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#### UNOCI REPELS ATTACK BY GBAGBO'S SPECIAL FORCES

**Abidjan, 2 April 2011...** A patrol of the United Nations Operation in Côte d'Ivoire (UNOCI) was attacked by forces loyal to Mr. Laurent Gbagbo in the Cocody neighbourhood of Abidjan on Friday. An exchange of fire ensued during which five elements of the Special Forces were hit. None of UNOCI's troops was injured.

UNOCI wishes to remind all concerned that its peacekeepers are operating under Chapter 7 of the United Nations Charter, which authorises the use of force when under attack.

UNOCI would also like to reiterate that it does not wish to have a confrontation with any of the Ivorian forces.

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