



IMPARTIAL FORCES LAUNCH AWARENESS CAMPAIGN FOR CHILDREN ON UXOS

The Impartial Forces (UNOCI and the Force Licorne) have launched a programme aimed at sensitizing children to the risks inherent to unexploded ordnance (UXOs) following an incident that cost the lives of two children on the 10th of July in Diegalfla, a village in the commune of Gohitafla, 150 km northeast of Daloa.

A presentation on the dangers of UXOs by teams of specialists from UNOCI and the Force Licorne marked the start of the programme. The presentation was given in the central town of Bouaké on the 31st of August to institutions that take care of children.

Illustrated by a poster bearing the inscription “Danger! Ne Touche Pas! [“Danger! Don’t touch!”] the two-hour presentations demonstrate ways in which children can be made aware of the risks linked to UXOs through the use of models and concrete examples.

The programme is being implemented throughout Côte d’Ivoire, but priority will be given to areas that saw fighting. Aimed at preventing people from being killed or maimed by unexploded ordnance, it is of unlimited duration and will be adapted to the needs of organizations that work with children.





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