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**ALLEGATIONS MADE AGAINST UKRAINIAN SOLDIERS IN RELATION TO THE
DEATH OF MS KOROMA**

Freetown – A local daily has published, on 8 April 2004, a headline seeming to implicate Ukrainian soldiers in the recent death of a Ms. Fanta Koroma, on the basis of a statement from the National Youth Coalition' (NYC). Any suggestion of peacekeepers being involved in this tragic incident is alarming and premature, as it is too early at this stage to know what actually happened and who was involved. UNAMSIL is fully cooperating with the Sierra Leone Police (SLP) investigations into this matter, to ensure that those responsible are identified and brought to justice and is in close contact with the SLP to this effect.

It is advisable to refrain from any speculation until the investigation activities of the SLP and UNAMSIL Civil and Military Police are concluded and findings made available.

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