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Reviews

This book covers a long-felt need for examining the subject of peacekeeping from the Pakistani point of view. It gives voice to Pakistani scholars and practitioners on a subject that now constitutes an important tenet of Pakistan's foreign policy. This book not only traces Pakistan's involvement in peacekeeping from 1960 onwards, it also highlights the evolution and emerging trends in this aspect of military diplomacy. This book should be compulsory reading for all peacekeepers, both civilian and military.

– Lt-Gen Sikander Afzal HI(M) (retd),
Force Commander UN Forces in Liberia 2009-2010, mentor
for new force commanders 2011-2013

Peacekeeping has evolved over the years into a complex and intricate operation. It requires elaborate planning right from the moment the UN Security Council agrees to deploy troops on ground in a conflict zone. Pakistan has earned high praise for its professionalism and commitment in all departments of peacekeeping. This book has been put together under the auspices of the Centre for International Peace & Stability, which is recognized by the UN as the leading peacekeeping training school. I thoroughly recommend this work as a textbook for peacekeeping.

– Lt-Gen Maqsood Ahmed HI(M) (retd),
Military Adviser for UN Peacekeeping Operations 2013-2015

As a veteran peacekeeper, I see great merit in this edited book because it has placed together a series of essays on peacekeeping written by Pakistani authors. The book's value is enhanced because it has been produced from the platform of Centre for International Peace & Stability. This book not only provides good background reading for prospective

peacekeepers, but also is an incentive for them to share their experiences with the peacekeeping community.

– **Maj-Gen Anis A. Bajwa HI(M) (retd)**,
Member of UN Advisory Group for Peacebuilding, UN
Secretary General’s Deputy Special Representative in East
Timor, Inspector General for Peacekeeping and Director of
Policy, Evaluation and Training, UNHQ, New York

Peacekeeping is a creative response by the UN for meeting its fundamental responsibility to maintain international peace and security. Over the years, peacekeeping operations have evolved from passive unarmed observers to kinetic actors carrying out multifarious governance and development activities, increasingly in partnership with relevant regional organizations. Pakistan, as a responsible member of the UN, has been an active contributor to this widely acclaimed UN flagship activity. This book, through clinical research, illustrates the genesis and evolution of UN peacekeeping and Pakistan’s laudable role in the process, showcasing the skills, courage and professionalism of its participating armed and civilian components. The Centre for International Peace & Stability deserves appreciation for this valuable effort, underlining the continuum of preventive diplomacy, peacekeeping, peacebuilding and conflict resolution.

– **Ambassador (retd) Khalid Mahmood**,
Chairman, Board of Governors, Institute of Strategic Studies
Islamabad

‘International Peacekeeping: Perspectives from Pakistan’ is an interesting tale of UN peacekeeping. A captivating book that elaborates the philosophy and fundamentals underpinning UN peacekeeping, its evolution and the Pakistani perspective and its key role as a major troop contributor. Along with that, it takes the reader through the ideas and experiences of peacekeepers and academics on a wide range of subjects and issues relating

to peacekeeping. Indeed, a stimulating reading for practitioners, academics and researchers alike.

– **Ambassador (retd) Muhammad Haroon Shaukat**

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