



**JUSTICE
RAPID
RESPONSE**

Fighting against Sexual Exploitation and Abuse



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THE ISSUE

Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (SEA) gravely undermines the integrity, credibility and efficiency of international justice, humanitarian and development efforts. The international community has only begun to understand and address the nature, forms, and repercussions of SEA. Swift, credible and impartial investigations of SEA allegations are a crucial aspect of ensuring justice for this form of sexual violence and deterring future incidents.

OUR SOLUTION

Justice Rapid Response provides non-governmental organizations, locally based civil society organizations, and international organizations with support for launching impartial and independent investigations in response to SEA allegations. Through its experts, it also recommends remedies and prevention efforts. Our stand-by roster includes experts who are trained to meet global best practices in human rights investigations, including investigations into sexual violence. Our investigators are able to swiftly and professionally conduct investigations into SEA while conforming to the highest professional standards and principles. All our experts have been trained to these standards concerning interviewing techniques, investigation protocol, and witness protection and wellbeing.

OUR APPROACH

Any organization seeking to respond to allegations of SEA – including through investigation, corrective measures and prevention – can contact Justice Rapid Response to request an investigator for an SEA investigation. This request can include specific criteria, including the language, gender and professional specialization of the expert. Justice Rapid Response will provide a selection of matching profiles from our roster, and the requesting entity has the option to select the expert. Justice Rapid Response works with the requesting entity to ensure that the investigation will protect the safety and well-being of all involved, and for the purpose of upholding accountability, justice and redress. Once deployed by Justice Rapid Response, the expert reports only and exclusively to the requesting entity and otherwise maintains confidentiality on the substance of their work.

HOW WE WORK

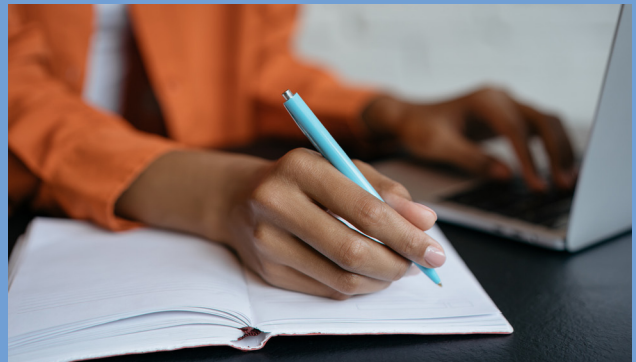
Justice Rapid Response offers a cost-effective model that enables organizations to access the expertise they need, as they need it. Organizations can contract roster experts in a variety of ways. The length of the deployment depends on the needs of the organization, the circumstances, and the complexity and location of the case. Deployments to conduct internal investigations (such as those involving SEA) can be as short as one week, or as long as six months, and can involve travel to the field.



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“ Let us declare in one voice: we will not tolerate anyone committing or condoning sexual exploitation and abuse... Let us make zero tolerance a reality ”

António Guterres,
United Nations Secretary-General



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A DEDICATED ROSTER

Justice Rapid Response (JRR) has certified 240 experts to the JRR-UN Women SGBV Justice Experts Roster based on their experience investigating and prosecuting sexual and gender-based violence.

They include investigators, prosecutors, legal analysts, witness management and protection experts, psychosocial counsellors, military analysts, and interpreters.

ABOUT JUSTICE RAPID RESPONSE



Justice Rapid Response is the only global facility that provides rapidly deployable specialized justice experts to assist with investigations of reported war crimes, genocide, crimes against humanity, and serious human rights violations. Justice Rapid Response deploys human rights and criminal justice professionals from a stand-by roster of more than **764 experts** comprising over **115 nationalities**, **102 languages**, **60% women** and **44% from the Global South**. Since 2009, Justice Rapid Response has deployed experts to more than **200 missions worldwide**.

CONTACT US

Requests for expertise will be handled confidentially. Provision of expertise to investigate SEA allegations are handled by Justice Rapid Response's International Justice Programme. You can contact the International Justice Programme through our Geneva secretariat.

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