



## Press Release

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### **MINURCAT Explains Mandate to Chadians at Press Conference**

**N'Djamena, Chad** – The United Nations Mission in Central African Republic and Tchad (MINURCAT) organized a press conference today to explain its mandate to the population of Chad. The press conference, which was chaired by the Acting Head of Mission was the first organized by MINURCAT since its establishment by Security Council Resolution 1778 on 25 September 2007.

The Acting Head of Mission told the press that MINURCAT and EUFOR are two separate entities working together toward the same goal which is, “to contribute to protecting civilians in danger, particularly refugees and displaced persons” and “to facilitate the delivery of humanitarian aid and the free movement of humanitarian personnel by helping to improve security in the area of operations”.

He acknowledged that MINURCAT was tied down to the deployment of EUFOR without which, the Mission cannot undertake field activities in refugee camps. However, he said MINURCAT was carrying on with its work. For example, the Mission has just completed a Training of Trainers programme for 16 Chadian Police responsible for the training of the *Police tchadienne pour la protection humanitaire* (PTPH) to be deployed around refugee camps in Chad.

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