

**Remarks by Hon. Manbir Rai,**  
**Minister of Defence of Nepal at**  
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**Berlin, Germany**

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**Mr. Chair,**  
**Your Excellency Secretary General of the United Nations,**  
**Honourable Ministers, and**  
**Distinguished Delegates**

1. It is a great honour to represent Nepal at this significant Ministerial Meeting 2025, and extend my sincere appreciation to the United Nations and the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany for hosting this important meeting.
2. Nepal has always been a strong advocate and supporter of global peace and it has been contributing its troops to UN peacekeeping missions since 1958. Currently, leading the table of the Troop-Contributing Countries. We take pride in the fact that Nepal is currently the largest troop and police contributing country with more than six thousand troops in eleven different missions.
3. Nepal firmly supports United Nations-led initiatives aimed at enhancing the effectiveness of peacekeeping missions, as well as on-going efforts to reform and strengthen peace operations.
4. In order to address the challenges facing peace operations, Nepal accords utmost importance to pre-deployment training and other operational preparations, so as to enable our peacekeepers to fulfil the mission mandates.

5. Nepal is ready to organize the RDL workshop as well as the revised Specialized Training of Trainers courses in 2026 and 2027.

6. Nepal has consistently been deploying peacekeepers without caveats. We would like to reaffirm that Nepal stands ready to contribute up to **ten thousand** peacekeepers upon the request of the UN. Furthermore, from this year, Nepal pledges to elevate additional military and police units to the RDL.

**Mr. Chair,**

7. Nepal has given utmost importance for the participation of women in UN peacekeeping missions, in its efforts to contribute to global peace and security. We will continue contributing to the Trust Fund for victims of Sexual Exploitation and Abuse.

8. To conclude, Nepal calls upon everyone to unite and work together to make UN peacekeeping stronger, safer and more effective for the millions of people who aspire for peace around the world.

**Thank you, Mr Chair.**