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GUINEAN BATTALION STARTS TROOP ROTATION

Freetown – Guinean Battalion (GUINBATT) 2 serving with the United Nations Mission in Sierra Leone (UNAMSIL) has started rotating its peacekeepers to replace troops who have completed their tour of duty. The incoming battalion will travel by road from Conakry, Guinea, to the town of Masiaka in western Sierra Leone.

The exercise, which is expected to continue until 25 August, will involve the use of military vehicles. Members of the general public are kindly advised not to panic as a result of this mass movement of troops across the Guinea-Sierra Leone border over the scheduled period.

Troop rotation is a normal exercise for peacekeepers who have completed their tour of duty in the Mission. The rotation of GUINBATT is being carried out by road because of proximity and for administrative convenience.