

BRAZIL & UN PEACEKEEPING

History

Brazil has engaged in United Nations (UN)-mandated peacekeeping operations since **1956**. Since then, it has contributed to roughly **50** peacekeeping missions and more than **33,000** military officials, police officers and civilians.

Active Missions

Brazil is currently contributing to **9** active UN peacekeeping missions.

MINURSO (Western Sahara)
MINUSTAH (Haiti)
UNFICYP (Cyprus)
UNIFIL (Lebanon)

MINUSCO (Democratic Republic of Congo)
UNISFA (Abyei)
UNMIL (Liberia)
UNMISS (South Sudan)
UNOCI (Côte d'Ivoire)

A Brazilian Peacekeeping Model?

In 2004, Brazil took charge of the UN peacekeeping mission in Haiti, MINUSTAH. As mission leader, Brazil adopted a model of peacekeeping based on **solidarity**, **demand-driven cooperation**, **non-conditionality**, and **non-interference**.

This Brazilian model of peacekeeping evolved from Brazil's foreign policy traditions, as well as its domestic experience with pacification in favelas and with organized crime.

A number of countries and the UN have praised Brazil's approach to peacekeeping; however, they also critique Brazil's tendency to only contribute to missions that fit its strategic agenda.

