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## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **PRO-GBAGBO FORCES READY TO END COMBAT**

**Abidjan, 5 April 2011...** This Tuesday morning, 5 April 2011, the United Nations Operation in Côte d'Ivoire (UNOCI) received three telephone calls from Ivorian personalities to say that an order to stop fighting was being given to the elements of the Defence and Security Forces of Côte d'Ivoire (FDSCI), including the Special Forces. The elements were also ordered to hand in their weapons to UNOCI forces and to ask for their protection.

The three personalities are General Philippe Mangou, Chief of Staff of the Defence and Security Forces, General Thiape Kassarate Edouard, Commander of the National Gendarmerie and General Bruno Dogbo Blé, Commander of the Republican Guard.

UNOCI has given orders to its troops to receive arms wherever they are handed in and to offer protection to disarmed FDSCI elements, including the Special Forces.

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