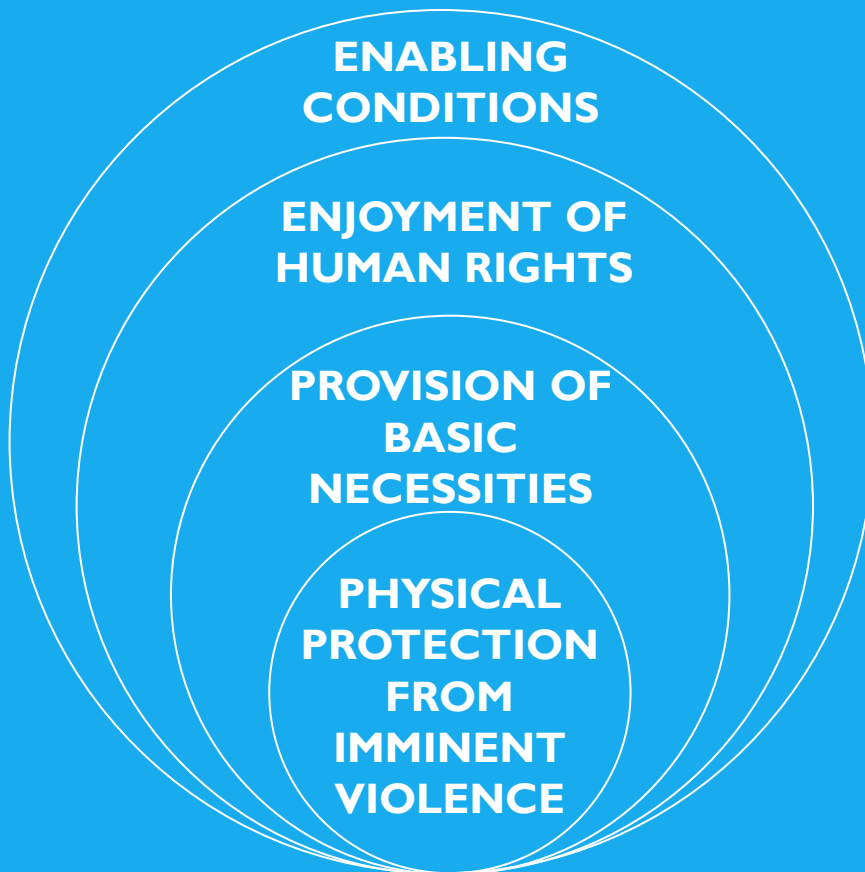




Unarmed Civilian Protection



WHAT WE DO

Unarmed Civilian Protection (UCP)

UCP refers to the use of unarmed civilians to directly protect civilians by preventing, reducing, and stopping violence through **deterrence** and **encouragement**.

UCP relies on dialogue, relationships, real-time analysis and understanding with all stakeholders including armed actors to effect changes that reduce violence and protect civilians.



NP GLOBAL FOOTPRINT

5 COUNTRY PROGRAMMES:

- IRAQ
- LEBANON
- SOUTH SUDAN
- MYANMAR
- PHILIPPINES

▪ **UNDER DEVELOPMENT:**

- BANGLADESH
- NIGERIA



HOW DOES UCP WORK?

PROTECT

Unarmed civilians, nationals and internationals, providing direct protection to civilians under threat of physical violence without resort to weapons.

SUPPORT

Supporting local civil society organizations and communities to better protect themselves build peace, and prevent further outbreaks of violence.

BUILD

Strengthening the capacity of existing protection mechanisms and local peace structures to sustain peace.



UCP IN PRACTICE

*NONVIOLENT
NONPARTISAN
PRIMACY OF LOCAL ACTORS*

- Specially trained professionals
- Full-time, 24/7
- Multi-national
- 50% women
- Over half from host country
- Strategic
- Adaptable
- Deeply immersed in community
- Cost-effective





