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#### ***IMPARTIAL FORCES PREPARE PRESIDENT OUATTARA'S INVESTITURE***

**Abidjan, 10 May 2011...** As part of the regular meeting of generals of the Impartial and national forces, UNOCI's Force Commander, Major-General Gnakoudé Béréna, today took part in a working session on the investiture ceremony of the President of the Republic of Côte d'Ivoire, scheduled to be held on 21 May 2011 in Yamoussoukro

"We wanted to discuss together the different security aspects for this event because the Impartial and Ivorian forces will be working together to provide security," said General Soumaila Bakayoko, the former Chief of Staff of the Armed Forces of the Forces Nouvelles (FAFN). "The Impartial Forces, in accordance with their capacity, will take an active part in the security provisions which will be put in place," General Bakayoko added.

General Béréna, the chief of UNOCI police, Jean-Marie Bourry and the Commander of the Force Licorne, General Jean-Pierre Palasset, participated in the meeting which was also attended by Generals Philippe Mangou and Michel Gueu, as well as the chief of the Ivorian police, Brindou Mbia and the deputy Commander of the National Gendarmerie, General Afro Raphael.

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