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**VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT NUMBER: UNSOS/FSA/024/2016  
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<b>DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS:</b>	<b>01 JUNE 2017</b>
<b>DATE OF ISSUANCE:</b>	<b>19 MAY 2017</b>
<b>FUNCTIONAL TITLE:</b>	<b>FIRE SAFETY ASSISTANT</b>
<b>SECTION:</b>	<b>SECURITY SECTION</b>
<b>LOCATION:</b>	<b>MOGADISHU, SOMALIA</b>
<b>TYPE OF CONTRACT:</b>	<b>INDIVIDUAL CONTRACTOR (INTERNATIONAL)</b>
<b>DURATION OF CONTRACT</b>	<b>1-9 MONTHS</b>
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**Special Notice:**

Interested applicants who are working with UNSOS/UNSOM Contractors must fulfil the obligations of their contracts with the UN Contractors in order to be eligible to apply for this vacancy.

**Organizational Settings and Reporting Relationships:**

This position is located in Somalia and the Fire Safety Assistant reports to the Mission Fire Officer (MFO) Officer.

**Back ground:**

The Fire Safety Assistant (Contractor) is a critical support function for the Security Fire Unit. The UNSOM/UNSOS Security Fire Unit is the only available body for the UNSOM/UNSOS and AMISOM Missions to be able to provide technical and practical prevention and intervention processes.

**Responsibilities:**

Within the delegated authority and under the direction of the Mission Fire Officer (MFO) the Fire Safety Assistant is responsible for:

- Assists the Officer in Charge of the Fire Unit in the effective management of a 24/7 Fire Brigade capable of bringing fire situations to successful conclusions;
- Assists the Officer in Charge of the Fire Unit in the management of all aspects of fire safety;
- Develops and delivers training packages in the use and operation of fire service equipment.
- Participates in operational fire training.
- Provides guidance and support on maintenance of operational equipment for fire or rescue intervention
- Implements Fire Safety Plan and Emergency Evacuation Plan.
- Coordinates with mission's facilities personnel, on fire safety issues.

- Conducts regular fire risk assessments and fire safety inspections; reports all shortcomings and makes recommendations aimed at implementing measures to correct the weaknesses and bring the premises/facilities to international fire safety standards.
- Maintains workable liaison with Fire Wardens.
- Conducts fire safety awareness briefings and training as assigned.
- Participate in fire prevention training.
- Performs any other fire safety/ fire response related duties as directed.

**Results Expected:** Effective administration and coordination of a fire safety system that is capable to enable United Nations activities, while ensuring the safety and well-being of personnel and a safe working environment within United Nations premises and assets.

Work implies frequent interaction with the following: Project Managers and other project personnel; Security personnel; Fire Safety Officers in other UN bodies; Local fire safety officials; Fire safety officers of other national and international organizations

### **Competencies:**

**Professionalism:** Excellent knowledge in the field of fire rescue, fire rescue command, fire safety enforcement or disaster management, combined with a solid background in a Municipal Fire Brigade or a directly related field. Well-developed ability to identify fire safety hazards, evaluate the risks and subsequently determine effective and reasonable risk management measures. Capability to develop, implement, manage and coordinate fire safety risk management programs, concepts, systems and efforts. Shows pride in his/ her 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. Takes responsibility for incorporating gender perspectives and ensuring the equal participation of women and men in all areas of work. Strong research skills, including the ability to evaluate and integrate information from a variety of sources.

**Communication:** Speaks and writes clearly and effectively; Listens to others, correctly interprets messages from others and responds appropriately; Asks questions to clarify, and exhibits interest in having two-way communication; Tailors language, tone, style, and format to match the audience; Demonstrates openness in sharing information and keeping people informed.

**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; Builds consensus for task purpose and direction with team members; Supports and acts in accordance with final group decisions, even when such decisions may not entirely reflect own position; Shares credit for team accomplishments and accepts joint responsibility for team shortcomings.

### **QUALIFICATIONS:**

**Education:** High school diploma or equivalent technical or vocational certificate; Certificate from a Fire College or Fire Brigade School for the position of Fire Fighter is required. Certificates for Breathing Apparatus, Fire and Rescue Command and Control and Hazardous Materials from a Fire College or Fire Brigade School is required. Certificate from Fire College, Fire Brigade School, and Fire Training Centre for position of Fire Safety Officer, or equivalent is desirable. Nationally recognized heavy goods license equivalent for the driving and operation of heavy goods vehicles is required.

**Work Experience:** A minimum of six years with high school diploma of progressively increasing responsibility within in a Municipal Fire Department or Fire Safety Unit is required; of which At least two years' experience and exposure at the international level in a fire safety enforcement position is desirable.

**Desirable Experience:** Internationally recognized instructor qualification in the use of self-contained breathing apparatus. Breathing apparatus maintenance qualification from Scott Breathing Apparatus Internationally recognized qualification in specialist rescue skills, such as rope rescue, water rescue, or collapsed structure rescue. Experience in drafting Fire Safety Plan and Emergency Evacuation Plan, conduct fire risk assessments and fire safety inspections, conduct periodic maintenance of fire safety and firefighting systems, organize Fire Warden System, coordinate basic fire prevention training, prepare fire safety awareness briefing, organize fire drill rehearsals, compliance with international fire safety standards.

**Languages:** English and French are the working languages of the United Nations Secretariat. For the position advertised, fluency in oral and written English is required. Knowledge of another UN official languages is an advantage.

**Assessment:** Evaluation of qualified candidates may include an assessment exercise which may be followed by competency based interview.

**How to Apply:**

Qualified candidates may submit their applications including their United Nations Personal History form (P.11) to the address mentioned below on or before the deadline. The P.11 is on the <https://unsos.unmissions.org/jobs>. Applications submitted after the deadline **01 JUNE 2017** will not be accepted. CVs will not be accepted.

**Email:** [recruitment-unsoa@un.org](mailto:recruitment-unsoa@un.org)

**Please quote, Vacancy Announcement Number and Functional Title in the subject of the e-mail**

**A copy of P11 to be attached.**

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