

COTE D'IVOIRE
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RULES/GENERAL LAWS

General	<p>1/ Reference documents</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Military Procedure Code (Code de Procédure Militaire - 1974) https://www.droitivoirien.info/files/4.20.34.-Loi-du-24-juillet-1974_Code-procedure-militaire.pdf - The Penal Code http://loidici.org/loi/2018/08/20/le-code-penal/ - The Regulation of General Discipline (Code de la fonction militaire - 2016) http://loidici.org/loi/2018/08/23/le-code-de-la-fonction-militaire/lois-article-par-article/codes/ - The Military Code of Ethics (Code d'éthique et de déontologie militaire) - The Geneva Conventions and their Additional Protocols <p>2/ The United Nations regulations on the prevention of sexual exploitation and abuse are taken into account by the military leadership. In fact, training and sensitization are regularly conducted before deployment of troops; brochures, code of behaviour and soldiers cards are delivered. Furthermore, Zero Tolerance focal points support contingents so that to ensure sexual misconduct are not committed.</p> <p>3/ Military personnel involved in external operations are taken into account in the headcount of the Armed Forces of Côte d'Ivoire.</p>
SEA: military offence?	Even though it is not categorized as a military misconduct, sexual violence is penalized by the military justice as penal, because it is considered as a crime. It should be stressed that the Military Code of Ethics advises against any sexual behaviour with or without financial counterpart.
Powers of the Commanding Officer (CO)	The Commanding Officer had administrative, investigative and disciplinary powers.

INVESTIGATION

Who can investigate?	Legal police officers of the contingent are in charge of investigating.
National Investigation Officer (NIO)	National investigation officers are deployed with units.

PROSECUTION

Referral	Legal police officers report on investigations to appropriate authorities on the matter.
Who can charge?	Any victim of sexual exploitation and abuse can make a complaint. Appropriate authorities on the matter can prosecute the perpetrators.

JUSTICE

Military justice	Côte d'Ivoire has a military justice system as covered in the Military Procedure Code .
Deployable Court Martial?	The Armed Forces of Côte d'Ivoire do not have deployable court martial.

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