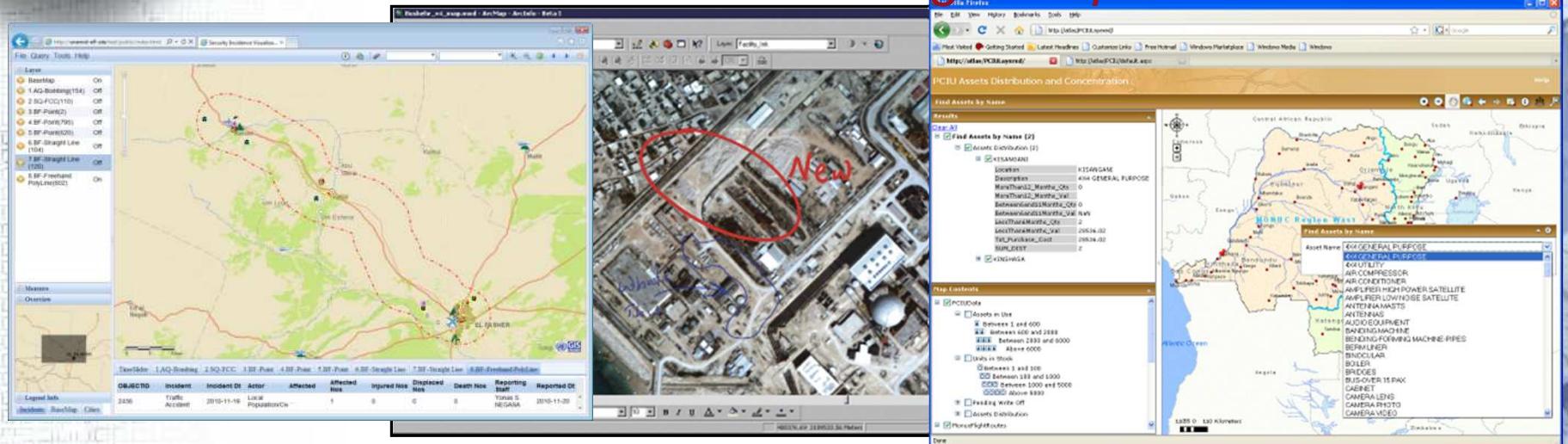
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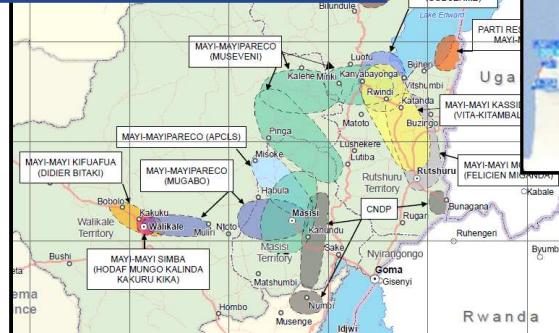
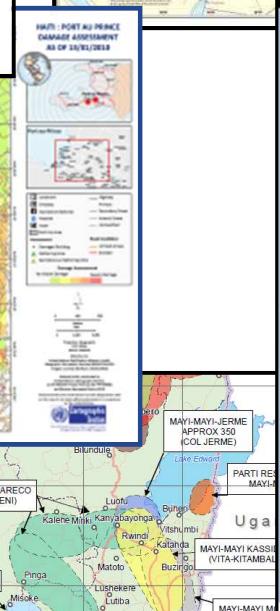
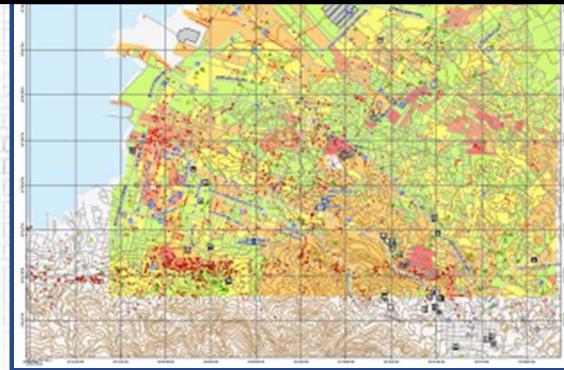
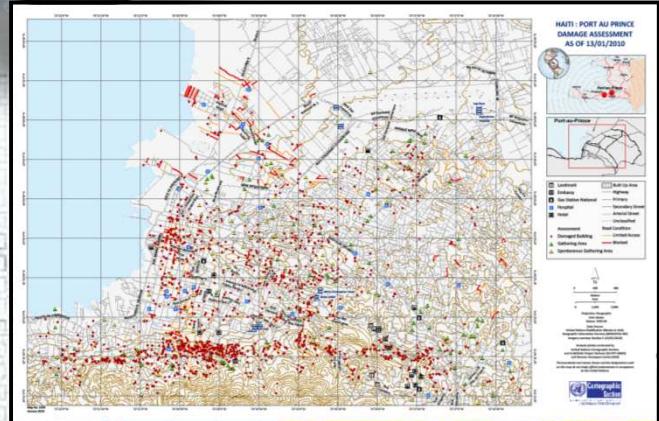
Geospatial Visualisation

... Communicating Complex Information.





Geospatial Analysis



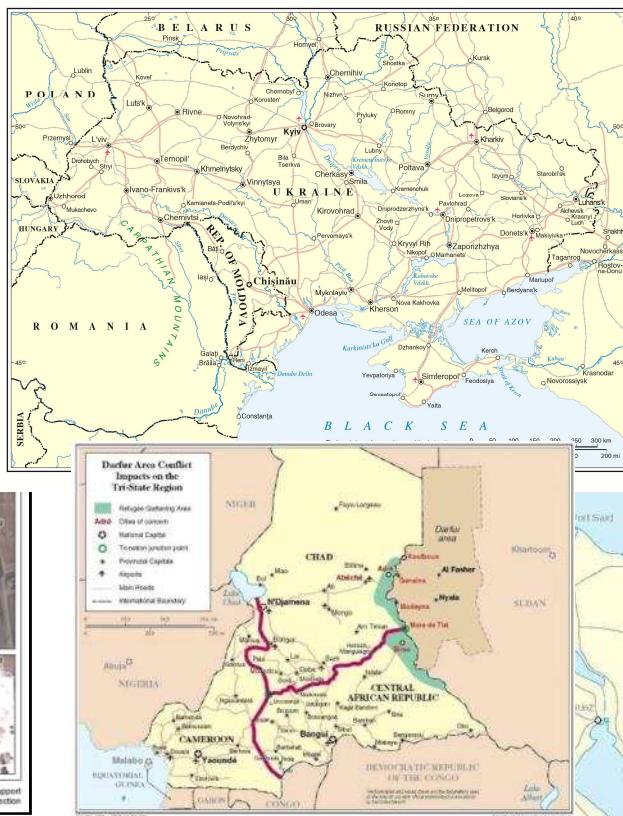
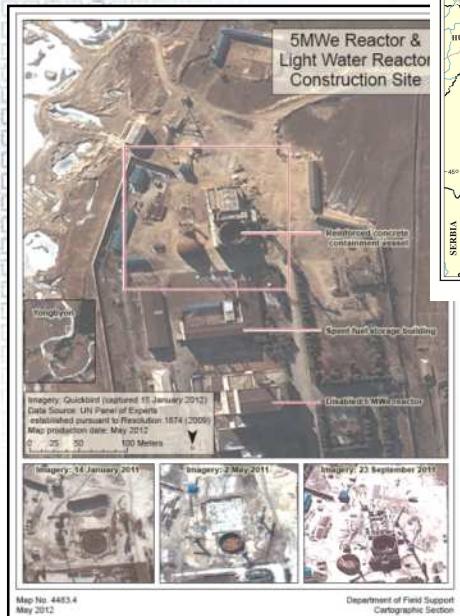
*Analyzing Relationships,
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... Helping
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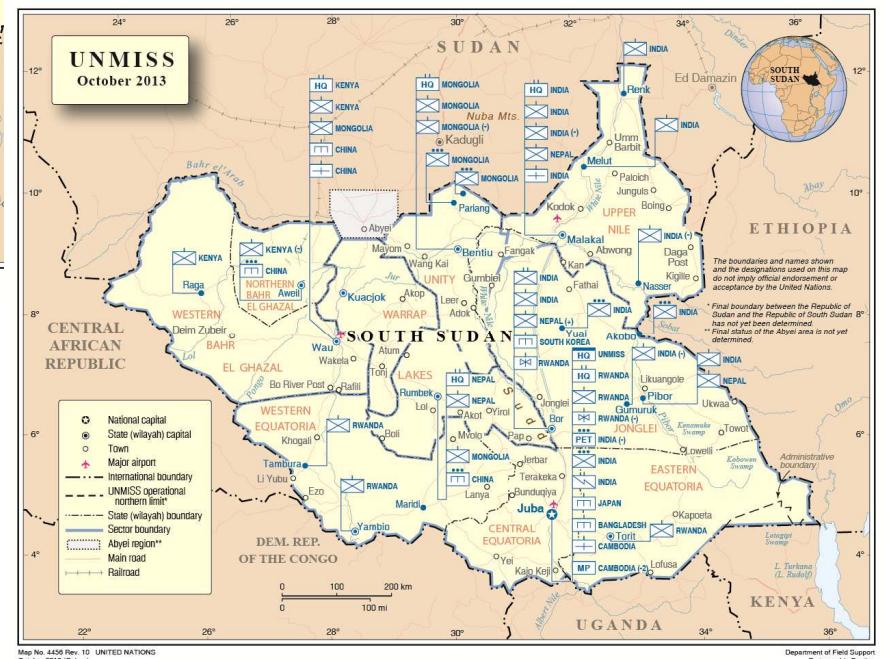
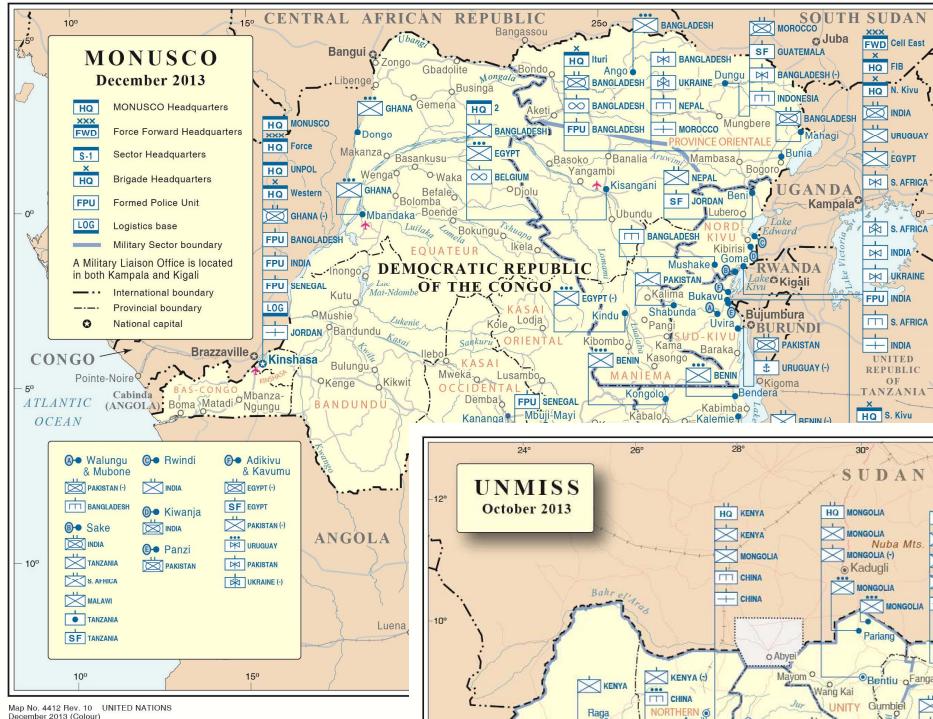
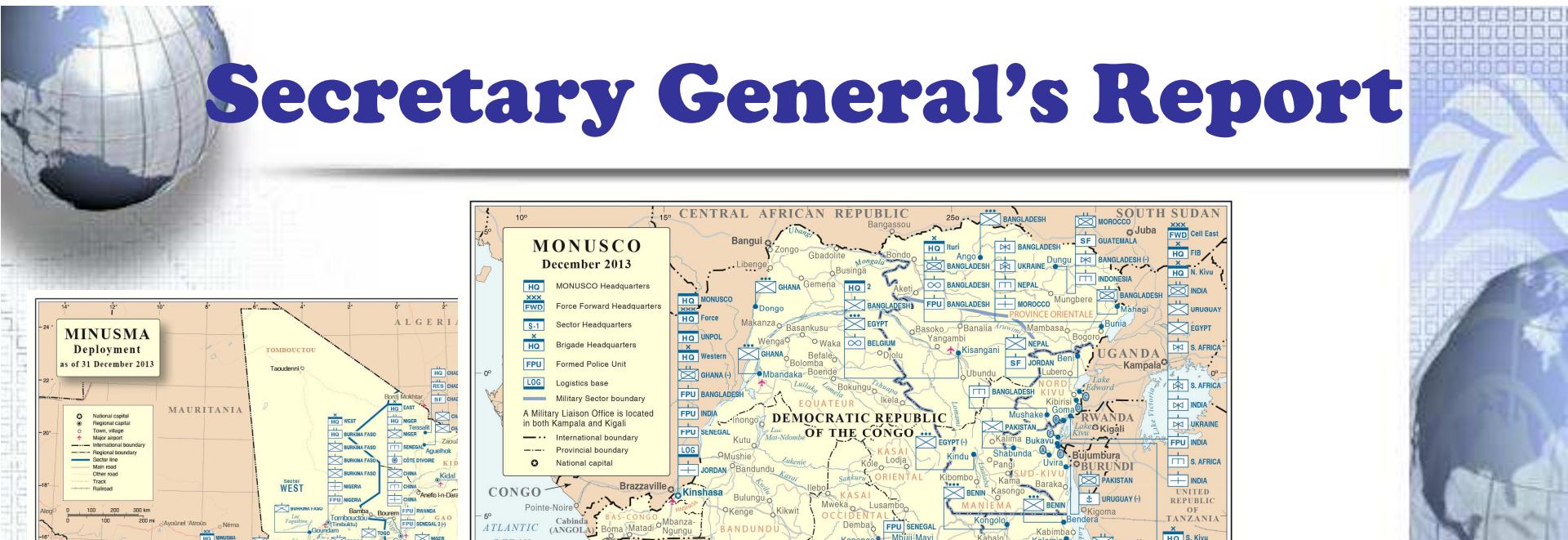


