

## Highlights JANUARY 2020

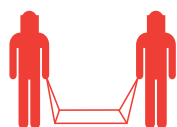


# 50.1 km

**ROUTES ASSESSED AND VERIFIED  
SAFE FROM EXPLOSIVE HAZARD**



**ASSAULT RIFLES DESTROYED**



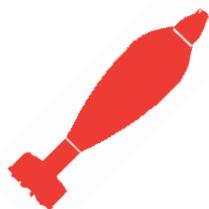
# 121,679 m<sup>2</sup>

**LAND ASSESSED BY CLEARANCE  
TEAMS AS FREE FROM EXPLOSIVES**



# 31

**UNISFA STAFF RECEIVED SAFETY TRAINING**



# 3

**EXPLOSIVE DEVICES  
FOUND AND DESTROYED**



# 26

**GROUND MONITORING MISSIONS  
CONDUCTED BY PATROL SUPPORT TEAMS**



# Field Story:

# Enabling UNISFA Force Mobility and Connecting People



UNMAS clearance team was tasked to conduct Route Assessment, Verification and Clearance (RAVC) of the shortcut route between Leu and Tajalei. After completing the RAVC activities, UNMAS also used its mechanical clearance asset fitted with a grader to significantly improve the quality of several parts of the roads which were in an impassible condition. Through this additional step, the 9.5 kilometer-long shortcut road provides easier access to both UNISFA and the community, as opposed to the previously-used 16.2 kilometer-long road. Opening of this road enabled and enhanced UNISFA's force mobility, increased rapid response and provided safe access for its patrols. Also, this enabled the UN Agencies, Funds and Programmes operating within Abyei area to more easily deliver humanitarian aid along the route.

In the period from 30 December 2019 to 19 January 2020, in order to complete this task successfully the team used a variety of equipment and techniques, such as manual demining, battle area clearance, mechanical ground preparation, non-technical survey, and explosive ordnance risk education.



Various clearance activities



Nyuat Bol, 62 years old, Leu village elder

"We are so happy about the opening of this road. Previously this was difficult as the other road was very long"

Kat Malual Miyol, 65 years old, Tajalei village chief

"This road has made life easier for us. I hope that UNISFA will increase patrols along this road, especially to the area of the water ponds about 4km along the road from Tajalei that has been a hot spot during the dry season when different groups bring their cattle for water."

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