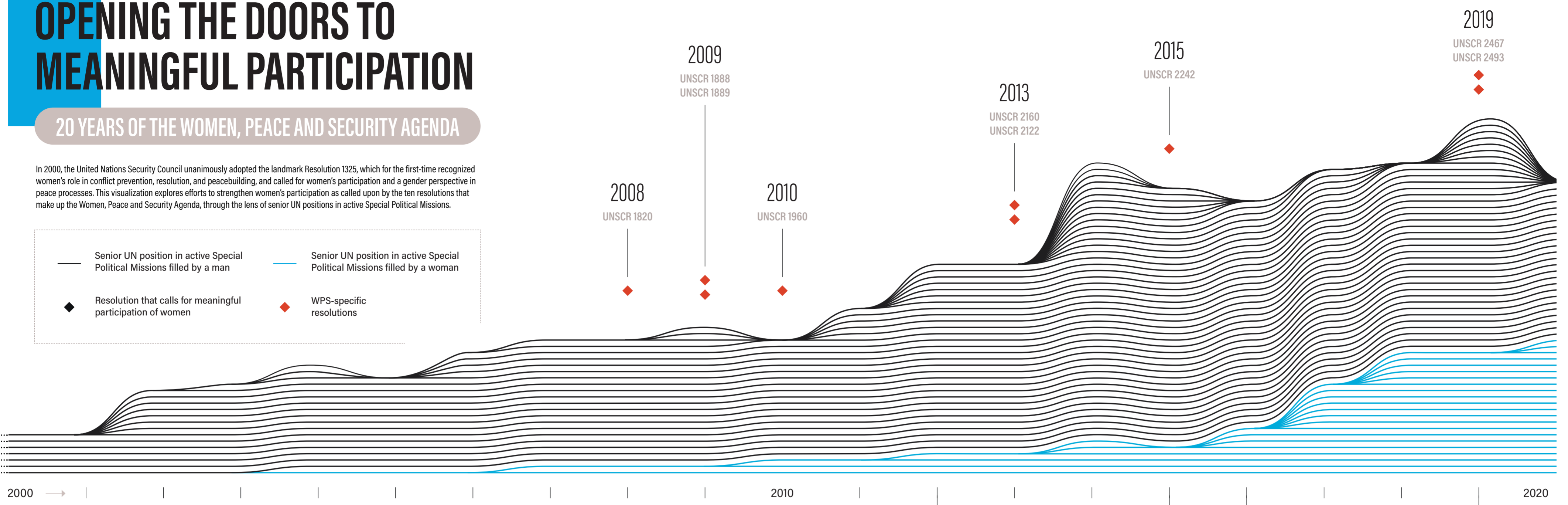


OPENING THE DOORS TO MEANINGFUL PARTICIPATION

20 YEARS OF THE WOMEN, PEACE AND SECURITY AGENDA

In 2000, the United Nations Security Council unanimously adopted the landmark Resolution 1325, which for the first-time recognized women's role in conflict prevention, resolution, and peacebuilding, and called for women's participation and a gender perspective in peace processes. This visualization explores efforts to strengthen women's participation as called upon by the ten resolutions that make up the Women, Peace and Security Agenda, through the lens of senior UN positions in active Special Political Missions.

- Senior UN position in active Special Political Missions filled by a man
- Senior UN position in active Special Political Missions filled by a woman
- ◆ Resolution that calls for meaningful participation of women
- ◆ WPS-specific resolutions



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2000

UNSCR 1325

"Reaffirming the important role of women in the prevention and resolution of conflicts and in peace-building, and stressing the importance of their equal participation and full involvement in all efforts for the maintenance and promotion of peace and security, and the need to increase their role in decision-making with regard to conflict prevention and resolution"

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Urges the Secretary-General to appoint more women as special representatives and envoys to pursue good offices on his behalf, and in this regard calls on Member States to provide candidates to the Secretary-General, for inclusion in a regularly updated centralized roster"

WHAT DPPA IS DOING

The Department of Political and Peacebuilding Affairs (DPPA) manages UN Special Political Missions (SPMs) engaged in conflict prevention, peacemaking and peacebuilding around the world. These field operations include country-specific missions and regional offices. They are headed by senior representatives of the UN Secretary-General and provide a forward platform for inclusive preventive diplomacy efforts and other activities across a range of disciplines, helping prevent and resolve conflict and supporting complex political transitions. This work is done in coordination with national actors, including women's groups, and UN development and humanitarian entities on the ground. DPPA also provides guidance and support to traveling Envoys and Special Advisers of the Secretary-General who bring his "good offices" to bear in the service of conflict resolution or in the implementation of other UN mandates.

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This data visualization provides an overview of gender-distribution of senior mission leadership in current DPPA field presences from January 2000 to August 2020. Data includes temporary appointments for existing SPMs. It does not include closed SPMs that have terminated mandates.

For more information on the data and other data-powered storytelling of the WPS achievements through the lens of peacemaking, head to *Behind the Numbers* at www.WPS1325.org.

2012

UNSCR 2033

On cooperation between the United Nations and regional and subregional organizations including the African Union

Stresses: "the need for the United Nations and the African Union to work to ensure that women and gender perspectives are fully integrated into all peace and security efforts undertaken by the two organizations"

2015

UNSCR 2254

On the situation in the Middle East: Syria

Encourages: "the meaningful participation of women in the UN-facilitated political process for Syria"

2016

UNSCR 2282

On peacebuilding

Encourages: "the Secretary-General to promote the gender dimensions of peacebuilding, including through the delivery of gender-sensitive and targeted programming, through the strengthening of women's meaningful participation in peacebuilding, supporting women's organizations and through monitoring, tracking and reporting achievement"

2019

UNSCR 2489

On the situation in Afghanistan

Supports: "the importance of gender equality and women's and girls' empowerment, education, human rights, and full, safe, equal, effective and meaningful participation, engagement and leadership of women in all levels of decision-making, including in peace talks and overall peacebuilding strategies at the national and subnational level."