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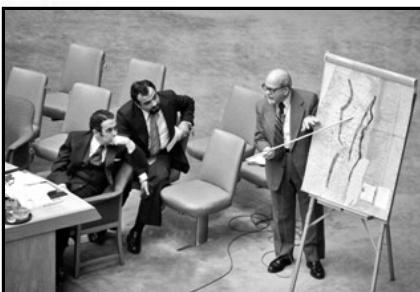
- Provide Geo-information during the daily Council's consultations & meetings
- Provide Geo-information & analysis to the Council's Panels of Experts



Secretary General's Report



Map production for UN official briefing and publication



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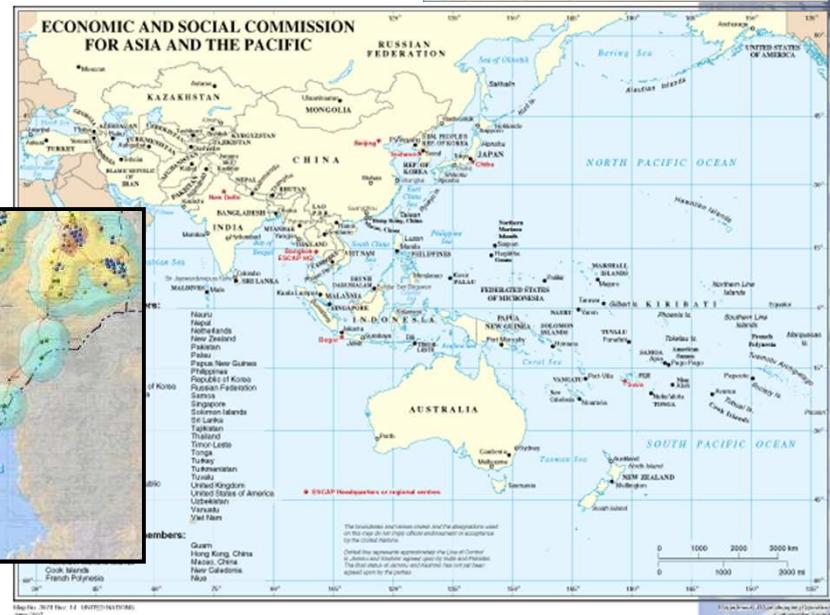
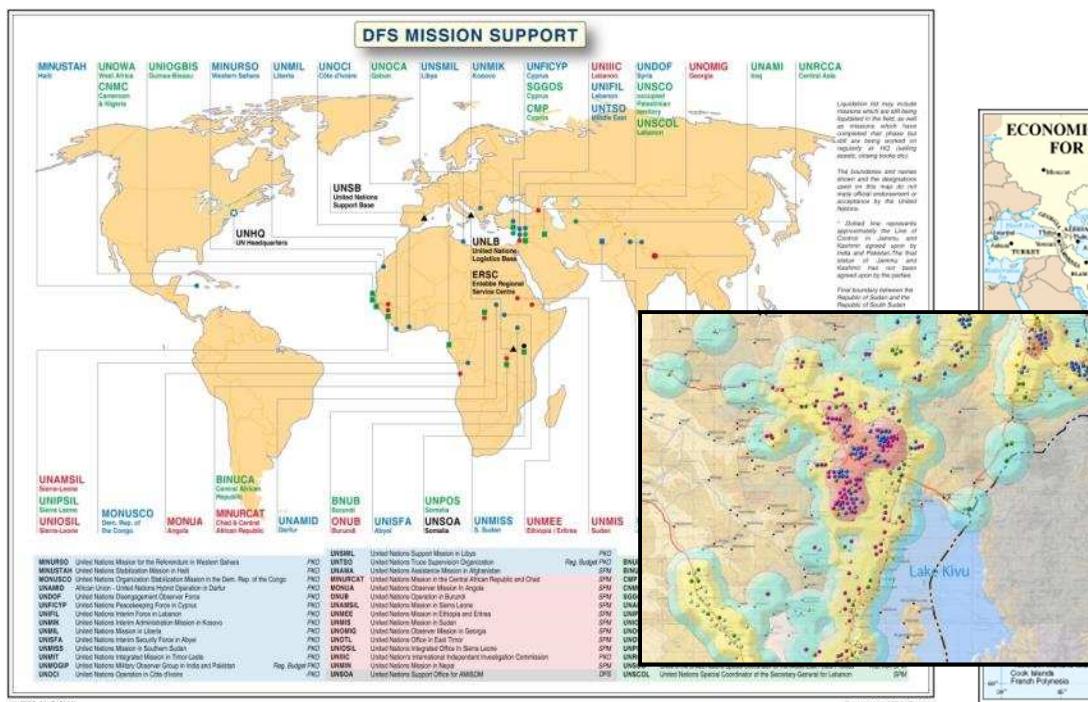
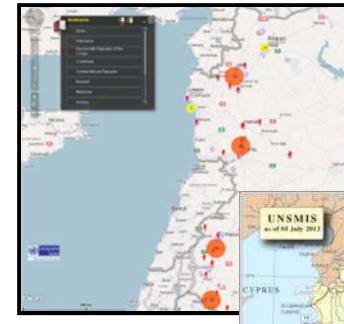


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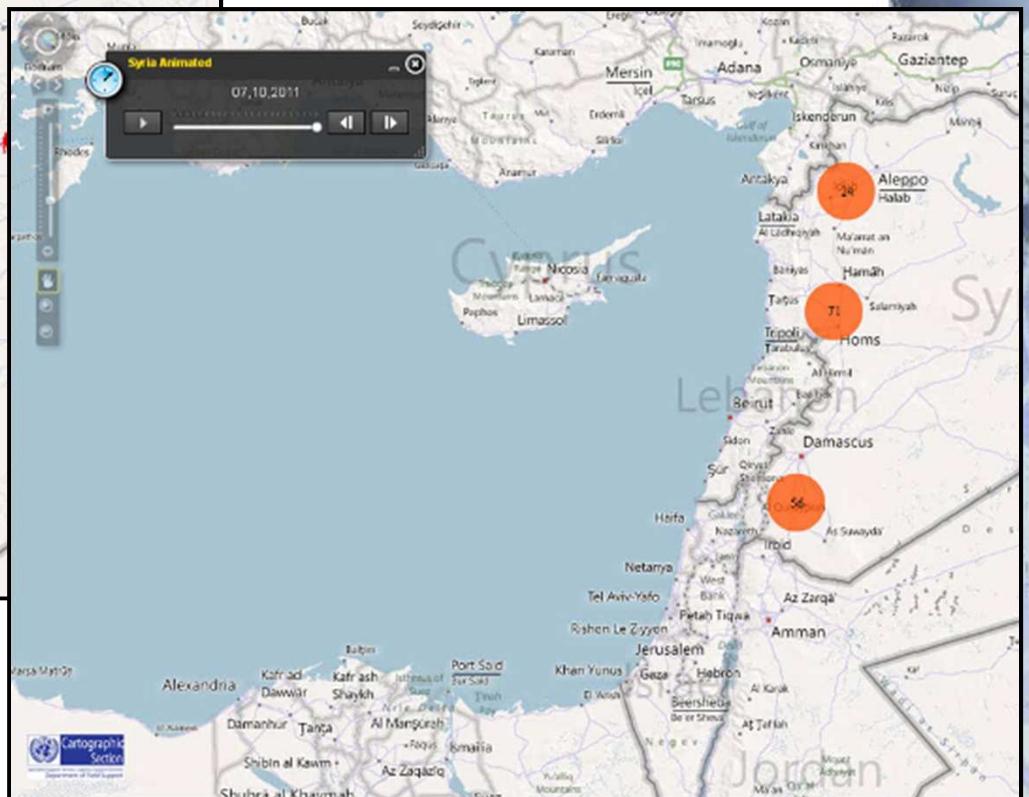
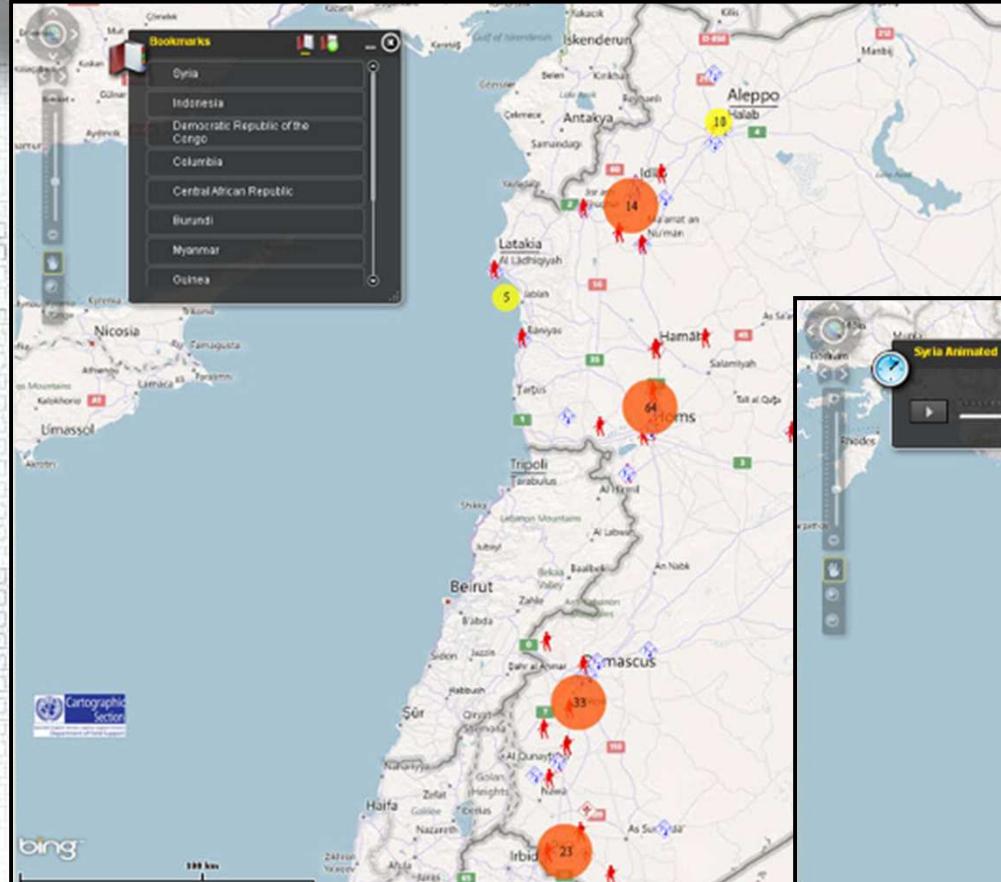
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UNHQ Offices requiring regular support:

- DPKO/DFS/DPA
 - DSS (existing SLA)
 - OCHA, DESA, OLA (DOALOS and Treaty Section)
 - DPI, ODA, OSAPG, etc



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- Web-Map services for pattern analysis, etc

