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### **Attempted robbery at ONUB military base leads to the death of one person**

**Bujumbura, Burundi** – Around three o'clock on Wednesday (05 April 2006) three people, one of them armed with a gun, attempted to enter the ONUB military base near the Bujumbura International Airport, where equipment of the departing contingents is being kept, including some of the assets recently brought from the regions.

The sentinels guarding the base summoned them to stop. They did not obey and shot at the UN military, who returned fire, killing one of them.

As soon as ONUB leadership learned about the incident, it informed the government of Burundi. A joint investigation was undertaken, confirming the facts.

While deeply regretting this unfortunate incident, ONUB underscores that it should not have happened, had people not tried to force their way into the base with the intention of stealing UN property.

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