

# Podcast: Peacekeeping and protection in South Sudan

7 December 2017 – Defending the vulnerable from attack is one of the important duties of a UN peacekeeper, but what do you do when you come across a secret safe that may contain weapons, hidden away in a camp designed to protect civilians?

That's one of the real-life dilemmas facing a UN police patrol in this [latest edition](#) of our podcast series from *UN News*, 'The Lid Is On.'

We'll be taking you inside one of the Protection of Civilian sites, where thousands of South Sudanese civilians have been sheltering during years of conflict, under the watchful eye of UN 'blue helmets,' as peacekeepers are widely known, from countries across the world.

Daniel Dickinson has been working as the Spokesperson for the UN Mission in the country, known as [UNMISS](#), since early this year, and we asked him to report on the behind-the-scenes work that its troops and police get involved in every day, to try and ease the suffering of the world's youngest nation.

**AUDIO:** Peacekeeping and protection in South Sudan.