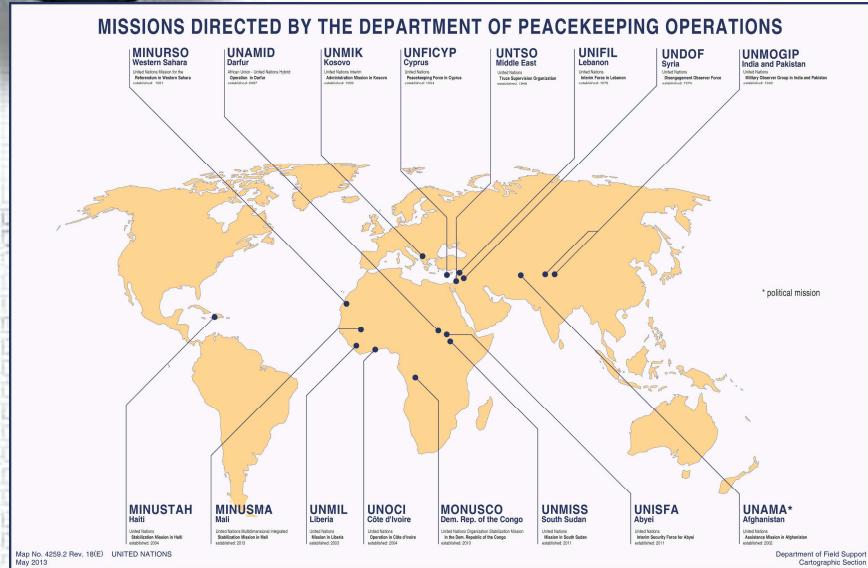


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Peacekeeping Budgets

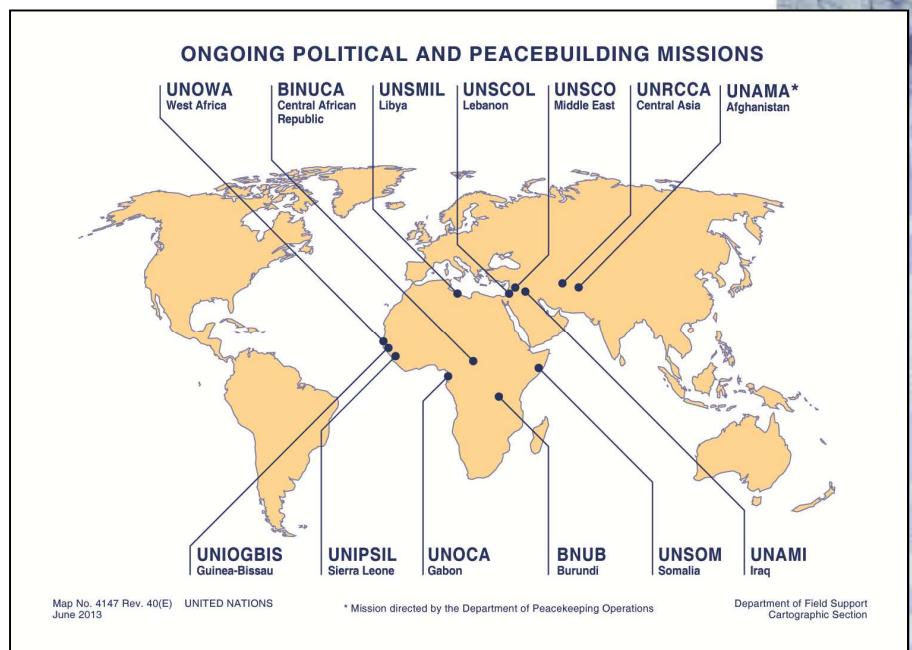
- Jul 2013 - Jun 2014: \$7.2 billions
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- (source: UN fact sheets)



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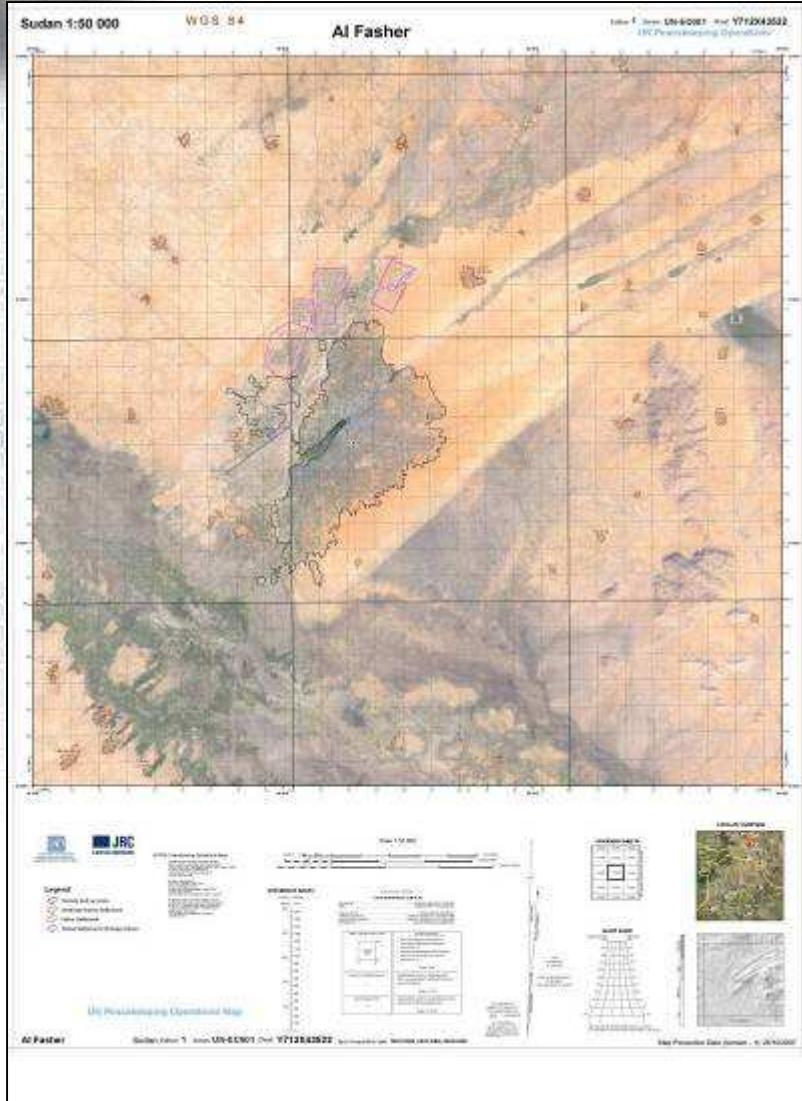
Personnel	PKO	PBO
• Current operations	16	13
• Uniformed personnel	90,241	456
• International civilian	5,084	1,280
• Local civilian	11,730	2,429
• UN Volunteers	2,076	96
• Total:	109,247	4,261



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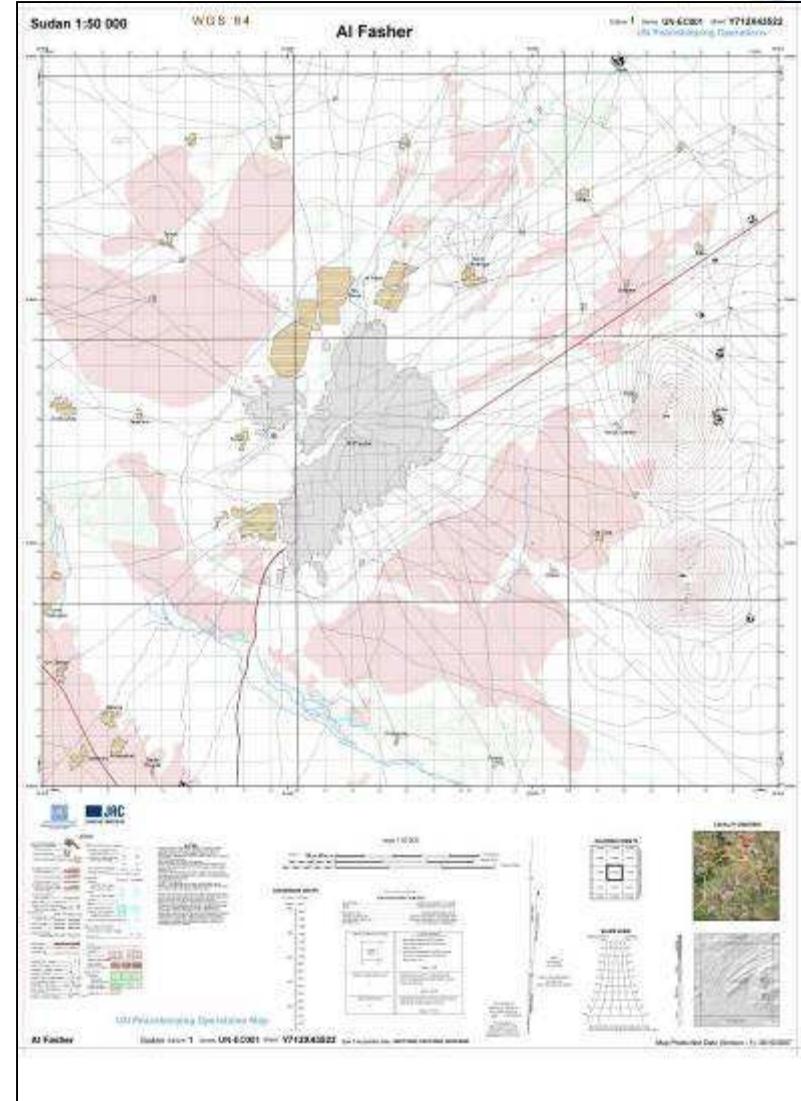
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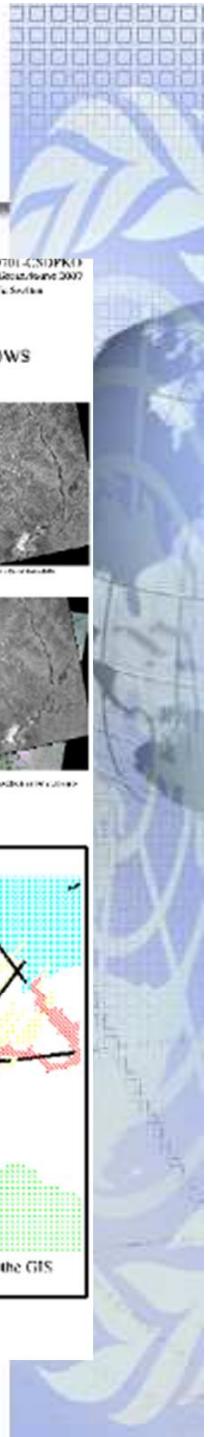


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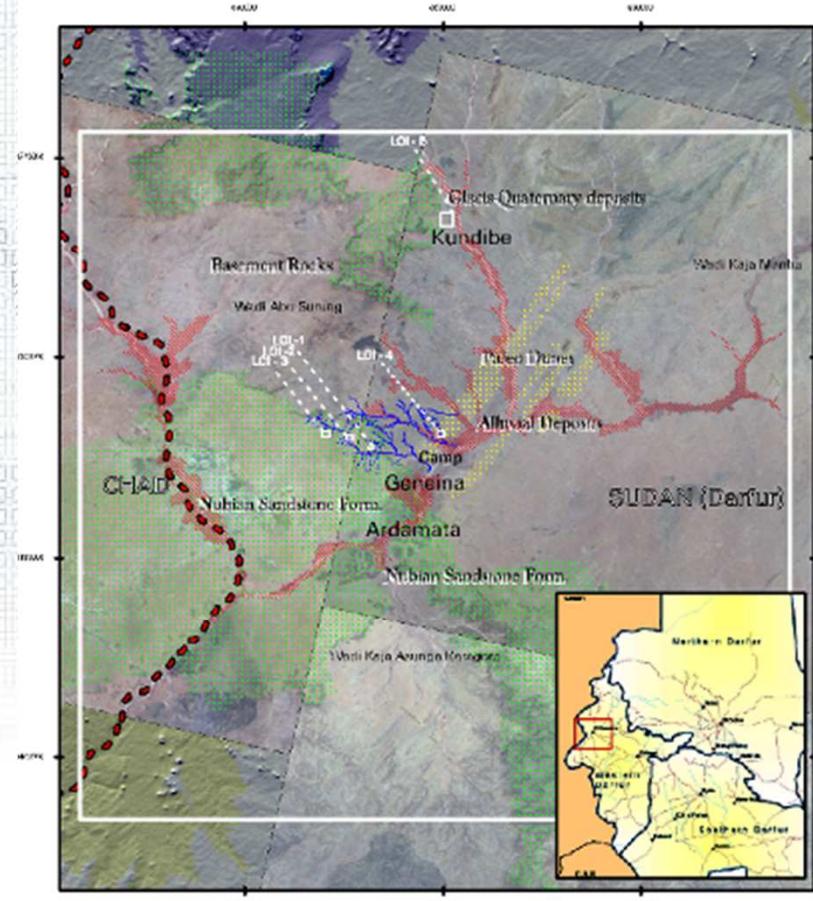
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Underground Water Exploration in Darfur

