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Addressing the humanitarian consequences of urban warfare in the midst of the hostilities

Robert Mood is a retired lieutenant general with extensive UN, National and NATO experience, currently President of the Norwegian Red Cross. During his military service in the Norwegian Army, he deployed to Lebanon within UNIFIL and Kosovo (KFOR and COMKFORs Command Group). Promoted to Brigadier, he took charge of the Combined Arms Training Centre in Norway. He was additionally appointed Head of Mission and Chief of Staff of UN Truce Supervision Organization with a regional role in the Middle East. From March 2012 to August 2012 Robert Mood established and headed the unarmed United Nations Supervision Mission on the ground in Syria during its 90 day mandated period to implement the six point proposal of Kofi Annan. While serving as head of UNTSO he was elected Dean of UN Force Commanders.



Amina Azimi is an Advocacy and Gender Officer at the Afghan Landmine Survivors' Organization (ALSO), in which he served as Executive Director in Kabul in 2015. Within the same organisation she also covered the position of project manager and community mobilizer in several programmes aimed at implementing the objectives of ALSO, namely promoting the rights and dignity of persons with disabilities by advocating the Afghan decision makers to implement the victim assistance provisions of the Mine Ban Treaty and domestic laws and policies, and apply the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities and Convention on Cluster Munitions.



Caroline Baudot is the Deputy Head of the Protection of Civilians Unit in ICRC based in Geneva. She advises ICRC delegations on their operational protection response during conflicts. Prior to joining ICRC, Caroline was in Iraq from 2016 to 2019 during the Mosul operations where, in her last position with the Center for Civilians in Conflict, she analyzed the Iraqi security forces' efforts and challenges to protect civilians during their operations against ISg in urban areas, based on interviews with Iraqi and Coalition forces and civilians. From 2011 to 2017, Caroline was with Oxfam, based in several conflict and protection crises including Chad, Mali, DRC, Burundi, Lebanon, Jordan, Iraq, the Philippines and Nepal. She previously focused on human rights and international justice issues, working with Amnesty International, the Coalition for the International Criminal Court, Human Rights Watch and Crisis Action in London, New York and Paris.



Nancy Polutan-Teulieres is a lawyer by training who began her career with the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) more than 15 years ago. Since then, she has been working mainly on legal protection and operational issues in Asia, Africa, and Europe. Since 2016, she has been working in the Division of International Protection, UNHCR Headquarters and she is currently working with the Global Protection Cluster operations cell. As the Senior Protection Officer, she is leading the Policy and Standard Setting Pillar and providing field support to protection cluster operations in Africa, Asia and the Americas.



Michael von Bertele was a military doctor for 35 years, retiring as Director General of the UK Army Medical Services in 2012. He served on operations in Northern Ireland, the Falkland Islands, the Balkans, and the Middle East, and from 2003 to 2012 he was variously responsible for medical planning in the Ministry of Defence, for the training and deployment of all military medical personnel, and for the assurance of the complete care pathway for injured personnel from point of wounding, evacuation and through all levels of hospital care and rehabilitation. After leaving the Army he worked for two years as Humanitarian Director for Save the Children International, and in 2014 he led their Ebola response in West Africa, supervising the establishment of the DFID funded ebola treatment centre at Kerry Town in Sierra Leone. In 2015, during the liberation in Mosul, he worked with Aspen Medical to deliver surgical and obstetric support to the civilian population. He is currently leading the Paediatric Blast Injury Project, aiming to build a consensus on how to improve the care of children injured in conflict in low resource settings.

