



PERMANENT MISSION OF NIGERIA, UNITED NATIONS DEPARTMENT OF PEACE OPERATIONS POLICE DIVISION AND INTERPOL
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*SIDE EVENT ON THE NEXUS BETWEEN CLIMATE CHANGE, ORGANIZED CRIME, TERROR AND FRAGILITY:
GLOBAL POLICING AND THE 2030 AGENDA FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT*

MONDAY, 23 SEPTEMBER 2019, 3:00 – 4:30 PM
CONFERENCE ROOM E, UN SECRETARIAT

Speakers

H.E. Dr. Mohammad Mahmoud Abubakar, Minister of Environment, Nigeria

H.E. Mr. Jürgen Stock, INTERPOL Secretary-General

Commissioner Luis Carrilho, United Nations Police Adviser

Ms. Summer Walker, New York Representative, Global Initiative against TOC (moderator)

The **2030 Agenda** recognizes that there can be no sustainable development without peace and security, and no peace and security without sustainable development. **Climate change** poses one of the greatest challenges to these mutually reinforcing objectives and must be seen through an **intersectional lens**. Efforts to address climate change must consider **human and environmental security**, including **environmental crime** and the role of **organized crime**. As global temperatures rise, conflicts stemming from **drought, desertification, land degradation** and **food insecurity** are increasing. People leaving their homes to flee these crises often compete with local populations for scarce resources, exacerbating **inter-communal tensions**. The loss of arable land and livelihoods leaves youth more vulnerable to **recruitment and radicalization by armed groups** or **victimization by organized criminals**, while fewer socioeconomic opportunities leads to more **exploitation of natural resources**.

Accelerating the 2030 Agenda, particularly **SDG 16 on peace, justice, and strong institutions**, is critical for the UN, INTERPOL and their Member States. The Security Council has noted the **adverse effects of climate change on stability** in many contexts that host both UN peace operations and INTERPOL National Central Bureaus, including the **Lake Chad Basin, Somalia, West Africa and the Sahel** and **Sudan**. On the occasion of the 74th session of the General Assembly, when Secretary-General Antonio Guterres will convene a **Climate Summit**, and the **10th anniversary of the Cooperation Agreement** between the UN Department of Peace Operations and INTERPOL, this panel discussion will explore the intersectionality between **climate change and security**. It aims to identify innovative ways in which the UN Police, INTERPOL and affected countries can mitigate the associated **transnational threats** to achieving peace and security, while contributing to the realization of the 2030 Agenda and **INTERPOL's Global Policing Goals**.

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