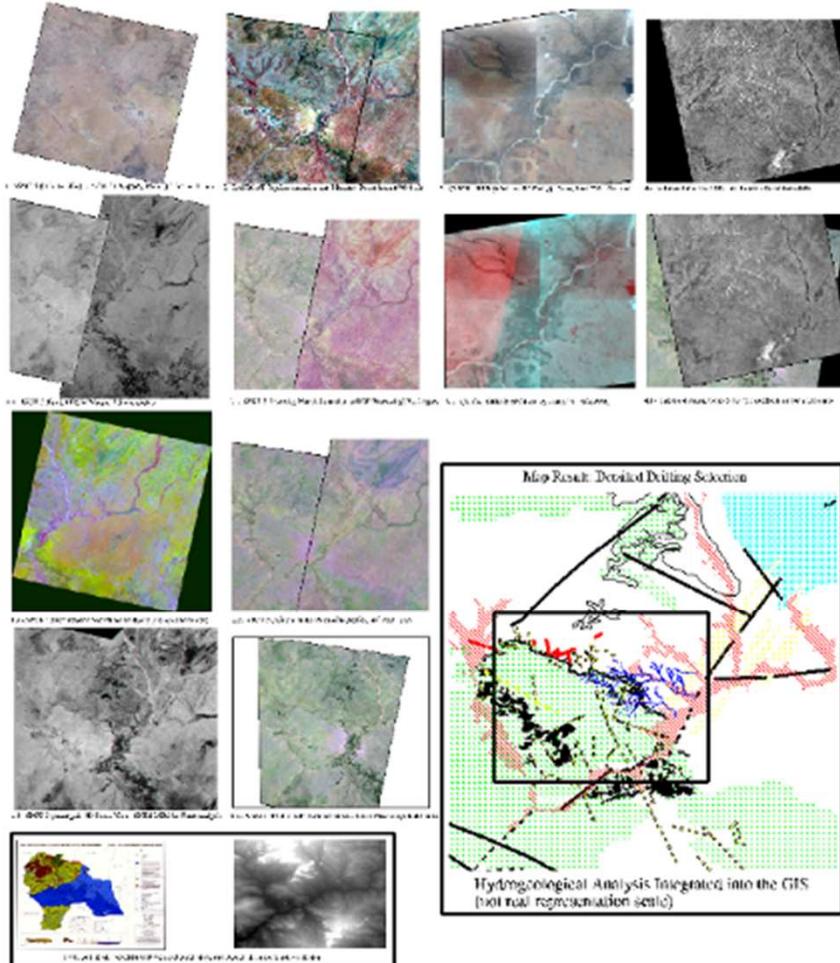


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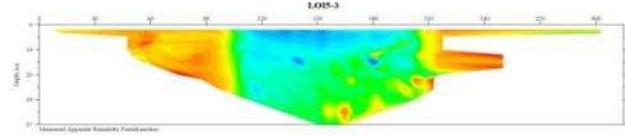
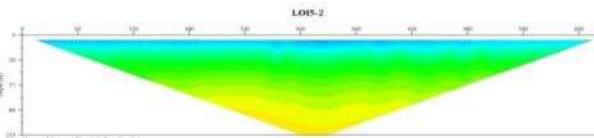
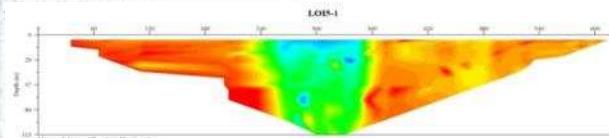
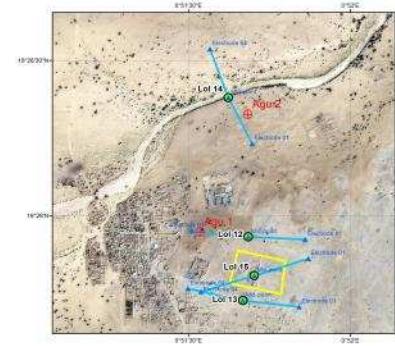
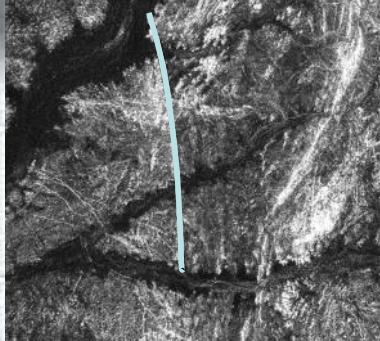
GIS and SATELLITE DATA : Data Sources and Processing Workflows





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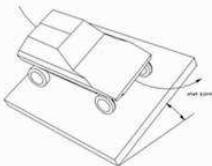
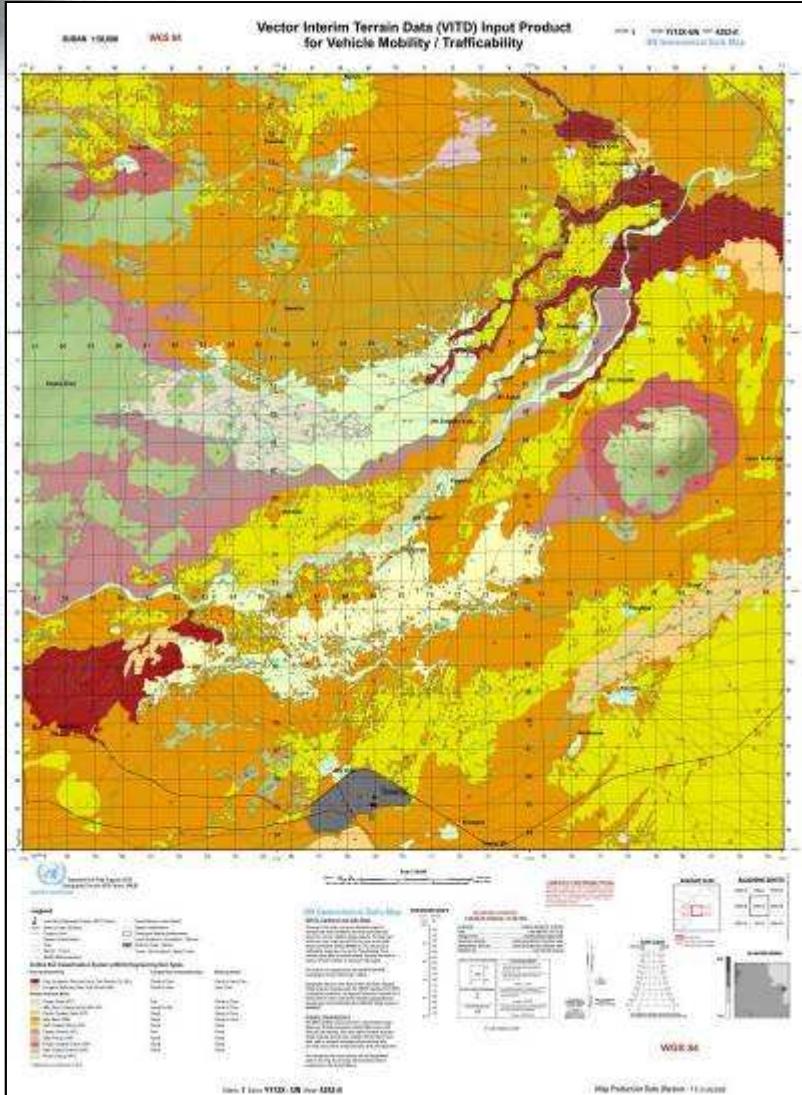
Underground Water Exploration in Mali



- High success rate using modern geospatial technology
- Water found in 6 towns (Tombouctou, Gao, Kidal, Almoustarat, Aguelhoc, Tessalit)

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Terrain Analysis for Trafficability



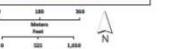
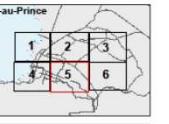
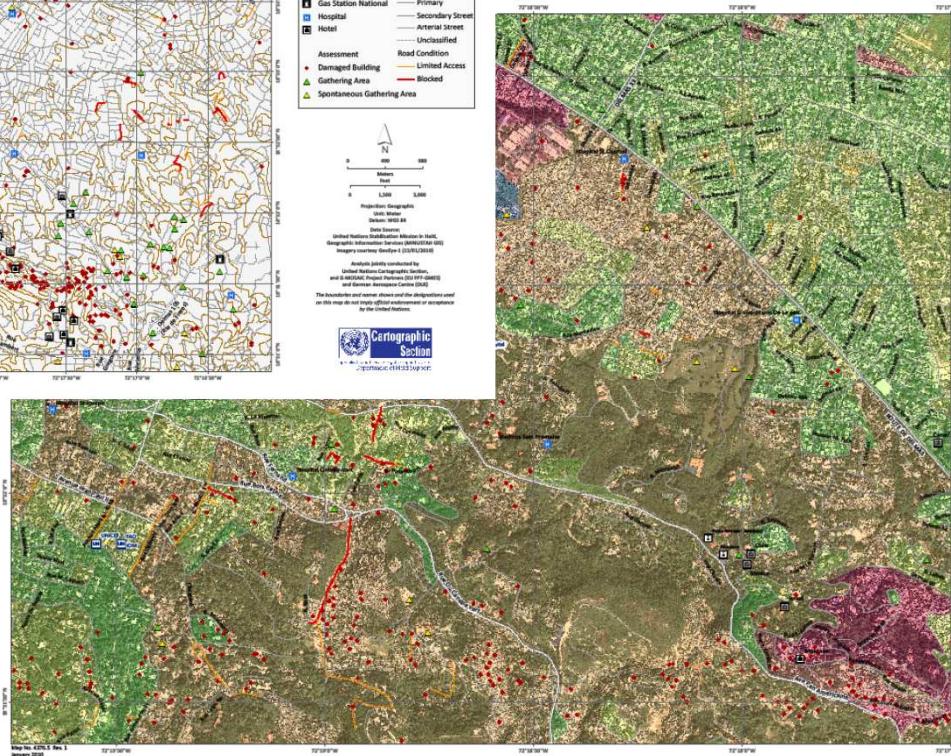
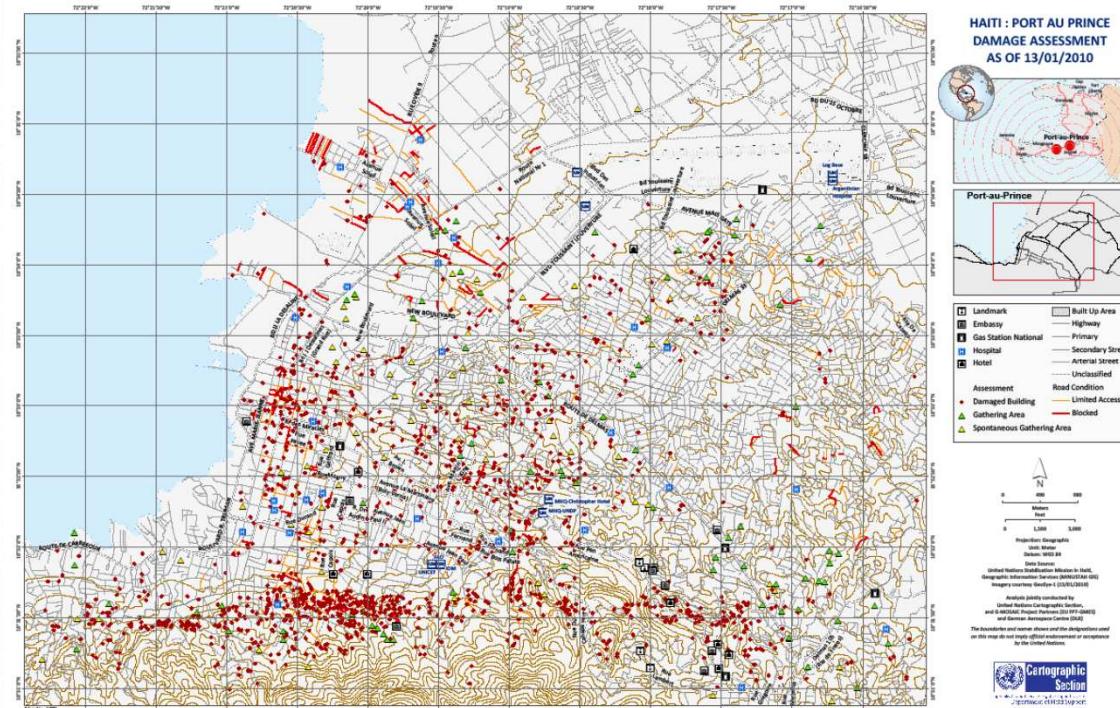
Field movement challenges





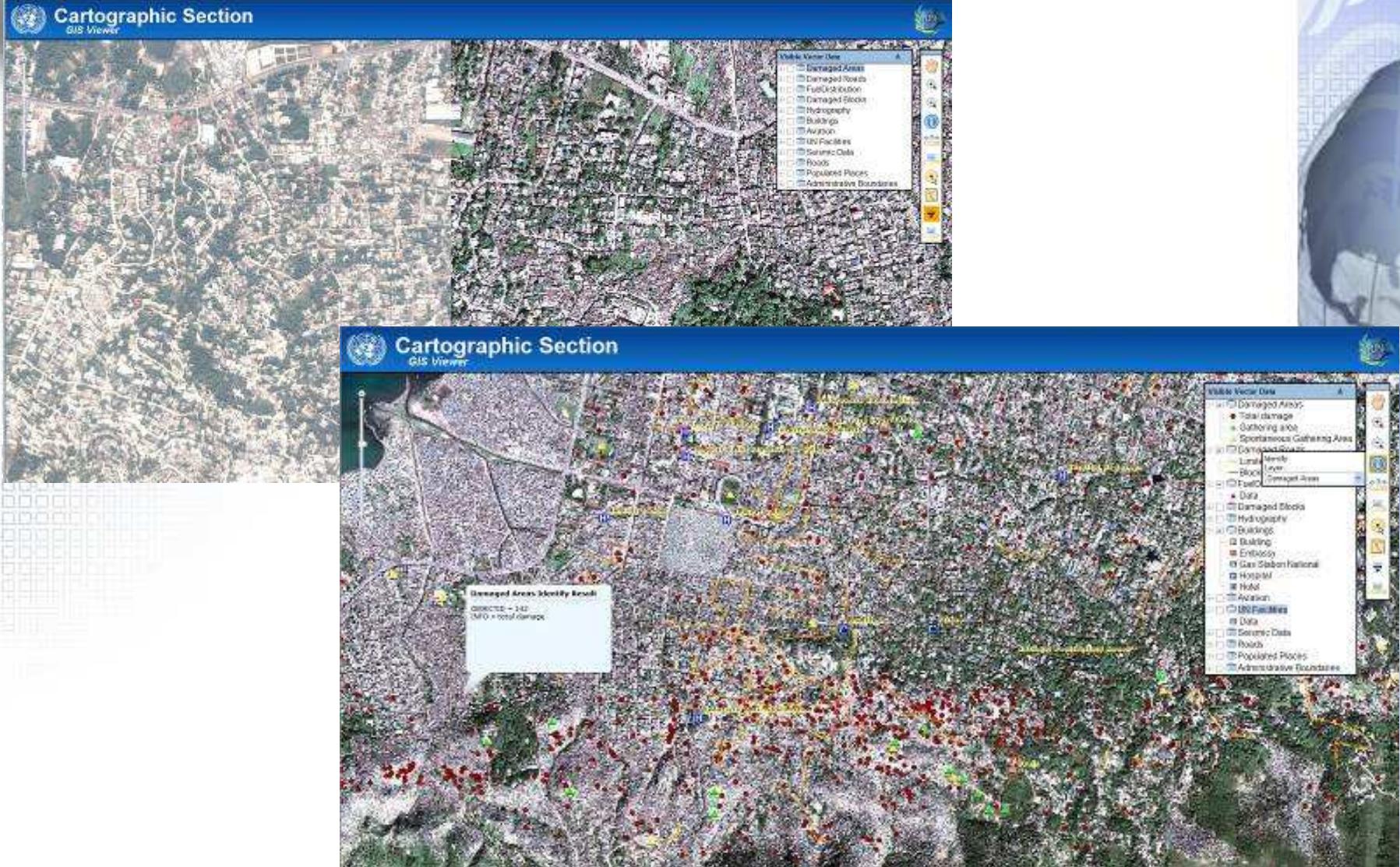
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Geo Analysis for Damage Assessment in Haiti



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Web-mapping for Haiti Earthquake



UN Field Operations

Web-mapping for Security Warden (UNIFIL)



The figure shows a Geographic Information System (GIS) interface with a map of a coastal town or city. The map includes a legend, search bar, and various layers such as International, National, S, V, and Nat Specified. A table on the right lists personnel information, and a detailed satellite view of a specific area is shown at the bottom.

