

# CONDUCT & Discipline team

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Sensitization session with neighbourhood chiefs in Gao, April 2014

## {CDT} ACTIVITIES In the regions

In this second quarterly newsletter, CDT would like to introduce to you its activities outside Bamako. CDT travelled to Gao and Timbuktu to meet with partners and colleagues and discussed different aspects of prevention activities.

• CDT trained MINUSMA personnel on the UN Standards of Conduct, such as Sexual Exploitation and Abuse in Bamako (888), Timbuktu (374), and Gao (645).

• CDT also organized sensitization sessions for local communities including religious and neighborhood leaders, schools, local NGOs, and local authorities.

# **"EDITOR'S NOTE"**

Working in the Northern regions of Mali is at the core of MINUSMA's Mandate. As the deployment of military, civilian and police components continues to increase, the Conduct and Discipline Team (CDT) will pursue its sensitization efforts in these areas.

#### Anne Favreau, Chief CDT

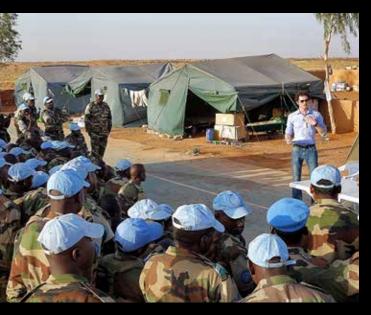


UNPOL officers in training, Bamako, April 2014

# **INTERVIEW** Francisco osler, Gao head of office.

■ I believe it is very important that CDT, in addition to dealing with UN personnel, approaches not only the host community, but also the UN's local and international partners based in Gao. This interaction can promote a better understanding of the UN values we are governed by and can eventually help address concrete cases of misconduct should they take place

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Training with Niger contingent in Ansongo, April 2014

• To increase efficiency of sensitization activities, CDT had established a mechanism of "training of trainers" to provide in-depth training to civilian and uniformed personnel. The newly trained colleagues will in return be responsible to carry out conduct and discipline sensitization activities.

What value do you see in CDT's multidimensional presence of MINUSMA in Gao (to UN personnel and to the local population)?

# **OUR ONGOING ACTIVITIES**

Conduct and Discipline Training sessions were held in Bamako, Gao, Timbuktu, for personnel from all MINUSMA components. Below are the overall, numbers of participants:

	М	F	Total
Civilian	668	237	905
Military	1552	20	1572
Police	540	49	589
Other	87	24	111
Total	2847	330	3177

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## UNIVERSITY DIALOGUE Project

In cooperation with other sections, CDT participates in dialogue activities between MINUSMA and a selected number of universities in Bamako. The goal is to initiate dialogue with students, in the context of MINUSMA's mandate, and to focus on the role of reconciliation in achieving sustainable peace. CDT will complement this initiative by giving awareness on the United Nations Standards of Conduct, especially those relating to Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (SEA), and highlighting the importance of such standards in the overall peace process.



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In-country network for Protection from Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (PSEA) and cooperation with the Senior Women Protection Advisor on Conflict Related Sexual Violence

MINUSMA continues to cooperate with a country-wide Network which coordinates and oversees activities with regards to the prevention of SEA involving all categories of UN personnel. Currently, the Network is focusing on developing a reference system to provide support and assistance to victims, and is also establishing Minimum Standards for all members of the Network. CDT is also working with the Senior Women Protection Advisor on addressing and mainstreaming issues related to Conflict Related Sexual Violence through ongoing training, outreach and sensitization programmes both within the Mission and local communities throughout Mali.

## MISCONDUCT

How to report allegations of misconduct?

- Make sure these are not false allegations;Report to CDT as soon as the incidents
- occur; and
- •Provide as many details as possible.

#### Useful documents & other tools

•MINUSMA Code of Conduct, August 2013

•ST/SGB/2003/13 Special measures for protection from sexual exploitation and abuse

•ST/SGB/2008/5 Prohibition of discrimination, harassment, including sexual harassment, and abuse of authority •«To Serve with Pride»: A film aiming at sensitizing on sexual exploitation and abuse and its impact on individuals and communities: http://www.pseataskforce.org/





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