



**MULTI-DONOR TRUST FUND FOR
UN ACTION AGAINST SEXUAL VIOLENCE IN CONFLICT¹**

INTERIM NARRATIVE REPORT COVER PAGE

Participating UN Organization(s): UNDP, UNFPA	Project² Title: Supports efforts to consolidate gains in the fight against and prevention of CRSV in Côte d'Ivoire
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UN Action pillar of activity: <input type="checkbox"/> Advocacy <input type="checkbox"/> Knowledge building <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Support to UN system at country level	Reporting Period: January to April 2019
Project Budget: 293 830 USD	

List Implementing Partners: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ministère de la Justice et des Droits de l'Homme • Ministère de la Femme, de la Famille et de l'Enfant • National Commission on Human Rights • National Committee to Combat Conflict-Related Sexual Violence 	Project Coverage/Scope: National
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¹ Only relevant if project is more than one fiscal year (i.e. 1 January - 31 December)

² The term "project" is used for projects, programmes and joint programmes

Project Duration/Closed Project:

- Provide the project duration: 12 months (1st January 2019 – 31 december 2019).
- Report on budget revisions and extensions and provide the new dates.
- Indicate if the project has been operationally closed during the reporting period : No.

INTERIM NARRATIVE REPORT FORMAT

In 2017 an initial UN Action project to strengthen the coordination of UN initiatives in Côte d'Ivoire to combat gender-based violence, including sexual violence in conflict situations, was developed with an estimated budget of US \$293,830. The project met some difficulties to start up because of the financing gap to fund the P4 position within the RC Office to coordinate the program activities. In addition, two national experts deployed by the United Nations Team of Experts on Rule of Law / Sexual Violence in Conflict (TOE), since March 2017, have already carried out most of the UN Action project's activities. Given the current coordination challenges of CRSV activities and the need to consolidate and sustain the achievements of the United Nations Team of Experts, the Special Representative of General Secretary in charge of Sexual Violence in Conflict decided to transfer this fund to the team of two national experts.

While this project aims at consolidating the progress achieved in the past years, it also aims at developing an early warning mechanism on conflict-related sexual violence, particularly in light of the potential risks associated with the 2020 presidential elections. The project also aims to share experiences and lessons learned from countries in the region undergoing similar experiences and situations.

I. Purpose

This project falls under UN Action's Country Level Action pillar by contributing to "*strategic and technical support to joint UN system efforts to prevent and respond to sexual violence in conflict, including efforts to build capacity and train advisers on conflict-related sexual violence.*" The project seeks to improve coordination between UN agencies and accountability; amplify programming and advocacy; support national efforts to prevent sexual violence; and respond effectively to the needs of survivors.

The project also respond to the objective of the Advocating for Action pillar by raising public awareness and helping to generate political will to address sexual violence.

- **Outcome 1: The national institutions remain engaged and are aware of their role in the consolidation and sustainability of all achievement in the fight against CRSV**

Output 1.1: The triennial action plan of the National Committee to Combat Conflict-Related Sexual Violence is implemented efficiently and effectively.

Activities:

- 1) Monitor "zero tolerance" focal points on CRSV deployed in military regions;
- 2) Capacity building on the prevention and response to conflict-related sexual violence for the military, gendarmes, policemen, customs officers, Water and Forestry agents;
- 3) Support the implementation of CRSV modules into training curricula in military schools.

Output 1.2: Continue technical support to national institutions in the fight against CRSV

Activities:

- 1) Validation of sexual violence training curricula in gendarmerie schools of Abidjan and Daloa
- 2) Capacity building of the Gendarmerie / Police investigating officers on the investigation and documentation of crimes of sexual violence
- 3) Support the integrated multi-service centres for survivors of Sexual Violence such as gender desks, and centres managed by partners of the Ministry of the woman, family and child
- 4) Strengthening the capacity of the media for the appropriation and popularization of the achievements of the fight against sexual violence

- **Outcome 2:** National actors understanding of warnings and responses on sexual violence are reinforced and are capable to design appropriate and timely responses in case of future outbreak or emergence of conflict

Output 2.1: National early warning mechanism on CRSV involving all the national stakeholders is conceptualized

Activities:

- 1) Provide advice and technical assistance to local and regional actors (GBV Platforms, NGOs, Zero Tolerance against CRSV Focal Points, Gender Focal Points) to develop CRSV early warning mechanisms;
- 2) Encourage/Support the National Council on Human Rights to integrate specific CRSV indicators in the collection and analysis of data to monitor the emergence / occurrence of conflicts.