Legend

- International
- National
- S
- V
- Nat Specified

Places

Layers

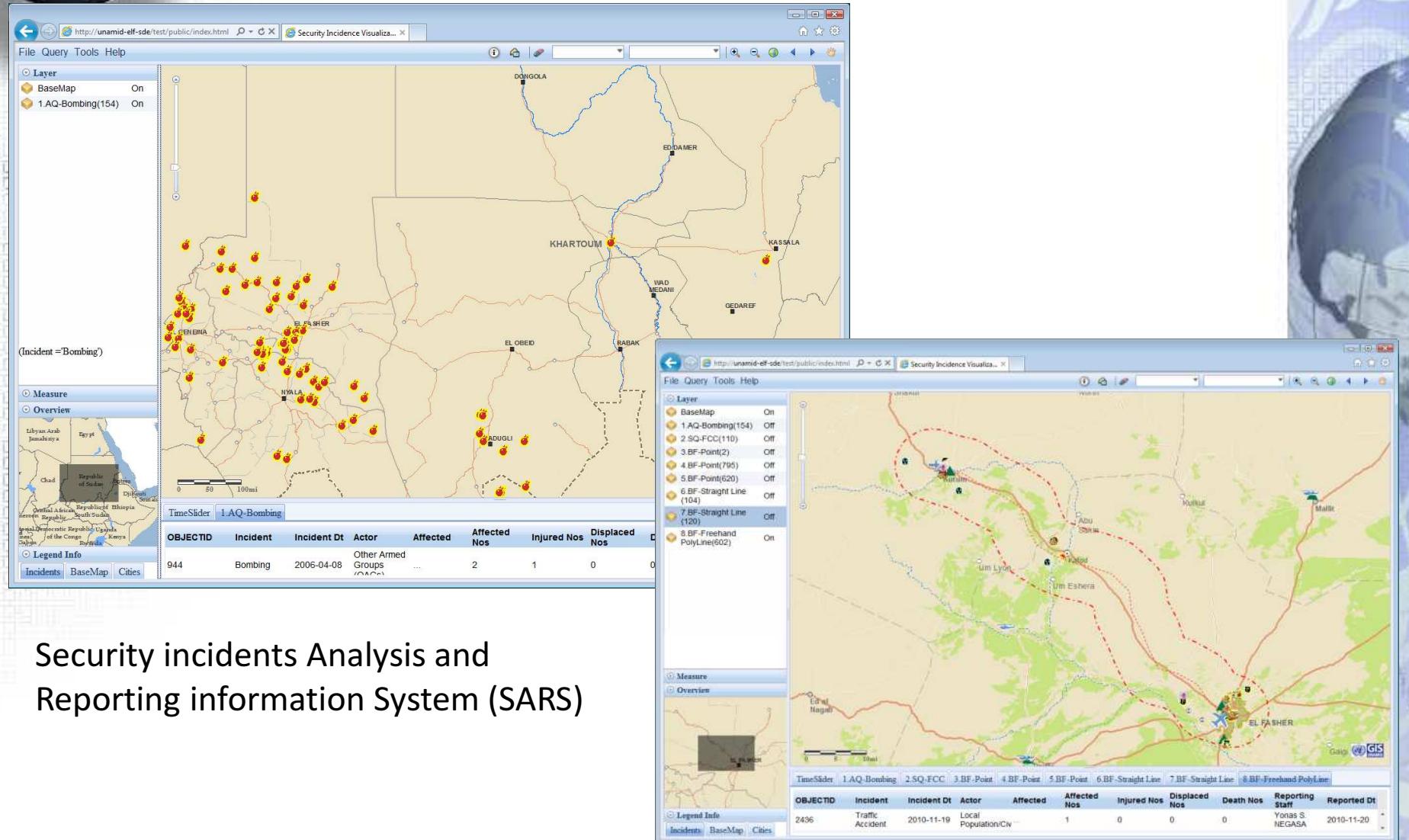
Table: Personnel List

Address	Guesthouse ID	Mobile	Call Sign	Location	Section	Warden	Recruit	Blood	Warden Name	Type	Photo	Emergency	GlobalID
13th Wazir Akbar Khan, next to UNHCR Guesthouse	NA	700182734	KQ 41	Kabul	SISG Political	*	1	A+	Zulfiqar Bhat	I			{EE6B4A3C-E5B9-4C6B-A9A0-384EF982E71}
13th Wazir Akbar Khan, next to UNHCR Guesthouse	NA	70009384	KQ 22	Kabul	Field Support	Amir	1	A+	Zulfiqar Bhat	I			{7663B5EA-425E-4B17-B0AB-F33A2F99AF5A}
13th Wazir Akbar Khan, next to UNHCR Guesthouse	NA	799772577	KK 145	Kabul	Human Resources	*	1	O+	Zulfiqar Bhat	I			{EBC2545B-A584-42CF-A36E-B14A8B669E44}
						O+	Zulfiqar Bhat	I					{2F1F9D70-59B1-4C32-8534-0DDCF92D3DCB}
						O+	Zulfiqar Bhat	I					{EB55989C-4661-4930-BCE6-B12CC4DE7CF67}

Map View: Detailed satellite view of a coastal area, likely a port or industrial zone, showing buildings, roads, and water bodies.

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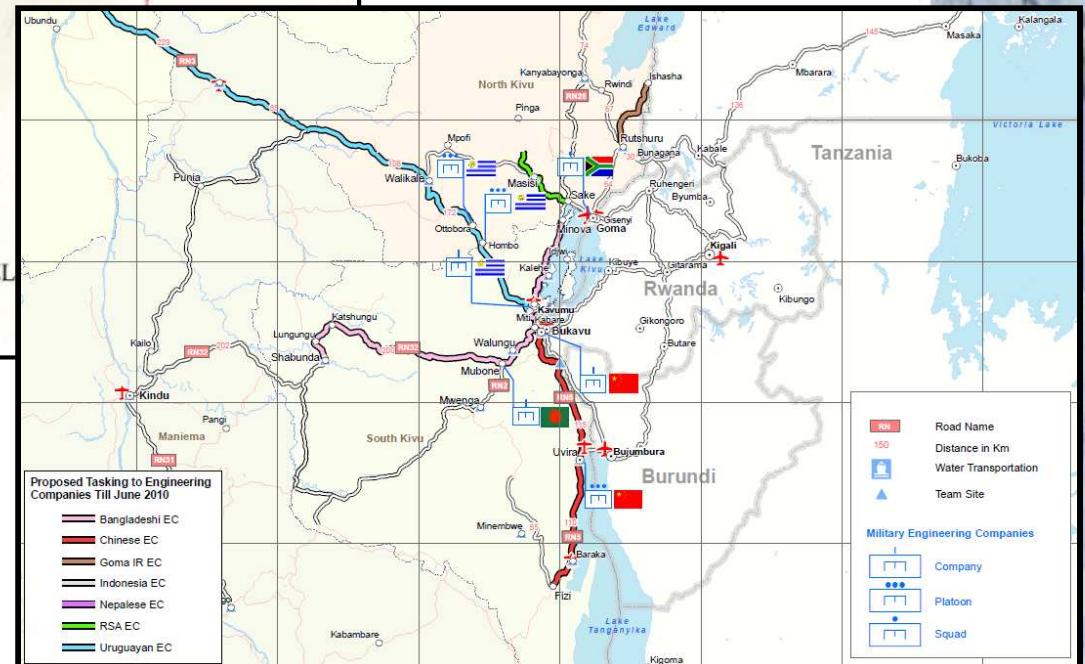
Security Incident Report (UNAMID)



Security incidents Analysis and
Reporting information System (SARS)

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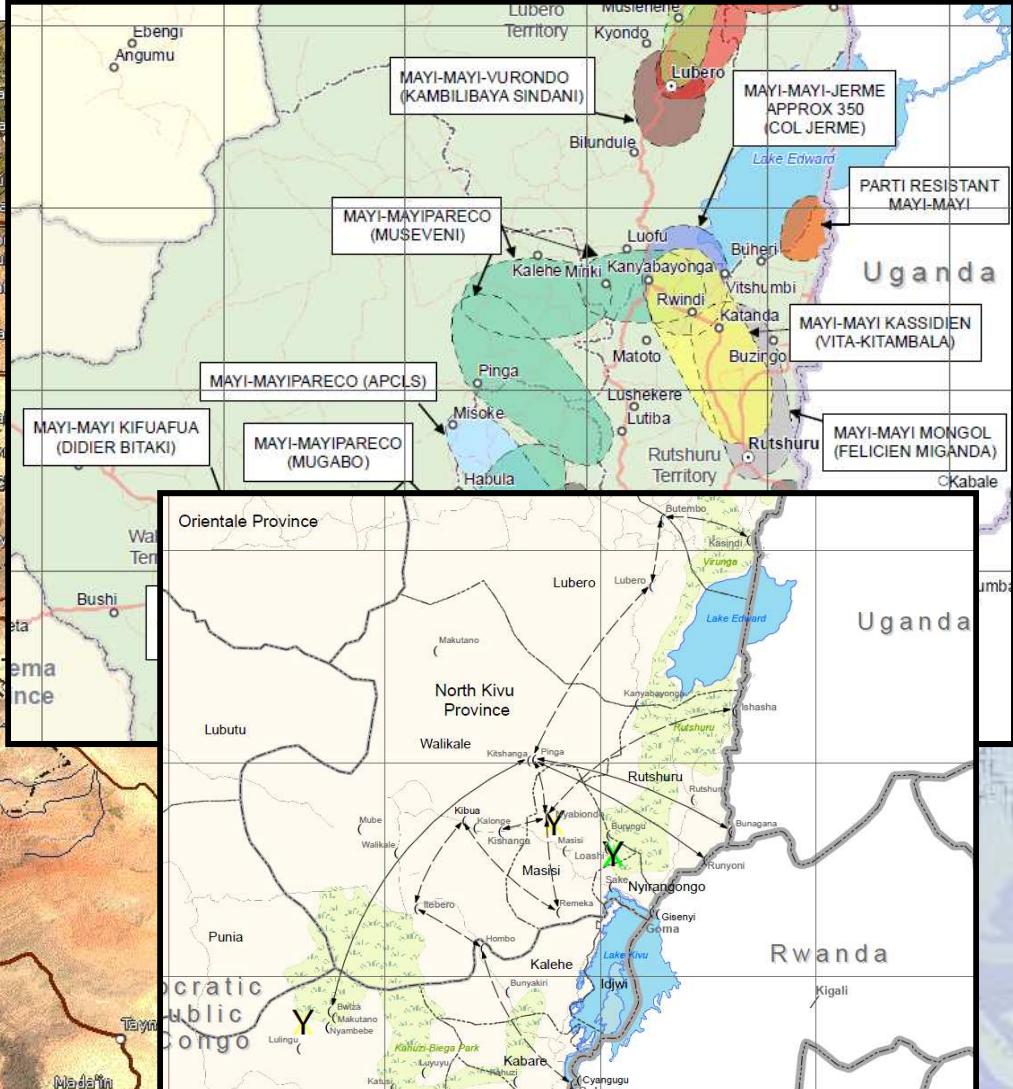
Security Incident Report (UNIFIL) & Tasking Plan (MONUSCO)





