

**Vacancy Announcement**

**The United Nations Office for West Africa / Cameroon Nigeria Mixed Commission (UNOWA/CNMC) is looking for a highly motivated, team player and result oriented person to serve as: UN Civilian Observer to the CNMC
Specialty: Socio-economic**

Title Consultant	UN Civilian Observer to the Cameroon Nigeria Mixed Commission
Number of posts	01
Type of contract	Appointment for Limited Duration
Grade	Consultant
Category	Consultant
Duration	9 months contract – (renewable limited to 2 years)
Monthly payment	US\$ 8,200
Duty station	Yaounde, Calabar
Unit/Section	UNOWA/CNMC
Issuing date	01/04/2011
Closing date	15/04/2011

Duties and Terms of Reference

Under the overall guidance of the Special Representative of the UN Secretary-General (SRSG), and Chairman of Nigeria and Cameroon Mixed Commission and the supervision of the Coordinator of Civilian Observer, the Civilian Observer on socio-economic will be responsible for the following duties:

The mandate of the Mixed Commission on Cameroon and Nigeria is to ensure the peaceful implementation of the judgment of the ICJ and to prevent related tension between Cameroon and Nigeria from escalating into conflict.

UNOWA is entrusted with the overall mandate of enhancing the contributions of the UN towards the achievement of peace and security in West Africa. This includes governance, mainstreaming security sector reform into development strategies, defining an integrated sub regional approach to humanitarian, human rights and gender issues, curbing corruption, poverty alleviation, addressing youth unemployment as well as cross-border illicit trafficking and organized crime. These emerging destabilizing issues can be considered as new threats to security.

- Lead or participate in the formulation, organization and management of mandated programmes of economic analysis and the formulation of possible economic strategies, policies and actions relating to the work of the Mixed Commission and UNOWA;
- Developing projects to promote joint economic ventures and cross-border cooperation etc.
- Analyzing and assessing the implications of the ICJ decision including the need to protect the rights of the affected population in both countries; prepare analytical reports including recommendations on solutions and/or possible action.
- Assist in the development of additional confidence-building measures, including liaising with and coordinating meetings, on a regular basis, between UN agencies, local authorities, representative of the Mixed Commission, NGOs.



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- Lead or participate in the identification of new or emerging development issues of potential concern to the international community, particularly those of a regional or global nature, and design and develop programmes to address them;
 - Conceive, plan and manage expert group meetings, seminars and similar consultations that contribute to the finalization of the work office's outputs; prepare advisory meetings with the parties on national development and environmental initiatives in the Bakassi peninsula.
 - Finalize reports on socio-economic and development for submission to the CNMC and UNOWA;
 - Identify and follow up community development projects in Cameroon and Nigeria.
 - Participate, develop and support project evaluations, including data collection design, tools, and implementation; data analysis and qualitative assessments.
 - Regularly produce reports documenting assistance to the affected population and Cameroon and Nigeria development projects along the land boundary and in Bakassi.
 - Provide up-to-date information to senior officials and colleagues, regarding substantive economic matters and country or regional issues and make recommendations on actions to take.
 - Maintain contacts with other sectors of the UN, other international organizations and governments on coordination and policy matters; brief representatives and provide, as appropriate suggestions and recommendations.
 - Perform other related duties as required.

Work implies frequent interaction with the following:

- Representatives of the Mixed Commission and of the Governments of Cameroon and Nigeria
- Staff of specialized agencies, representatives of non-governmental organizations, regional intergovernmental organizations, academic institutions, delegations etc.

Results Expected

- Daily, weekly and monthly reports on the situation in Nigeria and Cameroun and the relationship between them and with other neighbors, emphasizing the aspects that could have impact on the implementation of the ICJ ruling, as well as aspect that could have impact on West Africa sub region and all other items considered relevant according to the mandate of UNOWA and CNMC.
- Provide and counsel senior officials with well-analyzed, concise information and recommendations as to appropriate action to be taken; propose solutions, action, consultation and positions to solve problems.

Competencies:

- **Professionalism** – Demonstrated ability to complete in-depth studies and reach conclusions on possible causes and solutions to political problems in specific areas and/or countries; ability to relate various issues and perspectives to, socio-economic and humanitarian programmes in affected countries and areas.
- **Leadership** – Skill in overseeing work of more junior staff in and on mission, report writing and research work; proven negotiating skills.
- **Planning and organizing** – Proven ability to plan and organize own work and that of others.
- **Communications** – Proven ability to write in a clear and concise manner and to communicate orally effectively.
- **Technology awareness** – Good computer skills.
- **Teamwork** – Ability to interact and to establish and maintain effective working relationships both as a team member and team leader, with people in a multi-cultural, multi-ethnic environment with sensitivity and respect for diversity.

**Qualifications:**

- Education:** Advanced University Degree (Masters or equivalent), preferably, economic, public administration or related fields or a combination of professional training and certification and experience.
- Experience:** At least 7 years in economic, development or humanitarian work at national and international levels, and more specifically in the region of assignment. Experience in missions and/or prior work in operations.
- Language:** Proficiency in either English or French, with knowledge of the other.

Other Skills

Thorough knowledge of the practices and procedures of UN organizations; excellent computer skills.

Application

Applicants meeting the above qualifications are requested to submit the following only:

1. Cover letter, a one-page Statement of Interest explaining why you consider yourself qualified and motivated for this particular position
2. Curriculum Vitae (CV) or completed P-11
3. Certified Copy of Diplomas and Degrees

Note: Before applying for the post, we kindly request candidates to carefully review the VA to ensure that they meet the Minimum requirement

Please email your application to:

lva@un.org or unowao@un.org

Post it to UNOWA at

23851 Dakar Ponty

Note: Please indicate the vacancy title & number

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