



Highlights

Due to the rainy season, which impacts mobility within the Abyei area, mine action activities have been limited.

One Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) Response Team remains on standby to respond to emergency mine action activities from 1 July to 30 September 2024

All recovered explosive ordnance was successfully destroyed by UNMAS.



Safety briefing session in Aldaier



Safety induction training in Marial Achak

Stats **AUGUST 2024**

210 Newly arrived uniformed and civilian members of UNISFA received safety induction briefing

3,345 Square meters of land assessed and made safe from explosive hazards

13 Ground monitoring missions supported by UNMAS ensured full implementation of the JBVMM mandate

52 Explosive ordnance risk education sessions provided within the Abyei area

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In August, UNMAS responded to a report regarding ammunition discovered by a local worker during renovation activities at the GOAL (international NGO) compound in Abyei. Some investigation revealed that the worker had found two rounds of ammunition and disposed them in a nearby pit latrine. Following the investigation, the team carried out a Battle Area Clearance (BAC) visual search as a follow-up task and successfully cleared 3,345 square meters of the area. These clearances are in line with the UNMAS mandate to protect civilians from the dangers posed by explosive remnants of war.



In line with UNMAS's support to the operations of the Joint Border Verification and Monitoring Mechanism (JBVMM) and ensuring observance within the Safe Demilitarized Border Zone (SDBZ), the team regularly provides assistance to water delivery missions to Fanikan/Wunkur. This ongoing support is critical in maintaining operational efficiency and upholding the safety and security of the area, further contributing to the overall mission objectives.

"We are deeply grateful to UNISFA for their invaluable support in providing access to clean water. Without their assistance, our community would have to endure long and challenging journeys just to secure water" said a member of the South Sudan Unified Forces.

UNMAS Patrol Support Teams deploy together with the Ground Patrol Teams of the Joint Border Verification and Monitoring Mechanism, allowing those teams to move freely and protecting them against any explosive hazards that are encountered in the Safe Demilitarised Border Zone.

SAFEGUARDING CIVILIANS FROM EXPLOSIVE REMNANTS OF WAR IN ABYEI



SUPPORT TO THE JBVMM OPERATIONS



Fanikan water delivery in Abu Qussa



Ground Monitoring Mission in Tishwin

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