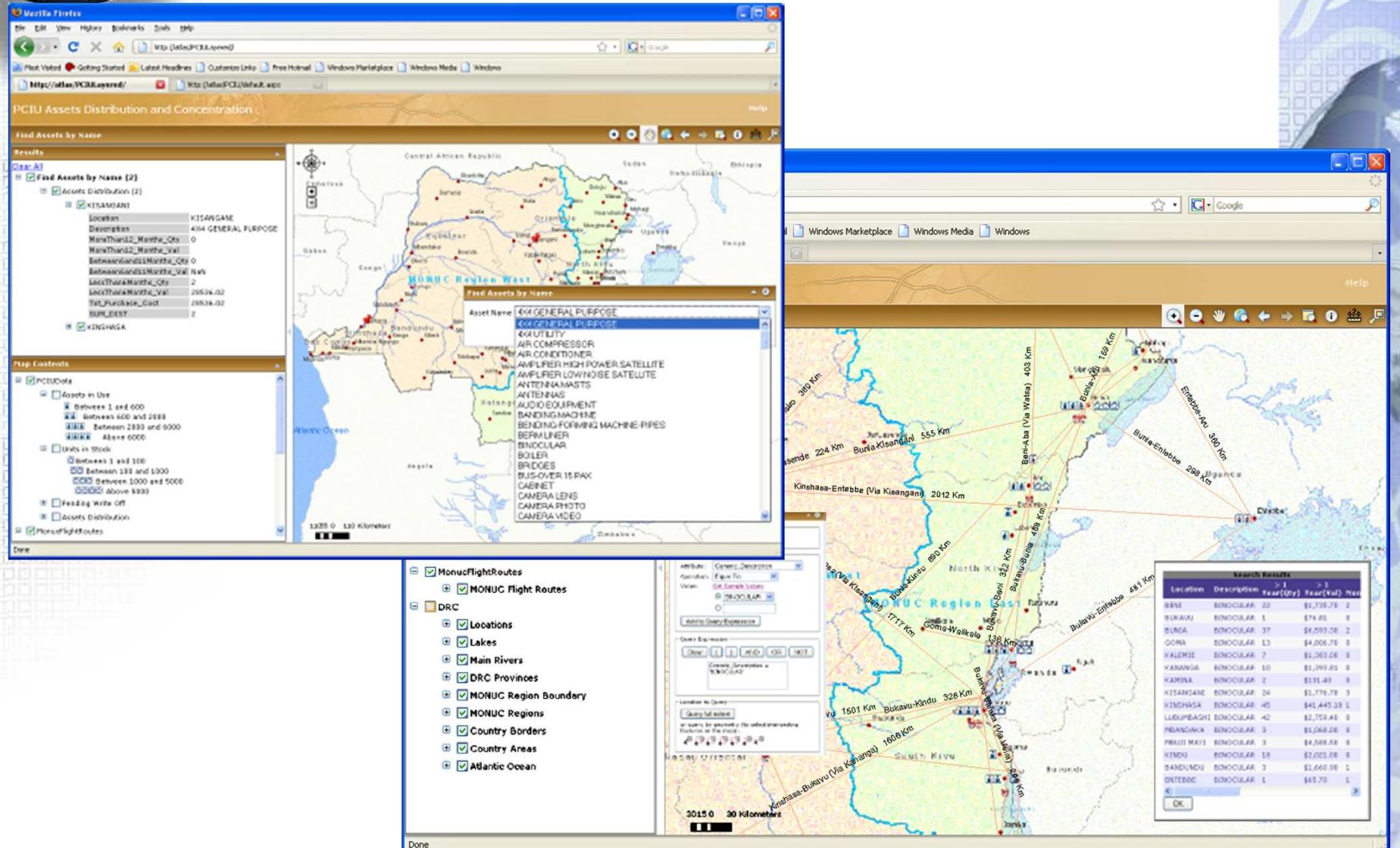
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Dashboard (UNHQ) & Situational Awareness (MONUSCO)



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ERP – Resource Management (MONUSCO)





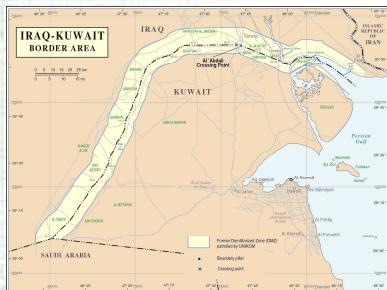
International Boundaries

- **Border demarcation**
 - . EEBC (Eritrea-Ethiopia)
 - . CNMC (Cameroon-Nigeria)
 - . IKBMP (Iraq-Kuwait)
 - . Blue Line (Lebanon-Israel)
 - . Green Line (Cyprus)
- **Technical assistance**
 - . AU Border Programme
 - . N-S Sudan Border demarcation
- **Capacity building**
 - . Boundary Information System
 - . Cooperation with major players

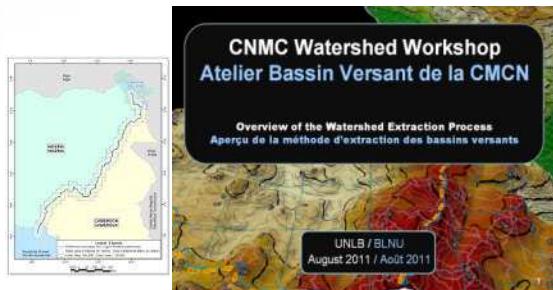


International Boundary Projects

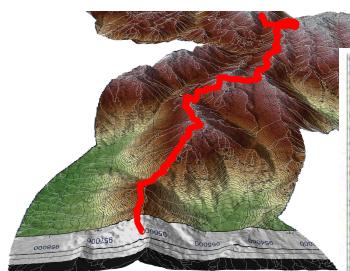
- Iraq-Kuwait Boundary Maintenance Project (IKBMP)
 - . IKBDC recommendation and Security Council Resolution 833 (1993)
 - . Initiated in September 2005 – entrenchment in October 2008
 - . Reactivation in May 2012, followed by Quick field assessment in June 2012
 - . IKBMP boundary maintenance completed in March 2013



- Cameroon-Nigeria Mixed Commission (CNMC)
 - . International Court of Justice's (ICJ) judgment on the boundary in 2002
 - . Initiated in 2003
 - . Watershed workshop in August 2011
 - . Final mapping request in 2013 → Workshop session in June 2013



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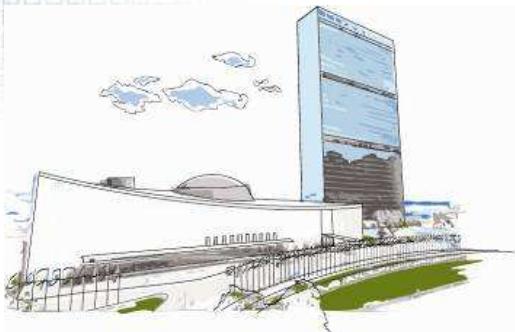


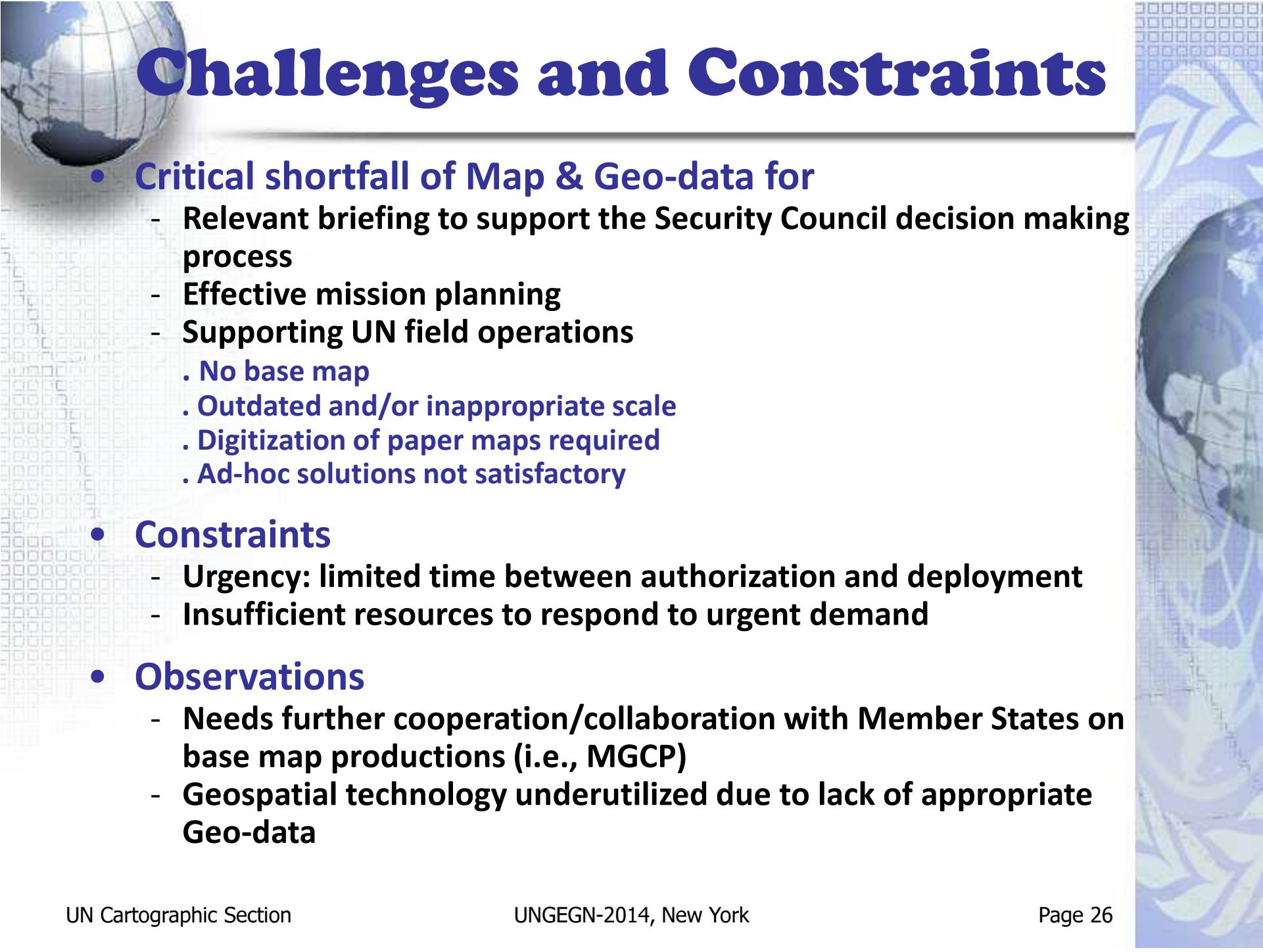
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Challenges to effectively support UN Operations





Challenges and Constraints

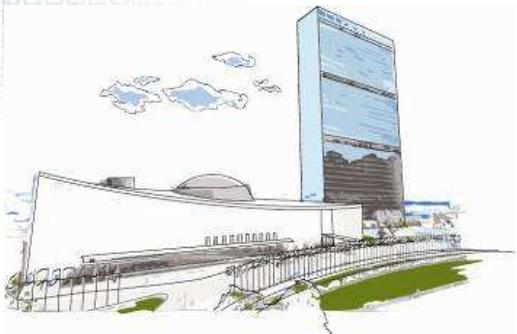
- **Critical shortfall of Map & Geo-data for**
 - Relevant briefing to support the Security Council decision making process
 - Effective mission planning
 - Supporting UN field operations
 - . No base map
 - . Outdated and/or inappropriate scale
 - . Digitization of paper maps required
 - . Ad-hoc solutions not satisfactory
- **Constraints**
 - Urgency: limited time between authorization and deployment
 - Insufficient resources to respond to urgent demand
- **Observations**
 - Needs further cooperation/collaboration with Member States on base map productions (i.e., MGCP)
 - Geospatial technology underutilized due to lack of appropriate Geo-data