Output 2.2: The CNDHCI, as well as local and regional SGBV actors effectively use the early warning mechanism on CRSV.

Activities

- 1) Provide advice and technical assistance to local and regional actors (GBV Platforms, NGOs, Zero Tolerance against CRSV Focal Points, Gender Focal Points) to develop a CRSV early warning mechanisms and synergy of CRSV by armed forces/police;
- 2) Validation/Consultation workshop with military focal points from Central Africa Republic (CAR), Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) and Mali for exchange of good practices/challenges and validation of training materials, with the participation of KAIPTC (Ghana) and Ecole de Maintien de la Paix – EMP (Mali)

- **Outcome 3: The capacities of African countries in conflict or post-conflict situations facing CRSV are reinforced and their national institution are able to benefit of good practices and lessons learned related to the experience of Ivorian defense and security forces**

Output 3.1: South-South cooperation on the prevention and response to CRSV is enhanced, through experience sharing with regional training institutions.

Activities

- 1) In collaboration with regional training institutions, elaboration of training materials for armed forces for the prevention of CRSV;
- 2) Delivery of trainings of specific modules on CRSV to members of armed forces from the region in KAIPTC-Accra and EMP- Bamako

Output 3.2: National Capacity of defense forces in the region to prevent and response CRSV is enhanced

Activities

- 1) In consultation with the Office of the SRSG-SVC, and with potential support from International Organization of Francophonie, co-organize regional workshop with Central Africa Republic (CAR), Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) and Mali to exchange good practices and challenges in implementation of Joint Communiqué/Action Plans on preventing and responding to CRSV through military to military dialogue;
- 2) Develop lessons learned/good practice document on engaging security sector to combat CRSV that will inform guidelines sponsored by African Union;

II. Resources

The expenses January to March 2019 are reflected below:

Activity : ACTIVITY 4		(RENF LUTTE VIOLENCE SEXUELLE)			
Fund : 30000 (PROGRAMME COST SHARING)					
71405 - Service Contracts-Individuals	0.00	22,878.30	0.00	0.00	22,878.30
71410 - MAIP Premium SC	0.00	9.78	0.00	0.00	9.78
71415 - Contribution to Security SC	0.00	862.91	0.00	0.00	862.91
72425 - Mobile Telephone Charges	0.00	80.37	0.00	0.00	80.37
74112 - Accounting related Fees	0.00	626.11	0.00	0.00	626.11
74210 - Printing and Publications	0.00	62.43	0.00	0.00	62.43
75105 - Facilities & Admin - Implement	0.00	1,399.22	0.00	0.00	1,399.22
75705 - Learning costs	0.00	7,172.85	0.00	0.00	7,172.85
76125 - Realized Loss	0.00	1.27	0.00	0.00	1.27
Total for Fund 30000	0.00	33,093.24	0.00	0.00	33,093.24
Total for Activity ACTIVITY 4	0.00	33,093.24	0.00	0.00	33,093.24

III. Implementation and Monitoring Arrangements

The monitoring of the situation is continuous. To this day, no case of CRSV has been reported.

IV. Results

As provided in the Annual Work Plan 2019, the activities introduced in the first trimester were about prevention and response. The United Nations Team of Experts (TOE) :

- Provided a technical support for the workshop for the annual review 2018 of the operational coordinators for the fight against sexual violence related to conflict of the « Comité National de Lutte contre les Violences sexuelles liées au conflit » on 19 February 2019.
- Contributed to the elaboration and validation of the draft Joint Ministerial decree related to the creation, organization and functioning of the Gender Desk for their institutional anchoring, on 26 and 27 February 2018.
- Reinforced capacities about sexual violence of 47 peer educators among defense and security forces' units of the first Military Region of Abidjan, on 20 and 21 March 2019

- Strengthened the capacities of 25 Judiciary Police Officers of the Gendarmerie about investigation and documentation methods for crimes of sexual violence nature, from the 27 to the 29 March 2019 at Agboville;
- Organized a workshop for the elaboration and harmonization of curricula and training tools about the response to give to sexual violence, including violence related to conflicts, in collaboration with UNFPA, from the 15 to the 18 April 2019 at Grand Bassam
- Participated in three monthly meetings of the joint-mechanism (FACI- CNDHCI-UNDP) for the follow-up of cases of human right violations including: CRSV, women's rights and child protection attributed to the military.

V. Future Work Plan

The activities continue as indicated in the proposal. An estimated cost for each of the activities will be provided to you. For the moment, no difficulty arises in the execution of programmed activities.