Protective Accompaniment



CREATING SAFER SPACES



WOMEN'S PEACEKEEPING TEAMS



Protective Presence & Rumor Control

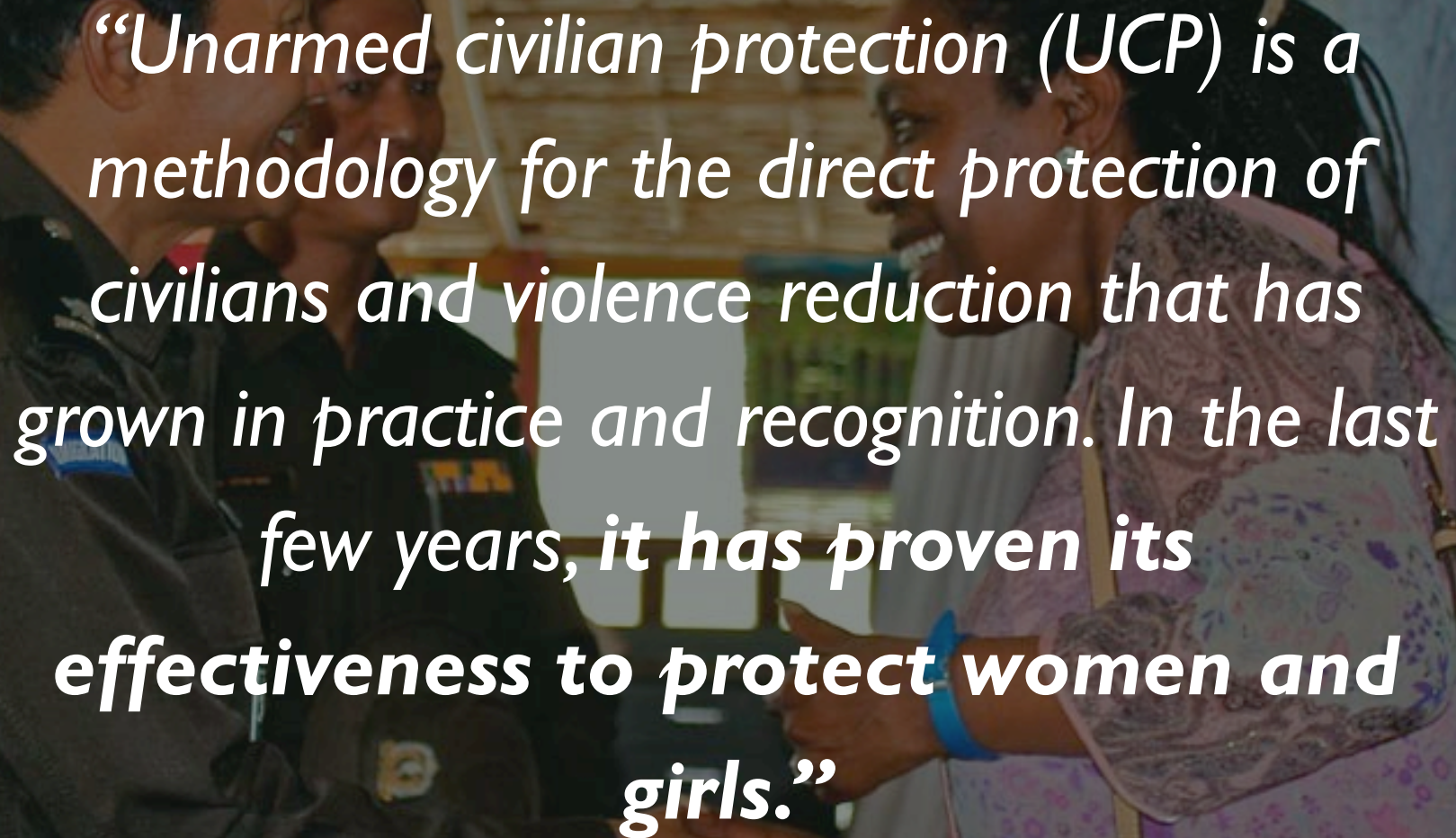
A group of people are gathered outdoors in a rural setting, likely for a community meeting or training session. A woman in an orange polo shirt and light-colored shorts stands in the center, addressing the group. Several men are seated on the ground around a large sheet of paper, some holding markers and looking at the paper. One man in a pink shirt is writing on the paper. The background shows a building with a red corrugated metal roof and a field of tall green crops, possibly corn. The ground is dirt. The overall scene suggests a community-based activity or training session.

Community Based Solutions

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Report by the UN High-level
Independent Panel on
Peace Operations (2015), page 37.



A photograph showing a man in a dark military uniform shaking hands with a woman in a purple patterned shirt. They are both smiling. In the background, other people are visible, including a woman in a white headscarf and a man in a light blue shirt. The image is overlaid with white text.

“Unarmed civilian protection (UCP) is a methodology for the direct protection of civilians and violence reduction that has grown in practice and recognition. In the last few years, it has proven its effectiveness to protect women and girls.”

**GLOBAL STUDY ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF
UNITED NATIONS SECURITY COUNCIL
RESOLUTION 1325 (2015), PAGE 153.**