Typical Challenges

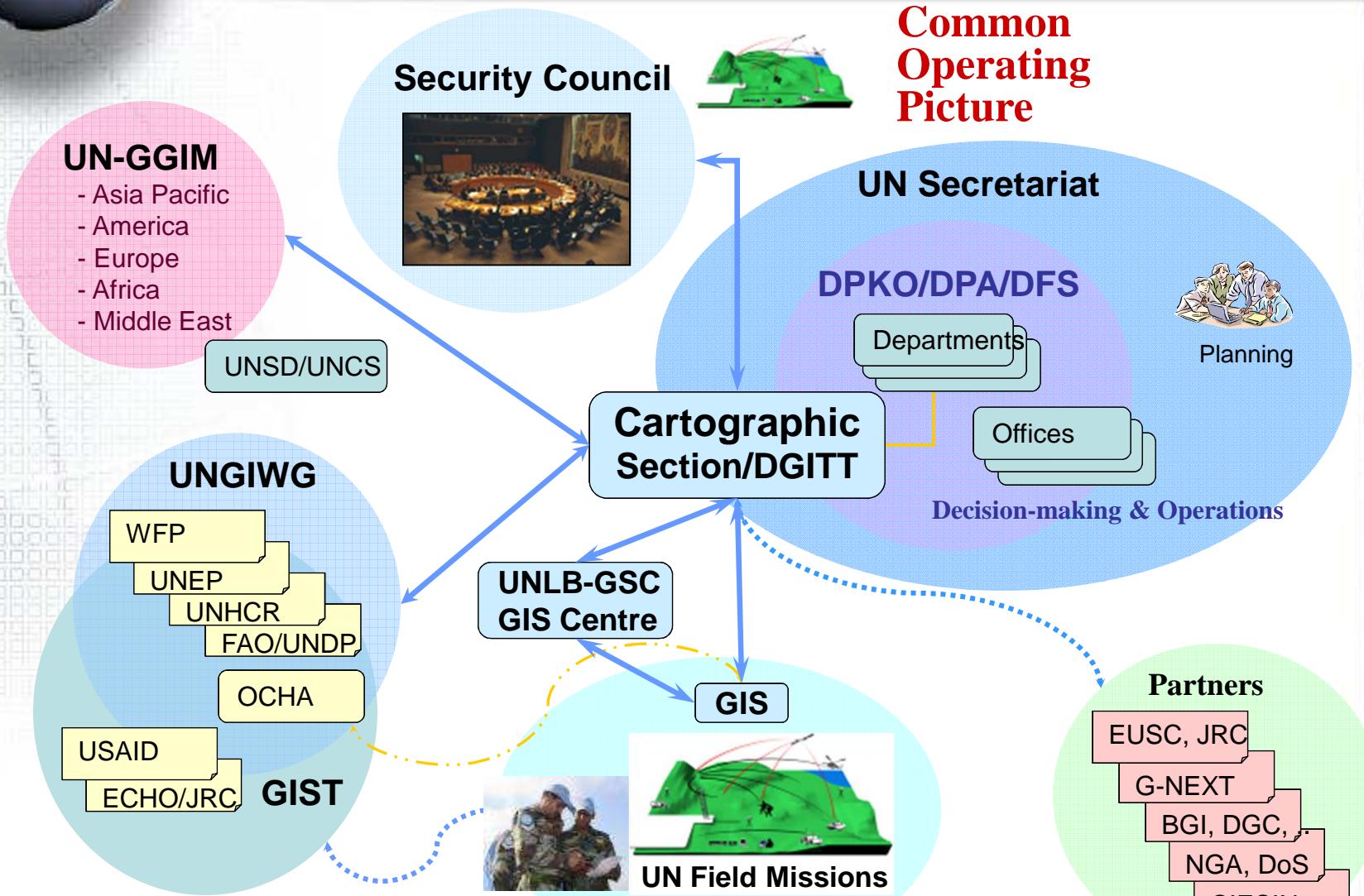
Gap analysis

Requirement	Map scale	Data Availability			
		Paper maps	Vector data	Digital elevation	Satellite imagery
Overview Strategic plan	1:1,000,000	ONC available - outdated	Vmap-0 avail, outdated	DEM/DTED-0 available	LandSat NaturalVue
Strategic & operational	1:500,000	TPC & Russian maps – outdated	Not available.	DEM/DTED-1 available	
Operational	1:200,000 1:250,000	JOG & Russian maps - outdated.	Vmap-1 partially available	DEM 30-90 meter	SRTM, SPOT, etc
Tactical	1:100,000	US & Russian maps partially avail, outdated.	Vmap-2 Not available		EROS, etc
MilObs/CivPol	1:50,000	Not existence.	MGCP data Not available	Not available	
City & Street	1:20,000	Not existence.		QuickBird IKONOS, etc	

Support Framework and Capacity Building



GIS Operational Concept



Global GIS infrastructure

3-tier: UNHQ–UNLB/GSC–Missions

Cartographic Section
UNHQ
Strategic Guidance
Policy & Planning
Collaboration
International Boundary

GIS Centre
UNLB/GSC
Map Production
Geo-Analysis & Services
Data Repository
GIS Training

1. Enterprise GIS system
2. UN Earth
3. UN Geo-database (UNmap)
4. UN Gazetteer
5. Satellite image database

Mission GIS
Day-to-Day Operations
Customized services
Data Collection
Terrain Analysis

UNmap is the institutional backbone of our daily cartographic and geographic operations

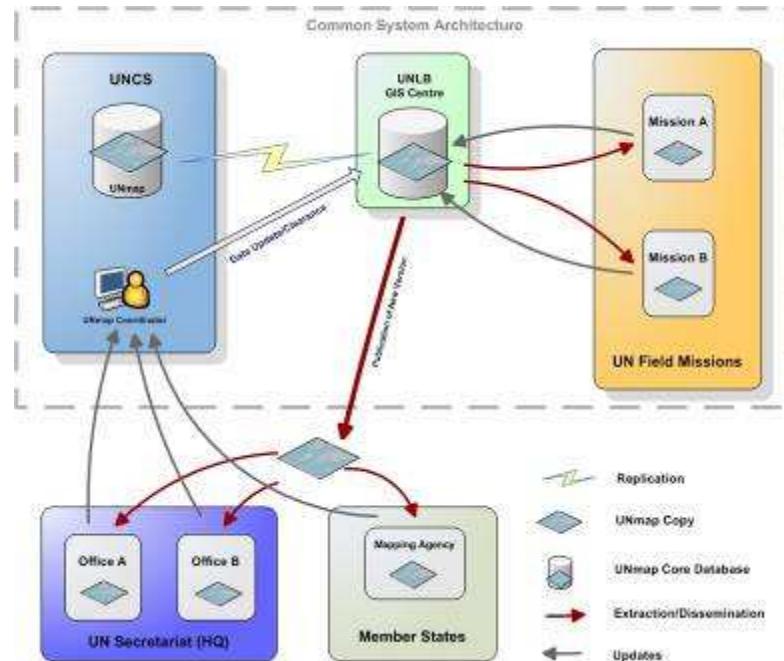
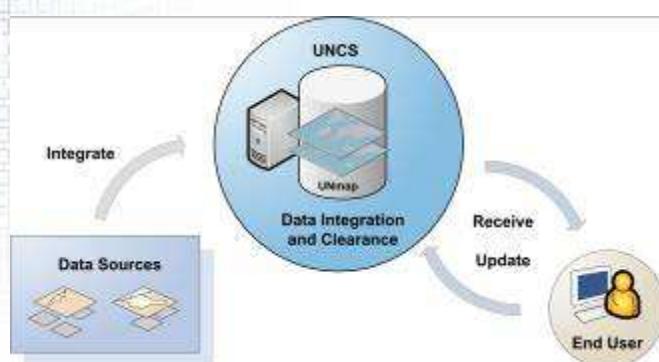
- **Vector Geo-Database**
- **Developed by UNCS & UN Peace Operations GIS community**
- **Various Scales to meet the operational needs**

Name	Scale
UNmap-X	1:10,000,000
UNmap-V	1:5,000,000
UNmap-0	1:1,000,000
UNmap-1	1:250,000
UNmap-2	1:50,000
UNmap-3	1:25,000
UNmap-4	1:12,500
UNmap-5	1:5,000



Where we want to go?

- Base for various scale mapping
- Web applications
- Serve UN specific needs
- Dissemination within UN-System
- Updated by UN users





International Boundary Information System

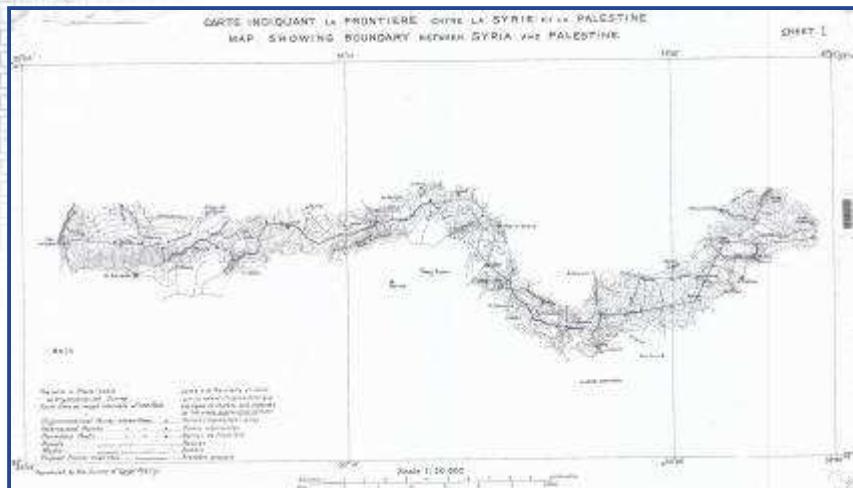
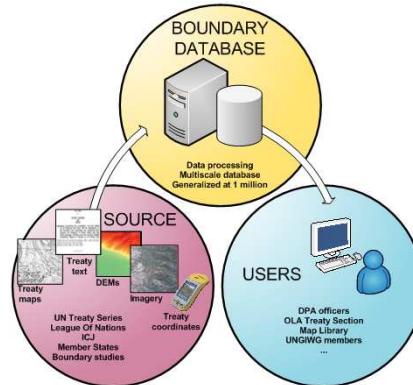
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UNCs United Nations Cartographic Section : International Boundaries

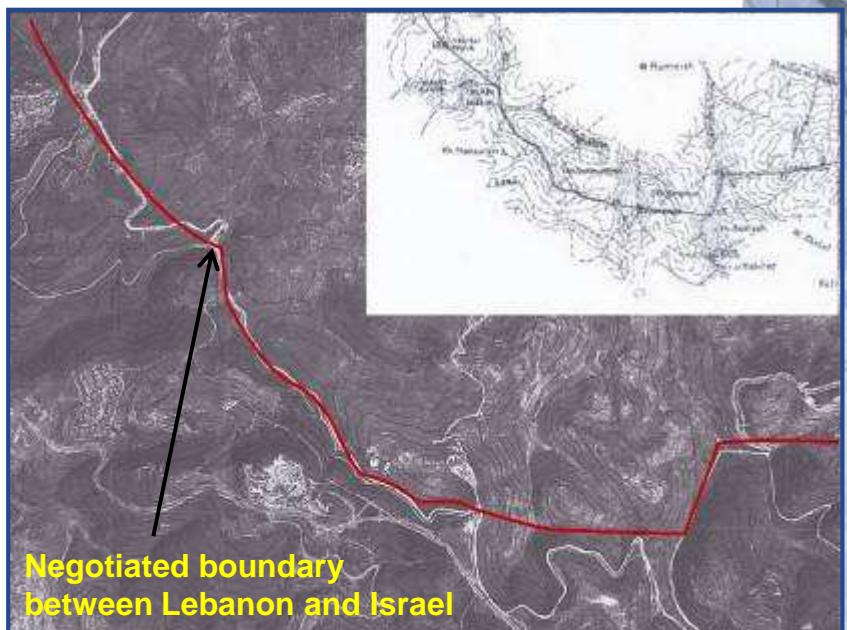
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SALB Second Administrative Level Boundaries



Historical map

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Ortho-imagery (QuickBird)

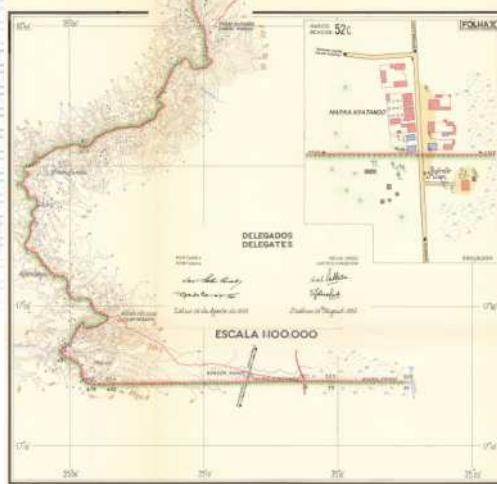
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International Boundary Information System

Satellite Imagery



Treaty Maps

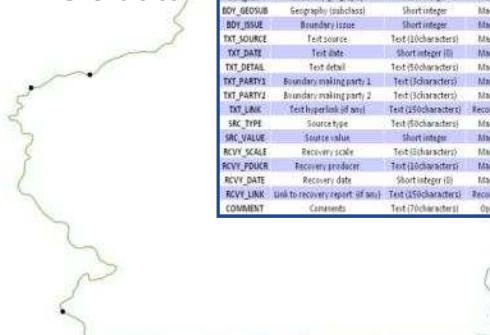
Treaty Text

United Nations — Treaty Series		1965
No.	Location	Aprox. distance from previous boundary meeting the watershed
44D	Between the Conjolo river in Mozambique and the Nyakamba river in Nyasaland	520 km.
45	On the highest point of the southern end of the Mwambwe Hill in Nyasaland	650 km.
45A	Between the Cacheiro river in Mozambique and the Lalame river in Nyasaland	400 km.
45B	1 kilometre west of the village named Tendo	470 km.
46	On the summit of Chirunda Hill	590 km.
46A	Between the Membo river in Mozambique and the Kasulu river in Nyasaland	530 km.
47	At a point 500 metres S.W. of Metangia Hill	240 km.
47A	On a small hill 1.9 kilometres S.W. of Nyombo Hill	690 km.
47B	On the highest point of the ridge 3.7 kilometres south of Nyombo Hill	320 km.
47C	Between the Nasali river in Mozambique and the Mwabvi river in Nyasaland	420 km.
47D	Between the Nasali river in Mozambique and the Mwabvi river in Nyasaland	210 km.
47E	Between the Nasali river in Mozambique and the Mwabvi river in Nyasaland	370 km.
47F	Between the Nasali river in Mozambique and the Mwabvi river in Nyasaland	540 km.
48	On the summit of Malaladi Hill	650 km.
49	On the summit of Kafalaengwa Hill	550 km.
50	On the summit of Chafata Hill	2410 km.
51	On the summit of Kafalaengwa Hill	380 km.
51A	On the summit of Kascre Hill	2330 km.

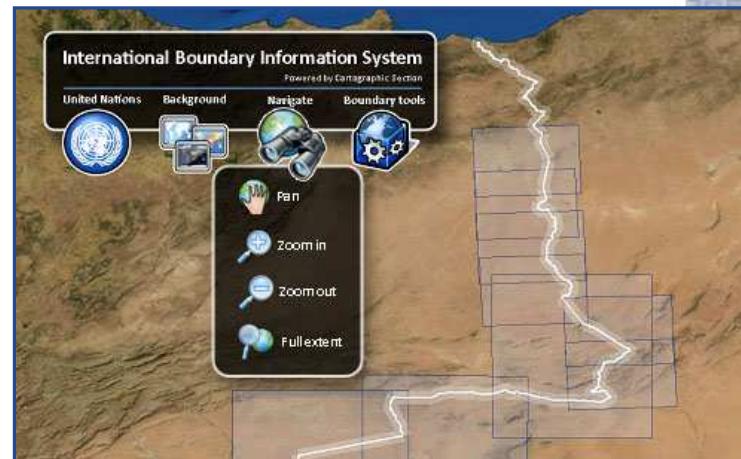
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Treaty Coordinates

GIS data



Visualisation





SALB

Second Administrative Level Boundaries
www.unsalb.org



SALB initiated by World Health Organization (WHO) under the UNGIWG in 2000. As of 2011, the function has been transferred to UN Secretariat (Statistics Division & Cartographic Section).

