GOLAN HEIGHTS / LEBANON

United Nations Truce Supervision Organisation (UNTSO)

**Personnel: Up to 8**

UNTSO is the United Nations' oldest peacekeeping operation, and is an important and visible mission to help preserve peace between Israel and its neighbours. The New Zealand Defence Force has been a longstanding contributor since 1954 through the monitoring role played by up to eight military observers based in the Golan Heights and Lebanon. Their tasks include patrolling and monitoring ceasefires and military activity within the region. New Zealand is continuing to support conflict prevention through the mission. It is our largest current contribution to a United Nations-led peacekeeping mission.

The mandate for this deployment expires on **30 September 2020**.

For more information about UNTSO go to: [https://unts.unmissions.org/](https://unts.unmissions.org/) (external link).

Copies of a Cabinet paper and associated minute of decision regarding the contribution are linked in the Deployment Articles section below.

**DEPLOYMENT ARTICLES**

**RELEASE OF CABINET DOCUMENTS REGARDING SEPTEMBER 2018 DECISIONS TO EXTEND DEPLOYMENTS**