Objectives of SALB: collect, manage and disseminate administrative boundary data and information in coordination with National Mapping Agencies (NMAs)

- ⇒ Seamless administrative boundary maps and data since 2000
- ⇒ Coded historic changes of administrative boundary
- ⇒ Contact information of NMAs

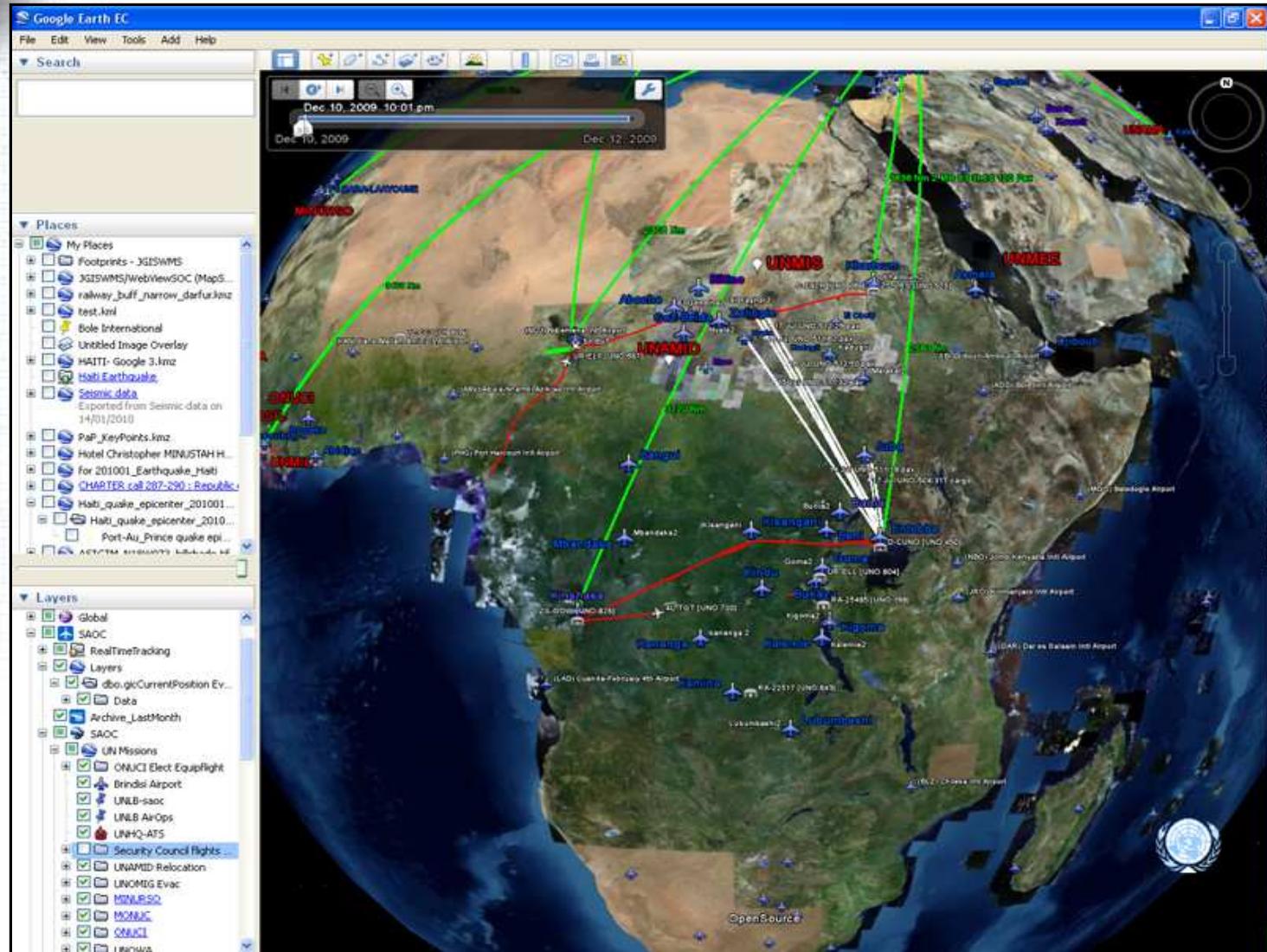


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The screenshot shows the SALB website's homepage. It features a search bar, a sidebar with links for Applications, Interactive resources, and Photo, and a main content area displaying a map of Iran with its second administrative level boundaries. The map is titled "IRAN (THE ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF), 2ND ADMINISTRATIVE LEVEL BOUNDARIES [THREESETS] 2003 - MARCH 2003". Below the map, there is descriptive text about the data set and a link to download it.



UN Earth



UN Gazetteer



JRC Gazetteer - Windows Internet Explorer
<http://jrc.jrc.ec.europa.eu/jrc/CommonGazetteer/>

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Search over 7,000,000 place names using a phonetic transcription of the place.
The search is spelling tolerant, with more emphasis on the vowels.

Find place: abeche

Search

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You can interactively explore the area around a place with the map on the right.
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Abéché, Préfecture du Guédéï, Chad ★★★★★
seat of a first-order administrative division
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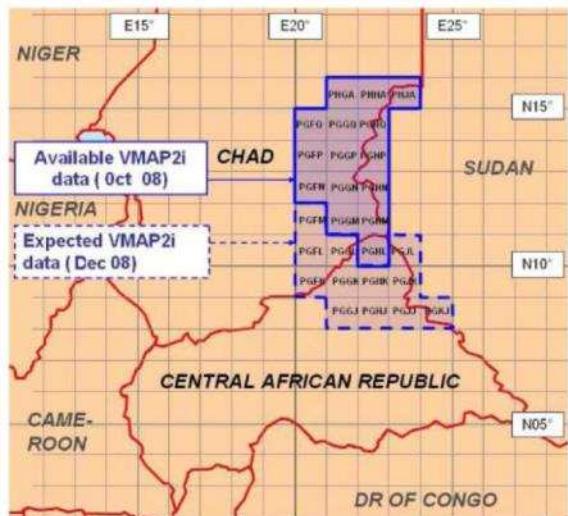
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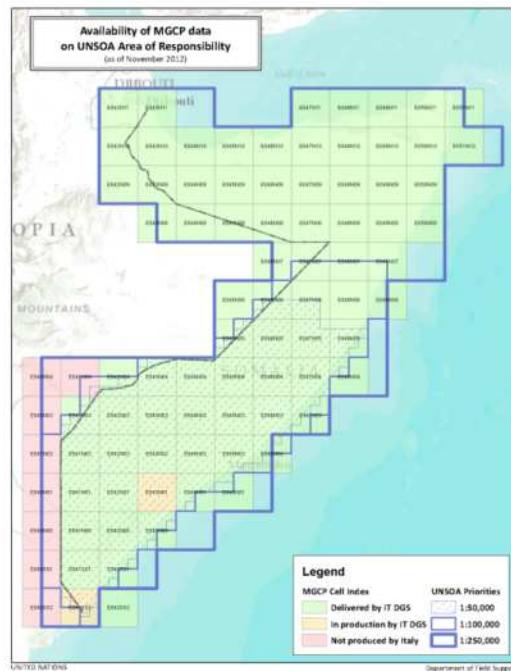
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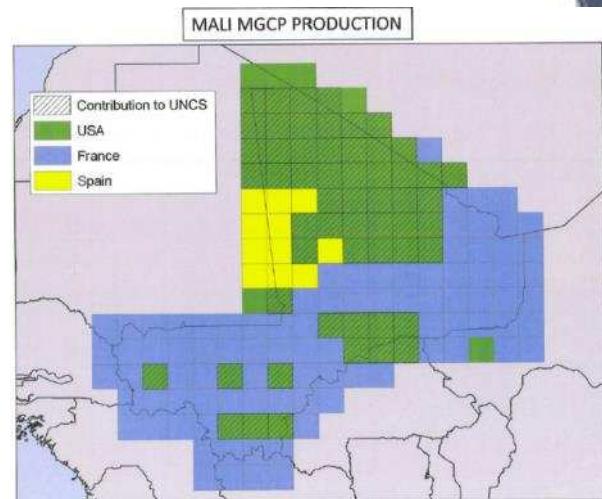
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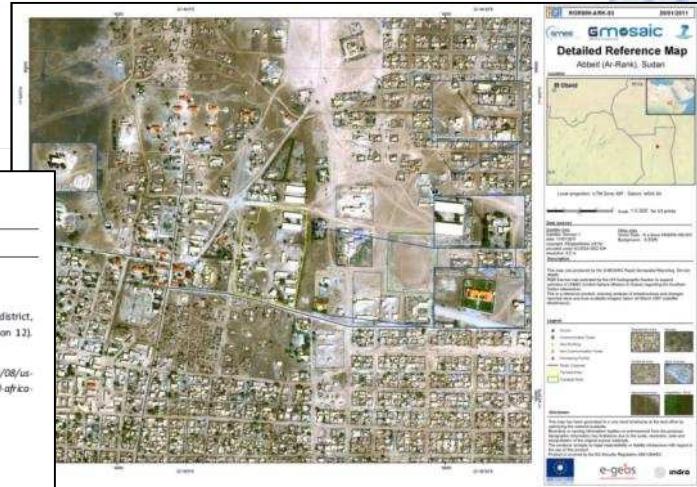
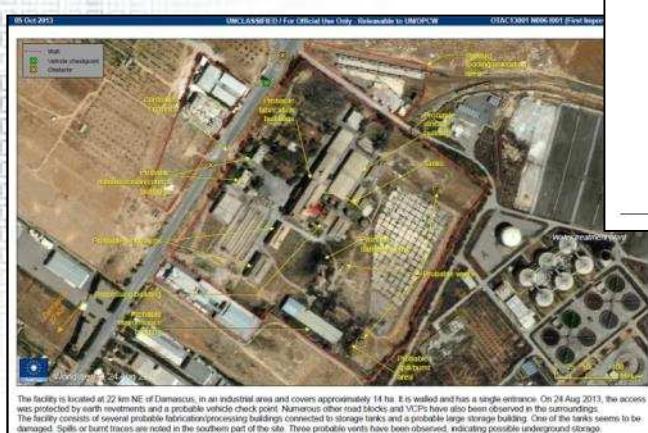
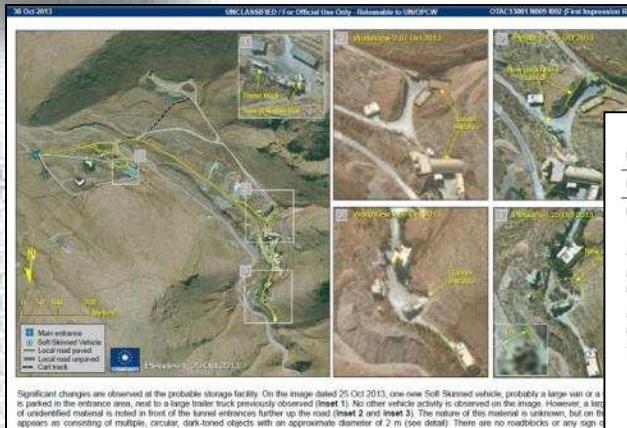


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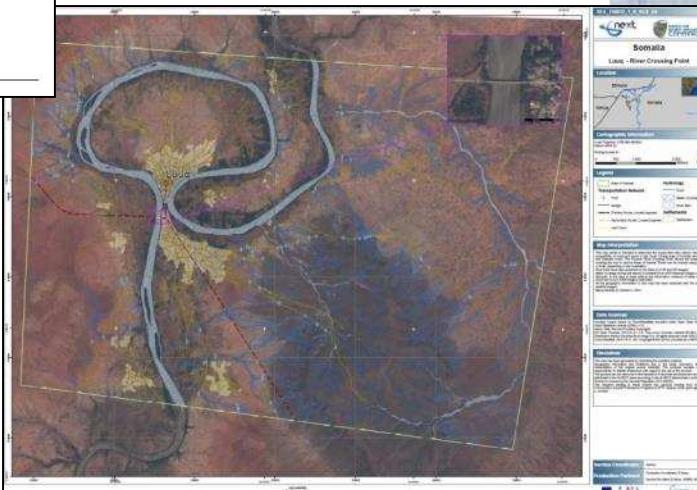
Strategic Partnerships

European Union



G-MOSAIC (2009 - 2011)

G-NEXT (start April 2013)



EU Satellite Centre
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UN-GGIM: A Global Initiative

Formal inter-governmental Committee of Experts to:

- Discuss, enhance and coordinate Global Geospatial Information Management activities by **involving Member States** at the highest level as key participants
- **Make joint decisions and set directions** on the use of geospatial information within national and global policy frameworks
- **Work with Governments** to improve policy, institutional arrangements, and legal frameworks
- **Address global issues and contribute collective knowledge** as a community with shared interests and concerns
- **Develop effective strategies** to build geospatial capacity in developing countries



Thank you



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